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To: City Council

From: Phil Stenbeck, CFM, Planning Director

Re: Shipping container structures – Planning Commission request.

City staff have recently had a number of requests about using shipping containers as structures. The picture below shows a typical container.



The requests for use of the containers has been wide ranging and includes but is not limited to use:

- as an accessory structures in a residential zone;
- as homes in a residential zone on an individual;
- as homes in a multi-family project similar to a manufactured home park;
- as a business structure in both commercial and industrial zones.

Recently, there have been a number of TV shows, showing how the shipping containers can be developed into a number of different types of structures which has increased interest. The concern City Planning staff and the Planning Commission have is there is nothing in the City Land Use Code that engages this new phenomena. The Planning Commission is asking Planning staff to provide Land Use code that addresses the situation similar to what was used for development of manufactured home code.

City Planning staff are requesting the City Council's general direction on:

- 1) Development of land use code for shipping containers use as a structures; or
- 2) Development of land use code which bans their use for structural purposes.

(Shipping Container Memo)

