

**Agenda Item 26-0634 (Tim Acklin)**

AN ORDINANCE to amend Sec. 115-399. (d) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse regarding the type of retaining wall appearances allowed when adding fill for a building site.

**General Location**

City-wide

**Background Information.**

Section 115-399 on the Municipal Code establishes the maximum height of fill being placed on properties and a review process so as to minimize any adverse impacts on adjoining properties. This section also includes design criteria for the exterior finish of the retaining wall and screening requirements. Currently, the code only allows for the exterior of the retaining wall to have a decorative finish. There may be instances where it is not feasible to use Concrete Masonry Unit (CMU) or decorative wall forms for a retaining wall for fill. The proposed ordinance would allow for greater flexibility in other materials being used, or attached, to the retaining wall to create a decorative finish.

**Recommendation of Other Boards and Commissions**

N/A

**Consistency with Adopted Comprehensive Plan**

N/A

**Staff Recommendation**

**This item is recommended for approval.**

**Routing J&A 8.5.26**