Thursday, August 5, 2010

Public Hearings and Possible Actions RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 51

Subject: Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance amending Chapter 25-2, Subchapter F (Residential Design and Compatibility Standards) to include the area bounded by Ben White Boulevard on the north, Interstate Highway 35 on the east, William Cannon Drive on the south, and Manchaca Road on the west.

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Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by Planning Commission.

Prior Council Action: December 10, 2009 - Council approved a resolution directing the City Manager to process the necessary code amendments to extend the boundaries of City Code Chaper 25-2, Subchapter F (Residential Design and Compatibility Standards). May 27, 2010 - Council set a public hearing for June 24, 2010. June 24, 2010 - Council postponed to July 29, 2010. July 29, 2010 - Council postponed to August 5, 2010.

On December 10, 2009 Council approved a resolution directing the City Manager to process the necessary code amendments to extend the boundaries of City Code Chaper 25-2, Subchapter F (Residential Design and Compatibility Standards).

The proposed amendment will extend the boundaries of the current ordinance to include an area bounded by Ben White Boulevard to the north, William Cannon Drive to the south, Interstate Highway 35 to the east and Manchaca Road to the west.

Planning and Development Review staff met with the Southwood Neighborhood Association and surrounding area stakeholders to discuss the boundaries and the ordinance on April 26, 2010. The stakeholders were amenable to the boundary expansion and in support of an ordinance minimizing the impact of new construction, remodeling and additions occurring within the subject neighborhoods.