



PLANNING COMMISSION
DATE: 8/10/15
AGENDA ITEM: 6A – BUSINESS ITEM
CASE # 2015-23

ITEM: Zoning Text Amendment – Subdivision Identification Signs

SUBMITTED BY: Kyle Klatt, Community Development Director

REVIEWED BY: Nick Johnson, City Planner

SUMMARY AND ACTION REQUESTED:

The Planning Commission is being asked to reconsider its recommendation to the City Council concerning a zoning text amendment for neighborhood identification signs. The Council considered the ordinance at its July 21, 2015 meeting, and requested that the Planning Commission consider reducing the maximum size of a neighborhood identification sign from 32 square feet to 24 square feet. Staff has updated the draft ordinance to reflect this change, and will be seeking further discussion and comments from the Planning Commission on this matter before sending it back to the Council for final action.

Please note that the Commission has received detailed reports and supporting information on this item at two previous meetings. Staff will provide copies of any of these materials upon request from individual Commissioners or the general public.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Applicant: City of Lake Elmo

Property Owners: N/A

Location: N/A – Proposed zoning text amendment would apply to existing and future residential subdivisions throughout the community.

Request: The Planning Commission is asked to reconsider its recommendation to the City Council concerning neighborhood identification signs.

Existing Land Use: N/A

Existing Zoning: N/A

Surrounding Land Use: N/A

Surrounding Zoning: N/A

Comprehensive Plan: N/A

Proposed Zoning: N/A

History: The City updated the Sign Ordinance in 2013 as part of the Zoning Code Update Project. The provisions that regulate subdivision identification signs were included in the 2013 update.

Applicable Regulations: §154.212 – Sign Regulations

RECCOMENDATION:

Staff is recommending that the Planning Commission recommend approval of the Zoning Text Amendment to the Sign Ordinance to provide clarity with regards to subdivision identification signs. The suggested motion is the following:

“Move to recommend approval of the Zoning Text Amendment to add greater detail to the subdivision identification sign provisions in the City’s Sign Ordinance.”

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. DRAFT ORDINANCE – Proposed Zoning Text Amendment

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- IntroductionCommunity Development Director
- Report by Staff City Planner
- Questions from the Commission Chair & Commission Members
- Public CommentsChair
- Discussion by the Commission Chair & Commission Members
- Action by the Commission Chair & Commission Members