Historic Preservation Municipal Code Amendments

CITY COUNCIL – October 21, 2025

Brighton Municipal Code Amendments

Background:

- The Historic Preservation Commission (the "HPC") currently has four members, but the Brighton Municipal Code requires a quorum of four.
- The City of Brighton (the "City"), like many other cities, has had difficulty filling positions on the HPC, meaning that every member of the HPC must be present at each meeting.
- The City has encountered difficulties meeting the State of Colorado Certified Local Government ("CLG") requirement of meeting four times per year.
- City Staff is suggesting lowering the required number of members, as well as the required quorum.

Purpose:

Changes to the Brighton Municipal Code require approval by the City Council.

HPC Bylaw Amendments (Approved by the HPC September 25, 2025)

The bylaw amendments:

- Change the member requirement from seven (7) to five (5).
- Change the quorum for meetings from four (4) to three (3).

Brighton Municipal Code – Article 2-66

The Municipal Code amendments:

- Change the member requirement from seven (7) to five (5).
- Change the quorum for meetings from four (4) to three (3).
- Change the number of required professional members from three (3) to two (2).

Summary of Findings

 The appropriate staff has reviewed these proposed code amendments and recommends approval.

City Staff Recommendation

 Staff recommends approval of the amendments to Article 2-66 of the Brighton Municipal Code.

Options for Consideration

The City Council has the following options to consider:

- Approve the code amendments as presented via ordinance as drafted;
- Approve the code amendments with modifications;
- Deny the code amendments; or
- Continue the code amendments to be heard at a later, specified date if the City Council finds it needs additional information to make a decision.