

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER  
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION  
MARCH 21, 2023 AGENDA**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Action Required:</b>	<b>Approved By:</b>
<p>An ordinance revising Section 30-43 (a) (2) a. Driveways.</p> <p><b>Submitted By:</b></p> <p>Planning &amp; Development Department</p>	<p>√ <b>Ordinance</b> Resolution</p>	<p>Bruce T. Moore City Manager</p>
<b>SYNOPSIS</b>	Revision to the section of the City Code that addresses the layout and dimensioning of residential driveways.	
<b>FISCAL IMPACT</b>	None.	
<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	Approval of the ordinance.	
<b>BACKGROUND</b>	<p>On May 19, 2020, the Board of Directors passed Ordinance No. 21,867, which modified the maximum width for a residential driveway to have an exemption based on distance from the garage or carport to the right-of-way. Prior to this exception, all residential driveways should not exceed twenty (20) feet. The exception stated the twenty (20)-foot width limitation should not apply to a paved driveway to a garage or carport, provided the paved driveway did not exceed the width of the garage or carport and the distance from the right-of-way to the entrance of the garage or carport was less than fifty (50) feet. Limit to two (2) car garages.</p> <p>Since that time, staff has received multiple requests to permit residential driveways that exceed the two (2)-car garage exception limitation. Most of the request are for a three (3)-car garage layout. With the number of those request increasing, while taking into consideration that lot widths vary, staff is proposing to revise the Section to allow widths based on percentage of total street lot frontage.</p>	

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It is staff's belief that this change would accommodate the increased request for larger garages, while also taking into consideration the older part of the City where lot widths are fifty (50) feet in general. The change would set a maximum residential lot width to 40% of the street frontage, not to exceed thirty-two (32) feet, whichever is more restrictive. This would allow for three (3)-car garages for lot widths more than seventy-five (75) feet of street frontage.