Mountain View City Attorney’s
Impartial Analysis of Mountain View Ordinance No. 15.19 Amending
Articles I and VIII of Chapter 19 of the Mountain View City Code
Related to Oversized Vehicle Parking on Narrow Streets

Ordinance No. 15.19 amends Articles I and VIII of Chapter 19 of the Mountain View City Code relating to oversized vehicle parking on narrow streets. The ordinance adds a definition of “Oversized Vehicles” as any vehicle, or a combination of connected vehicles, which exceeds 22 feet in length or 7 feet in width or 7 feet in height, such as recreational vehicles, boats and large trucks. The proposed definition of oversized vehicles would generally exclude passenger vans and pickup trucks. The ordinance prohibits Oversized Vehicles to be parked on narrow streets less than or equal to forty (40) feet in width, or portions thereof, except wheelchair-accessible vans with a valid placard or license and Oversized Vehicles that are parked for short duration activities (such as loading and unloading, and emergency vehicles). The ordinance would not be enforced without a resolution of the City Council setting forth the prohibition on specified streets and would not be enforced until the installation of signage and markers giving notice of the restrictions by the public works director.

The City Council adopted this ordinance on October 22, 2019. In compliance with the California Elections Code, the City Clerk received a petition for a referendum on Ordinance No. 15.19 and the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters determined that the referendum obtained sufficient petition signatures to qualify for the ballot. Ordinance No. 15.19 was immediately suspended through the referendum process as required by the Elections Code.

If the measure is approved by a majority of the voters, Ordinance No. 15.19 will become a valid and binding ordinance of the City. The ordinance will be considered as adopted upon the date that the vote is declared by the City Council, and will go into effect 10 days after that date. If the measure is not approved by a majority of the voters, the City Council may not re-enact Ordinance No. 15.19 for a period of one year after the date of disapproval by the voters.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure ____. If you desire a copy of the measure, please call the City Clerk at (650-903-6304) and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you. Copies are also available in the City Clerk’s Office and on the City’s website at www.mountainview.gov.

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