

**TOWN OF MINTURN, COLORADO
ORDINANCE NO. 10 – SERIES 2025**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MINTURN,
COLORADO AMENDING CHAPTER 19, ARTICLE 5 OF
THE MINTURN MUNICIPAL CODE ADDING THE
SECRETARY OF INTERIOR’S DESIGN GUIDELINES AS
A REVIEW STANDARD**

WHEREAS, the Town of Minturn (“Town”) is a Colorado home rule municipality organized pursuant to Article XX of the Colorado Constitution and with the authority of the Town of Minturn Home Rule Charter for which the Minturn Town Council (“Town Council”) is authorized to act; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Minturn 2025-2027 Strategic Plan (hereinafter the “Strategic Plan”) values “Integrity, Transparency, Collaboration, [and] Resourcefulness” through specific strategic plan goals and policies;

WHEREAS, the Strategic Plan contains five key priorities for implementation; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has adopted Chapter 19 Historic Preservation, Minturn Municipal Code (“MMC”); and

WHEREAS, Sec. 19-1-30. – Intent, MMC, states that the “intention of this Chapter is to create a reasonable balance between private property rights and the public interest in preserving the Town's unique historic character through the nomination of buildings, structures, sites, objects, and historic districts for preservation;” and

WHEREAS, Sec. 19-2-10. – Creation, MMC, states that “There is hereby established a Historic Preservation Commission, which shall be appointed by the Town Council, and hereinafter referred to as the (“HPC”).

WHEREAS, the HPC recognizes that Chapter 19 does not adequately provide direction for existing and new property owners; and

WHEREAS, the HPC believes that adding language to provide more direction will promote the intent of Chapter 19 by creating a reasonable balance between private property rights and the public interest; and

WHEREAS, at their regularly scheduled meeting of August 19, 2025, the HPC considered this ordinance and recommended approval; and

WHEREAS, at their regularly scheduled meeting on September 3, 2025, the Minturn Town Council approved this ordinance on first reading; and

WHEREAS, the HPC and Town Council have determined that the text amendments to Chapter 19 of the Minturn Municipal Code as provided herein are necessary and proper.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MINTURN, COLORADO:

SECTION 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as if set forth in full.

SECTION 2. Chapter 19 of the Minturn Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows, with additions shown in double underlined text and language to be deleted shown as ~~strike through~~ text. Sections of Chapter 19 which are not expressly described in this Ordinance are deemed to continue to be in full effect without change.

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CHAPTER 19 – Historic Preservation

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ARTICLE 5 – Alterations to Listed Properties and Historic Districts

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Sec. 19-5-30. – Review criteria.

- (a) Compliance with any Historic Preservation Design Guidelines adopted by the Town Council for historic properties and/or contributing properties within historic districts.
- (b) Compliance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties, including the Standards for Rehabilitation and with Appendix B – Minturn Design Standards and Guidelines as long as the alterations are keeping with the general character of the historic property. If there is conflict between the two standards, the Secretary of Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties, including the Standards for Rehabilitation shall take precedent.

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INTRODUCED, READ BY TITLE, APPROVED ON THE FIRST READING AND ORDERED PUBLISHED BY TITLE ONLY AND POSTED IN FULL ON THE OFFICIAL TOWN WEBSITE THE 3rd DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025. A PUBLIC HEARING ON THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE HELD AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MINTURN, COLORADO ON THE 17th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025 AT 5:30 p.m. AT THE MINTURN TOWN HALL 302 PINE STREET, MINTURN COLORADO 81645.

TOWN OF MINTURN, COLORADO



Earle Bidez, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: 
Jay Brunvand, Town Clerk



THE TOWN OF MINTURN, COLORADO, ORDAINS THIS ORDINANCE ENACTED ON SECOND READING AND ORDERED PUBLISHED BY TITLE ONLY AND POSTED IN FULL ON THE OFFICIAL TOWN WEBSITE THIS 17th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025.

TOWN OF MINTURN, COLORADO



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ATTEST:

By: _____
Jay Brunvand, Town Clerk





To: Town Council
From: Madison Harris
Date: August 28, 2025
Agenda Item: Ordinance 10 - Series 2025 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19 – Historic Preservation of the MMC to Add the Secretary of Interior’s Guidelines as a Review Standard

REQUEST:

Review and approve Ordinance 10 - Series 2025 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19 - Historic Preservation of the MMC to Add the Secretary of Interior’s Guidelines as a Review Standard.

INTRODUCTION:

Last year there were amendments to Chapter 19 that staff has since discovered have some unintended consequences, so this ordinance is being presented in efforts to correct the oversight.

ANALYSIS:

At the June 5, 2024 meeting Council discussed balancing historic preservation, economic feasibility, and the utilization of property, particularly in the Town’s downtown, commercial generating area. In response to this a work session was scheduled at the July 17, 2024 meeting.

During the work session staff brought forth nine different ideas for Council to discuss and give direction on. Staff was directed to bring back an ordinance addressing Options 1-7:

1. Option 1: Eliminate the requirement for two sets of design review guidelines
2. Option 2: Eliminating potentially redundant approval requirements
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4. Option 4: Encourage historic preservation reinvestment as part of the Downtown Development Authority Operations Plan
5. Option 5: Require a minimum of two nominators for a structure to be nominated for historic designation
6. Option 6: Create a process whereby property owners can determine if their structure would be historically designated without necessarily “supporting” such a designation
7. Option 7: Allow residential in the Downtown Character Area on the back 50% ground floor of historically designated commercial buildings to create live/work opportunities

All of this ended up being addressed in Ordinance 20 - Series 2024 which was passed September 2024. Unfortunately, since then staff has discovered that as a Certified Local Government the Town is required to have “Standards, criteria, and procedures for review of alterations, demolitions, or new construction. They must be consistent with the Secretary of the

Interior’s Standards and Guidelines for Archaeology and Historic Preservation.” - Colorado CLG Handbook pg. 4.

As such, staff is presenting an ordinance for review to add back in the Secretary of Interior’s Standards and Guidelines in Article 5 where it was previously located.

Staff presented this ordinance to the HPC to receive feedback and received a recommendation of approval at their August 19, 2025 meeting.

COMMUNITY INPUT:

Ongoing.

BUDGET / STAFF IMPACT: TBD

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

The Town Council’s review of the Ordinance aligns with the following key strategies:

- Integrity
- Transparency
- Collaboration

ATTACHMENTS:

- Ordinance 10 - Series 2025 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19 – Historic Preservation of the MMC to Add the Secretary of Interior’s Guidelines as a Review Standard.

**TOWN OF MINTURN, COLORADO
ORDINANCE NO. 08 – SERIES 2025
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MINTURN,
COLORADO AMENDING THE MINTURN
MUNICIPAL
CODE TO ADD ARTICLE 27, *NATURAL MEDICINE
BUSINESSES*, IN CHAPTER 16 AND TO MAKE
CHANGES
TO THE USE TABLES IN SECTIONS 16-5-40,
16-6-70, AND
16-7-60**

THE TOWN OF MINTURN, COLORADO, ORDAINS
THIS ORDINANCE ENACTED ON
SECOND READING AND ORDERED PUBLISHED
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3RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2025.
TOWN OF MINTURN, COLORADO

Earle Bidez, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: Jay Brunvand, Town Clerk

TOWN OF MINTURN, COLORADO

**ORDINANCE NO. 09 – SERIES 2025
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MINTURN,
COLORADO AMENDING CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE
8 OF THE MINTURN MUNICIPAL CODE TO
ALLOW FOR THE INSTALLATION OF PHASE
III CERTIFIED WOOD BURNING DEVICES IN
COMPLIANCE WITH COLORADO DEPARTMENT
OF PUBLIC HEALTH AIR QUALITY CONTROL
COMMISSION REGULATION NO. 4**

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**PUBLISHED IN THE VAIL DAILY ON SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 6, 2025.**



To: Town Council
From: Madison Harris
Date: September 12, 2025
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UPDATE:

At the September 3, 2025 meeting a question was raised by a member of the public asking if the Town were to lose its Certified Local Government status, can individual property owners apply for tax credits and/or grants for the current historically designated properties. Staff reached out to Dr. Lindsey Flewelling at History Colorado to get an answer to this and below is her response.

“Tax credits are only available to locally designated properties in CLGs, and properties on the State or National Registers, so would not be available if Minturn were no longer a CLG. For the State Historical Fund [funding for grants], designated properties in any local government that has a program for landmarking are eligible.”

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