



**CITY OF BOULDER
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

MEETING DATE: May 17, 2016

AGENDA TITLE: Consideration of a motion to introduce, consider on first reading and publish by title only of an ordinance intended to expand the availability of cooperative housing units by amending Title 4 “Licenses and Permits by adding a new section 4-20-69 “Cooperative Housing License fee,” amending Title 9 “Land Use Code” by amending table 9-6-1 to make cooperative housing an allowed use in certain zone districts, by amending section 9-6-3, eliminating the requirement of a special use permit for cooperative housing, amending title 10 “Structures” by adding a new chapter 11 “Cooperative Housing” establishing requirements for licensing housing cooperatives and setting forth related details.

PRESENTERS

Jane S. Brautigam, City Manager

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Since 1996, the City of Boulder has had a cooperative housing ordinance. Unfortunately, not a single cooperative housing unit has been developed pursuant to that ordinance. There are, however, illegal cooperatives operating without any regulatory oversight. One of council’s priorities for this year is to attempt to address the concerns raised about the existing code provisions. At a study session on January 26, 2016, Council gave staff initial direction regarding a new potential cooperative housing ordinance. Staff developed a draft and posted a version for community consideration. Responding to community feedback, staff developed and posted a revised version of the