Thursday, May 21, 2009

Public Hearings and Possible Actions RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 62

Subject: Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance amending Chapter 25 and Chapter 30 of the City Code concerning requirements for notification of subdivision and site plan applications (item C2o-2009-002).

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

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Boards and Commission Action: Planning Commission approved staff recommendation.

Amendments are proposed to Chapters 25 and 30 pertaining to public notification of proposed development applications. Chapter 25 regulates subdivisions and site plans within the full-purpose city limits, and Chapter 30 regulates subdivision applications located in the City of Austin's ETJ (Extra Territorial Jurisdiction), and limited-purpose areas for land located in Travis County. The changes to Chapter 30 were approved by the Travis County Commissioners Court on August 8, 2008, and are now required to be approved by the City in order to take effect.

Many of the proposed code changes mirror the notification requirements in the ETJ with the notification requirements inside the corporate limits of the City of Austin. The other proposed code changes require the applicant to state the specific non-residential use on the notification letter and require notification signs for certain actions such as resubdivisions.

Staff recommends approval of the proposed amendments.