



COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT

Planning and Neighborhoods Committee

Date: August 17, 2015

Agenda Item #3

Agenda Item: Discussion and possible action on recommendations related to amendments to City Code regarding secondary dwellings.

Vote: Approved 3-1

Sponsors/Department:

Gregory I. Guernsey, Director, Planning and Zoning Department

Ming-ru Chu, Planning and Zoning Department

Summary of Discussion

Public Comments

Direction

Council Member Casar discussed with local Credit Units and other financial institutions as to what types of barriers there may be for homeowners in getting the kind of loans or reverse mortgages needed in regards to secondary dwelling unit, for lower to moderate income families. Perhaps the City Manager can provide information to the Planning and Neighborhoods Committee in order for the committee to address those issues.

Council Member Gallo add to also as the City Manager to bring into the discussion industry stakeholders, because if there are barriers that can be remove and we can still allow finance on those properties that is the route we would want to take.

Mayor Pro Tem Tovo stated that it would be important to add some type of requirement for affordability.

Council Member Renteria asked that staff with Neighborhood Housing would come back and provide information of how we can finance ADUs for low income families or people who want to build secondary units.

Council Member Casar recommended staff to come back to discuss the parking requirements for ADUs.