DOWNTOWN COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION 20150318-005

Date: March 18, 2015

Subject: Non-Peak Hour Permits for Concrete Installation

Motioned By: Sunshine Mathon  Seconded By: Jim Nix

Recommendation

The Downtown Commission makes these recommendations to the City Council:

- Require a noise and light mitigation plan with each after-hours concrete installation permit application.
- Set a decibel maximum of 75 dBA for construction activity between 10:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m. measured from the construction boundary line.
- Set a decibel maximum of 65 dBA for construction activity, under special circumstances, from 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. measured from the limits of the construction boundary line.
- Shield after-hour lighting associated with the concrete installation from adjacent residential uses not to exceed 0.4 foot-candles at the property line.
- dBC levels need to be addressed after further study by the COA within six months.
- Projects for which an application for building permit has been submitted to the city as of the date the new ordinance is adopted shall be grandfathered for the first three months, then subject to the new ordinance.
- The city shall provide an equitable and effective enforcement mechanism where repeat violations affect the ability to obtain additional night time permits.
- This proposal shall be effective for one year during which time the COA shall evaluate and make recommendations for modification (if any) prior to the end of the year.
- Residents within 300 feet shall be provided with a 24 hour telephone contact, with advanced notification.
- This ordinance should apply to both CBD- and P-zoned property.
- The City Council should address all construction-related noise, not just the pouring of concrete, and develop recommended ordinance changes.

Vote: 9-0

For: Dale Glover, Dan Leary, Sunshine Mathon, Maureen Metteauer, Jim Nix, Joel Sher, Owen Snell, Bart Whatley, Bruce Willenzik

Against: none