

**FRANKLIN COUNTY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Franklin County is proposing to amend the Franklin County Code, Title 15 Buildings and Construction, Chapter 15.12 Franklin County Building Code, Section 15.12.230 Permit Expiration and Revalidation. This amendment seeks to insure that Franklin County building permits expiration dates may be extended when substantial progress is being made.

Section 1 Section 15.12.230 - Permit expiration and revalidation

Section 105.5 of the International Building Code and of the International Residential Code shall be amended to read as follows:

"A building permit shall be obtained from the Franklin County Planning and Building Department. The permit shall expire by limitation and become null and void if the building or work authorized by such permit is not commenced within 180 days from the date of permit issuance, or if the building or work authorized by such permit is suspended or abandoned at any time after the work is commenced for a period of 180 days, but in any case, the permit shall expire by limitation two (2) years from the date of issuance, unless the owner of the permit has requested an extension in writing and can show a justifiable cause for the building official to grant a 180 day extension prior to the expiration time. In the event a building permit expires prior to a final inspection and approval by the Franklin County Planning and Building Department, a revalidation of the original permit may be requested within 30 days after the expiration date, subject to a 25% fee of the original permit fee, shall be paid prior to any further inspections, approvals, or the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy by the department.

No more than one revalidation permit shall be issued upon the expiration of a valid building permit. A revalidation permit shall be valid for 180 days and may be extended for an additional 180 days, if the owner has requested an extension in writing demonstrating justifiable cause prior to the expiration date. Further extensions may only be considered if the exterior of the structure is complete, and in the opinion of the Building Official, the outward appearance of the building/structure is that of being complete and finished (including compliance with the requirements of the Landscaping and Screening Chapter of the Franklin County Zoning Ordinance, as amended).

Expired permits that have not been appropriately extended shall be subject to a new application, review, and may be subject to state code updates."

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendment to the building code will be considered by the Franklin County Board of County Commissioners on June 28, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Franklin County Courthouse, Commissioners Meeting Room, 1016 North 4th Avenue, Pasco, WA 99301 and all concerned may appear and present support for or objections to the application. Written comments are accepted prior to the public hearing and those

comments shall be submitted to the Franklin County Planning Department, 502 W. Boeing Street, Pasco, Washington 99301.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that said proposal has been reviewed under the requirements of the State Environmental Policy Act, as amended, along with the Environmental Checklist and other information. A Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) has been issued for this non project action. Accordingly, an Environmental Impact Statement **is not** required. This determination was made on **June 12, 2017** and comments regarding the determination and the environmental impacts of the proposal can be made to the Planning Department by **June 22, 2017**.

Information concerning the proposal can be obtained at the Franklin County Planning Department, 502 W. Boeing Street, Pasco, Washington 99301, or by calling 545-3521.

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