



Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Request-to-Set a Public Hearing on Land Use Ordinance Amendments Relating to Signage

PURPOSE: The purpose of this agenda item is for the Board of Aldermen to consider setting a public hearing on text amendments to the Land Use Ordinance relating to construction fence wrap signage.

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INFORMATION: At the May 24, 2016 Board of Aldermen meeting, staff presented information relating to newly adopted state legislation and the potential need to amend certain Land Use Ordinance provisions for conformity. New language added under NCGS 153A-340 (Zoning, Grant of Power) subsection (n) addresses signage on construction fence wrap, the fabric attached to construction site perimeter fencing. The provision exempts the messaging on fence wraps from zoning regulations relating to signage until the certificate of occupancy (CO) is issued for the final portion of any construction or twenty-four months after the fence wrap is installed, whichever is shorter (Attachment C).

A draft ordinance has been prepared addressing the signage on construction fence wraps under Section 15-273, Certain Temporary Signs, Subsection (2) which speaks to other forms of temporary signs used for construction projects.

The Board of Aldermen must receive public comment before adopting amendments to the LUO. Orange County and Planning Board review are also needed; no other boards have been identified due to the mandatory nature of the amendment.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: Public hearings involve staff and public notice costs associated with advisory board and Board of Aldermen review.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen consider the attached resolution, setting a public hearing for March 28, 2017 and referring the proposed amendment to Orange County and the Planning Board.