

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT REVIEW SHEET

Amendment: C20-2011-023 Bicycle Parking

Description: Amend various sections of City Code Title 25 (Land Development) to clarify definitions and regulations related to bicycle and motor vehicle parking requirements, calculations and reductions; and establishing a bicycle parking fund.

Proposed Language: See attached draft language.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends this amendment.

Background: Initiated by Planning Commission on September 27, 2011

After significant review consistent with the bicycle parking recommendations made by the 2007 Street Smarts Task Force, the Bicycle Master Plan, and the Bicycle Advisory Council, the Bicycle Program staff identified ten potential amendments to the City Code. These amendments facilitate the creation of convenient and safe places for people to park their bicycles, as well as provide incentives for redevelopment to provide safe and secure bicycle parking and shower facilities. Finally, the amendments include the creation of a “Bicycle Parking Fund” to be used when bicycle parking is required, but for some reason cannot be provided.

Board and Commission Actions

Planning Commission Subcommittee on Codes and Ordinances: December 28, 2012 – Recommended most proposed changes to full Planning Commission. Vote: 5-0; M. Smith absent.

February 19, 2013 – Recommended staff continue to work on the following items and return to the March 19, 2013 subcommittee meeting: 1. Fee structure for opting out of automobile parking; 2. Cumulative effects of all available options for reducing parking; 3. A different cap for the extent to which automobile parking can be reduced. Vote: 6-0.

March 19, 2013 – Recommended the item to full Planning Commission, with staff-proposed changes to parking incentives and reductions. Vote: 5-0; J. Nortey absent.

Planning Commission: April 9, 2013 – Recommended approval 8-0; J. Stevens absent.

Council Action

City Council – A public hearing at City Council has been set for May 9, 2013.

Ordinance Number: NA

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