



PLANNING COMMISSION: APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENTS TO LAND USE MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE SECTIONS 8.3 AND 8.4

STAFF REPORT

TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
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<p>AMENDMENT REQUEST</p> <p>Amend the Officer section of the Historic District Commission and Board of Adjustment sections of the Land Use Management Ordinance to refer to the Advisory Board Membership Policy, which allows advisory board members to serve as a Vice-Chair for a maximum of two consecutive years and also be eligible to serve as a Chair for a maximum of two consecutive years (with no officer serving more than four consecutive years).</p>	<p>DATE</p> <p>January 7, 2020</p>
<p>STAFF RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>Staff recommends that the Planning Commission review the proposed text amendments and forward a recommendation to the Town Council in time for the Council’s review at the January 8, 2020 Public Hearing.</p>	
<p>PROCESS</p> <p>The item before the Council is for approval of a Land Use Management Ordinance Text Amendment. The Council must consider whether one or more of the three findings for enactment of the Land Use Management Ordinance Text Amendment applies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To correct a manifest error in the chapter; or 2. Because of changed or changing conditions in a particular area or in the jurisdiction generally; or 3. To achieve the purposes of the Comprehensive Plan. 	<p>OVERVIEW</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Parks, Greenways, and Recreation Commission petitioned the Town Council to permit current officers to serve an additional year as an officer. • The Council Committee on Boards and Commissions recommended amending the Advisory Board Membership Policy on November 13, 2019. • The text amendment would update the relevant sections of the Land Use Management Ordinance to refer to the Advisory Board Membership Policy as appropriate.
<p>DECISION POINTS</p> <p>Tonight’s proposal is for amendments to Board of Adjustment (Section 8.3) and Historic District Commission (Section 8.4) of the Land Use Management Ordinance including the following changes:</p> <p>Board of Adjustment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 8.3.3 Officers - update the section so that any reference to board officer length of term policies would refer back to the Advisory Board Membership Policy; <p>Historic District Commission</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 8.4.4 Officers - update the section so that any reference to board officer length of term policies would refer back to the Advisory Board Membership Policy; <p>Additional changes are proposed to the Advisory Board Membership Policy and the Town Code of Ordinances in the accompanying Town Council item, Consider Amendments to the Advisory Board Membership Policy and the Code of Ordinances.</p>	
<p>ATTACHMENTS</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Resolution of Consistency (For proposed Land Use Management Ordinance amendment) 2. Ordinance A (Enactment of Land Use Management Ordinance Text Amendment Proposal) 3. Resolution B (Deny Land Use Management Ordinance Text Amendment Proposal)