



**City of Columbus
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
City Code Amendment to Chapter 7A Certificate of Occupancy
Interactive Technology Format
(Statutes Section 13D.02)**

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held by the City of Columbus City Council on November 26, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as parties may be heard, the hearing will be conducted in person and by Interactive Technology at the Columbus City Hall located at 16319 Kettle River Blvd., Minnesota to consider a City Code amendment to Chapter 7A to clarify the requirement for submitting an “as-built” survey prior to the issuance of a certificate of occupancy. A full copy of the proposed ordinance is available for review during regular business hours in the City Administrator’s Office at the address listed above or viewed on the City Website. Members of the public interested in attending in person, monitoring the meetings or want more information, should contact the City Offices at 651-464-3120 or visit the City Website at ColumbusMN.us. The hearing shall continue until all evidence and testimony has been received.

Jack Davis

Jack Davis, Zoning Administrator

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ORDINANCE NO. 25-06
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
CHAPTER 7A - ZONING REGULATIONS
OF THE COLUMBUS CITY CODE FOR
CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENTS

The City Council of the City of Columbus ordains the following amendments to the City Code:

SECTION I. Chapter 7A, Article III, Section 7A-310, Certificate of Occupancy, of the City Code, is hereby amended as follows:

ARTICLE III
ENFORCEMENT

SECTION 7A-310. CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

It shall be unlawful to use, occupy, or permit the use or occupancy of any ~~b~~Building or ~~p~~Premises, or both, or part thereof hereafter created, erected, changed, converted, or wholly or partly altered or enlarged in its use or ~~s~~Structure until a certificate of occupancy has been issued by the Building ~~Official Inspector~~. The certificate of occupancy shall state that the proposed uses of the ~~b~~Building or ~~premises land~~ conforms to all of the applicable requirements of the City Code, including zoning regulations, building code, and construction requirements for the ~~b~~Buildable ~~a~~Area(s) and ~~d~~Driveway(s), ~~and that the Zoning Administrator has inspected the property and attested to that fact.~~

~~An "as built" survey shall be required for all new commercial construction, and for all new residential construction on lots less than five (5) acres in size. An "as built" survey may also be required, at the discretion of the City Engineer, Building Official, or Zoning Administrator. Both the Building Inspector and the Zoning Administrator, at the discretion of either, shall have the authority to require an "as built" survey of the property to verify that the requirements for for any other project when deemed necessary to verify compliance with bBuildable aArea, dDriveway, and mMinimum cConstruction eElevation requirements have been met.~~

Either the Building ~~Official Inspector~~ or the Zoning Administrator shall have the authority to withhold the certificate of occupancy and to prohibit use and occupancy of the property until such time that compliance with these Code requirements can be verified to their satisfaction.

Section II. This Ordinance was adopted by the Columbus City Council on this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Ron Hanegraaf, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jack Davis, City Administrator

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