

Department Requesting Code Change: Columbus City Council

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Columbus City Code Title Being Amended/Created/Repealed:

Title 45, Chapter 1, Section 4501.45

What is the overall purpose of this code change? Summarize the general themes of the code change(s) and the need for these changes. Please utilize language and descriptors that would be easily understandable by the general public.

To remove milkweed from the definition of weeds in the housing code.

Why is this code change needed? Examples: Correcting a drafting error; bringing code into alignment with changes to state law. For other policy changes, it may be necessary to provide a much more in-depth rationale in the section.

This code change corrects a drafting error that occurred in 2017 when the Columbus Code of Ordinances was amended to remove milkweed from the definition of “weeds” in the health, sanitation, and safety code, but not the housing code.

What would be the impact of not adopting this code change?

A resident may potentially be cited for failure to maintain their property if milkweed is present.

Are there any operating or capital budget cost/savings implications for this code change? These may be direct or in-direct, and please also consider long-term impact.

N/A



Describe the community engagement process regarding this code change. What residents, impacted parties, and constituents may be affected? Have they been engaged, and how so? How was their feedback incorporated (or not incorporated) into this code change?

The need for this technical correction was brought to City Council by a constituent.

Will this code change take effect with the ordinance, or is there a delayed effective date?

Effective date: 30 days



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