

Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Work Session on Ways to Expedite and Incentivize Environmentally Friendly Development Projects

PURPOSE: Board of Aldermen members have identified the provision of environmentally friendly features in development projects as desirable. This item provides information related to the concept and provides an opportunity for the Board to give staff direction on possible related changes to the development process.

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INFORMATION: Board members requested an opportunity to discuss the concept of expediting and / or incentivizing aspects of the development review process as a way to encourage the provision of environmentally friendly or green features. The provision of such features is supported by existing adopted policies including a goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions. More generally the provision of such features will help Carrboro move in the direction of mitigating some degree of impacts to climate change as related to development projects. The attached staff memo offers information and ideas for the Board to consider and discuss during the work session.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: No impacts are associated with the receipt of this report. Impacts may be identified moving forward based on direction from the Board.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff requests that the Board consider and discuss the information and identify potential next steps.