

City Council

Approval of Ordinance Amending Olympia
Municipal Code (OMC) Chapter 9.24 Relating to
Crimes Against Public Decency by Adopting
the Crime of Indecent Exposure Pursuant to
RCW 9.88.010

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Recommended Action Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve on second reading the proposed ordinance amending OMC Chapter 9.24 Relating to Crimes Against Public Decency by Adopting the Crime of Indecent Exposure Pursuant to RCW 9.88.010.

Report

Issue:

Whether to approve the proposed ordinance.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item.

Background and Analysis:

Background and analysis have not changed from first to second reading.

The City of Olympia has seen an increase in the arrest of offenders for lewd conduct whose actions would constitute indecent exposure pursuant to RCW 9A.88.101. The creation of a municipal ordinance for indecent exposure which mirrors RCW 9A.88.101 will permit a potential enhanced sentence if the person is again arrested and subsequently convicted of similar conduct in the future.

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Those who engage in indecent exposure often have higher risks of reoffending and triggers of sexual deviance so as to justify an enhanced sentence upon second and subsequent convictions of indecent exposure.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

There is an inherent interest in protecting the public's safety and appropriately holding accountable sexual offenders who engage in acts of public indecency.

Options:

- 1. Adopt the proposed ordinance.
- 2. Direct staff to modify the proposed ordinance.
- 3. Do not adopt the proposed ordinance.

Financial Impact:

None.

Attachments:

Proposed ordinance RCW 9.88.010