

STAFF REPORT

Date: January 22, 2025

To: Mayor and City Council

Through: Jackie Bryant, City Manager

Subject: Ordinance Adoption - Bill No. 7285 (For Possible Action): An Ordinance to repeal Title 8, Chapter 8.12 section 8.12.030 of the Reno Municipal Code entitled “Camping on public property in the Truckee River corridor”; and other matters properly relating thereto.

From: Brian Sooudi, Deputy City Attorney

Department: City Attorney’s Office

Summary: Staff is recommending this ordinance repeal because it is being replaced with the new Reno Municipal Code of Title 8, Chapter 8.12 “Offenses Against Public Peace,” Section 8.12.011 entitled “Sitting, lying, sleeping or camping on a public place including but not limited to sidewalks, streets, alleys, sensitive areas or within doorways prohibited.” Leaving the old laws on the books would create redundancy and confusion for the general public.

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

Public Safety

Infrastructure, Climate Change, and Environmental Sustainability

Previous Council Action:

December 11, 2024 - Council meeting, staff provided a presentation and ordinance repeals. Council referred the ordinance repeals.

Discussion:

The proposed ordinance pertains to repealing Reno Municipal Codes in Title 8, Chapter 8.12 “Offenses Against Public Peace,” including Section 8.12.030 “Camping on Public Property in the Truckee River Corridor” due to it being replaced by a new ordinance in Title 8, Chapter 8.12 “Offenses Against Public Peace,” Section 8.12.011 entitled “Sitting, lying, sleeping or camping on a public place including but not limited to sidewalks, streets, alleys, sensitive areas or within doorways prohibited.” The new law addresses this issue in one concise ordinance. The new law

still bans camping along the Truckee River. Upon passage of the new law, this law becomes redundant in the Reno Municipal Code. Staff recommends repealing this ordinance to better assist the general public in understanding what is a violation of code and to eliminate any potential conflicts in the law.

Financial Implications:

None at this time.

Legal Implications:

Legal review completed for compliance with City procedures and Nevada law.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends Council adopt Bill No. 7285.

Proposed Motion:

I move to approve staff the recommendation.

Attachments:

Title 8, Chapter 8.12 Camping on Truckee River Repeal