Thursday, June 7, 2007

Public Hearings and Possible Actions RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 96

Subject: Conduct a public hearing and consider an amendment to Section 25-2-713 (B) of the City Code to provide that an interested party may appeal a decision by the Land Use Commission to grant or deny a variance requested under that section for property in any Waterfront Overlay subdistrict.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Planning Commission.

Prior Council Action: On April 19, 2007, Council approved a resolution to initiate appropriate amendments to Title 25 of the City Code to provide for appeals of variances to the City Council under Section 25-2-713 for developments within the Waterfront Overlay District.

Currently, under Section 25-2-713 (B) of the City Code, an interested party may appeal the Land Use Commission's decision on a variance to the Council only if the project is located within the City Hall Subdistrict. There are 16 subdistricts within the WOD. The code amendment proposal would allow an interested party to appeal a Land Use Commission decision on a variance in all subdistricts of the WOD.