

Legislation Text

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SUBJECT:

Approval of the second and final reading of an ordinance amending Section 114-92 of the City of New Braunfels Code of Ordinances to provide requirements for access near public highway-rail grade crossings.

BACKGROUND / RATIONALE:

City Council unanimously approved the first reading of the ordinance amending Section 114-92 of the City of New Braunfels Code of Ordinances to provide requirements for access near public highwayrail grade crossings.

City staff is proposing an amendment to Section 114-92 of the Code of Ordinances to provide requirements for access near public highway-rail grade crossings. This amendment is necessary for compliance with the federal standards for the quiet zone crossings that have implemented supplementary safety measures throughout the city. The amendment also provides requirements for new access near crossings in order to plan for future supplemental safety measures and quiet zone crossings. Supplementary safety measures are required by federal law to be utilized at any established quiet zone in the city.

ADDRESSES A NEED/ISSUE IN A CITY PLAN OR COUNCIL PRIORITY:

2006 Comprehensive Plan: Transportation Goal 21: Provide a system of convenient and safe transportation facilities through comprehensive, cooperative and continuing transportation system planning and development.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the proposed amendment to Section 114-92 of the City of New Braunfels Code of Ordinances to provide guidance for access near public highway-rail grade crossings.