

**ZONING COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION
December 19, 2007**

Rezoning Petition No. 2007-157

Petitioner: Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Department

Request: Text amendment to add a new definition for Commercial Outdoor Amusement.

Action: The Zoning Committee voted unanimously to recommend **APPROVAL** of this text amendment.

Vote:

Yeas:	Howard, Johnson, Lipton, Loflin, Randolph, Rosenburgh,
Nays:	None
Absent:	Sheild
Recused:	None

Summary of Petition

Currently, commercial outdoor amusement uses such as miniature golf courses, are permitted in B-2, I-1 and I-2 zoning districts. A definition for commercial outdoor amusement will help clarify the types of uses that qualify as a commercial outdoor amusement.

Zoning Committee Discussion/Rationale

Mr. MacVean summarized the text amendment. One Commissioner asked why non-profits were not included in the definition. Mr. MacVean stated that the City does not want to regulate non-profit outdoor amusements when they are not a principal use on the site such as carnivals at schools etc.

Consistency Statement

A motion was made by Commissioner Randolph, seconded by Commissioner Rosenburgh, to find this proposal to be consistent with adopted policies, reasonable, and in the public interest. The motion passed unanimously.

Vote

Upon a motion by Commissioner Randolph, seconded by Commissioner Loflin, the Zoning Committee voted unanimously to recommend APPROVAL of this petition.

Staff Opinion

Staff agrees with the recommendation of the Zoning Committee.