02-19-20 Town Council MeetingResponses to Council Questions #1

ITEM #10: Consider a Land Use Management Ordinance Text Amendment - Proposed Changes to Section Articles 3 and 4 Pertaining to Conditional Zoning

Council Question:

What kind of feedback did staff receive from the public at the additional public info meeting since Nov. 13th?

Staff Response:

At the additional public meeting, staff provided more background explanation on what conditional zoning is and how the process, notifications and opportunities for public involvement compare to special use permits. The meeting clarified that there are no changes proposed to the existing R-6 zoning district and that the proposed text amendment does not rezone any properties with the adoption of this amendment. At the meeting, it was also discussed that state legislative changes will eliminate the use of conditional use district zoning in favor of conditional zoning. One area of feedback from the public was the transparency of information shared since ex-parte communication is permitted in legislative processes.

Following this additional public meeting, staff also met with a historic district resident to further clarify that parcels currently zoned R-6 in the historic district will not be affected by this proposed amendment. The proposed amendment is a text amendment to the LUMO and does not rezone any parcel.

Council Question:

Do we have demographic data on attendees of both the public hearings?

Staff Response:

At the first public information meeting, there were seven people in attendance. Half were from the development community and half were residents. Two in attendance live in historic districts and the other resident lives in the northern part of town. At the second public information meeting, there were approximately 25 people. The majority were residents in the historic districts. A few people from the development community also attended.