



MEMORANDUM

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TO: Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA)

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SUBJECT: Consideration of allowing Rezoning and Text Amendment Ordinances receiving unanimous vote at the Franklin Municipal Planning Commission (FMPC) to proceed to first reading at the BOMA without Worksession review.

Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) with information consider uncontested Rezoning and Text Amendment Ordinances to proceed directly to first vote at the BOMA, without appearing on a BOMA Worksession.

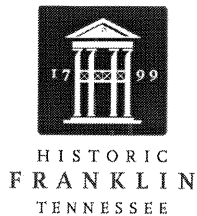
Background

The BOMA Worksession provides the BOMA the opportunity to discuss items in greater detail than would typically be provided during a formal voting meeting.

The elimination of the requirement for Worksession review would only occur when for Rezonings and Text Amendments receive unanimous vote at the FMPC meeting. This change would allow additional time during Worksessions to discuss other agenda items and potentially reduce the time it takes to secure final approval of the Rezonings and Text Amendments by two to three weeks while still providing ample opportunity for input by the public and BOMA.

The reason staff is making this recommendation is that Rezonings and Text Amendments are considered at the Joint Conceptual Workshop and again during an FMPC meeting. Both meetings allow Board members the opportunity to discuss and hear from interested parties. Additionally, there are three readings before the BOMA, one of which is a public hearing and public input during the Worksession may be duplicated during the BOMA Public Hearing.

This change does not include Development Plans which would continue to be placed on the BOMA Worksession meeting agenda.



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The following is an example of a hypothetical schedule for Rezoning of a property:

June 28, 2012	Joint Conceptual Workshop
July 26, 2012	FMPC Meeting
August 14, 2012	Development Plan (BOMA Worksession) First Reading for Rezoning (BOMA Voting Meeting)
September 11, 2012	Second Reading and Public Hearing for Rezoning (BOMA Voting Meeting) Public Hearing for Development Plan (BOMA Voting Meeting)
September 25, 2012	Third Reading Rezoning only (BOMA Voting Meeting)

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact.

Recommendation

To endorse this change in process to allow Rezoning and Text Amendment Ordinances with unanimous FMPC votes to proceed directly to the BOMA Voting Meeting Agenda for first reading.