

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 53-24-01
of the
City Manager

EMERGENCY AMENDMENT OF REGULATIONS FOR ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE BUILDING, FIRE AND OTHER TECHNICAL CODES ADMINISTRATIVE RULE R-8.005 ADOPTED BY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 53-23-03-F.

The City Manager of the City of Eugene finds that:

A. Pursuant to the authority contained in Section 2.019 and subsection (1) of Section 8.005 of the Eugene Code, 1971 (EC), Regulations for Administration and Enforcement of the Building, Fire and Other Technical Codes Administrative Rule R-8.005 was adopted by Administrative Order No. 53-23-03-F on November 6, 2023.

B. EC 2.019(6) authorizes the City Manager to adopt emergency rules that adopt, amend, or suspend a Rule without prior notice or hearing.

C. Due to economic factors and other challenges effecting development, it is necessary to adopt an emergency amendment to Administrative Rule R-8.005 to grant additional time for building permit applicants to complete the process of obtaining their permits.

D. High construction material costs, financing costs, market uncertainty, supply-chain issues in critical industries, and availability of contractors and subcontractors have greatly increased the risks associated with development and caused permit applicants to reanalyze and delay moving forward with their projects.

E. A failure to adopt this amendment promptly will result in serious prejudice to Eugene property owners and those in the building trades who are temporarily unable to move forward with building permit applications as they originally intended within the timeline described in the Administrative Rule because, without this amendment, those parties would be required to go through a costly re-application process. Providing additional extension requests will allow housing and other permits related to economic recovery to remain viable.

NOW, THEREFORE, based upon the above findings and pursuant to the authority in subsection (6) of Section 2.019 of the Eugene Code, 1971, I order that the amendment to Section R-8.005-B(3)(e)1 of Rule R-8.005 shown in legislative format below shall become effective immediately and remain in effect for a period of 180 days from the date this Order is signed unless replaced earlier by an emergency rule, temporary rule, or permanent rule adopted in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.019 of the Eugene Code, 1971.

**EMERGENCY AMENDMENT TO ADMINISTRATIVE RULE R-8.005
REGULATIONS FOR ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE
BUILDING, FIRE AND OTHER TECHNICAL CODES**

R-8.005-B PERMITS.

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(3) Determination and Issuance of Permits

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(e) Expiration.

1. Permit Applications. Applications for which no permit is issued within 360 days following the date of application shall automatically expire, and plans and other data submitted for review may thereafter be destroyed by the City. The Building Official may extend the time for action by the applicant for a period not exceeding 180 days upon request by the applicant. No application shall be extended more than ~~one~~ **twice**. In order to renew action on an application after expiration, the applicant shall resubmit plans and may be subject to a new plan review fee.

Dated this 24th day of January, 2024.



Sarah Medary
City Manager

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