## ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT APPLICATION

## CITY OF CHARLOTTE

Petition #: 2009- <b>615</b>		
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Office Use Only		

Section #:

6.113 Protest petitions

## **Purpose of Changes:**

The purpose of this text amendment is to revise the protest petition language to match new modifications proposed for the Protest Petition form and instructions. These modifications will make it easier for the City Clerk's office to validate a protest petition, and reduce the time it currently takes staff to review petitions. This text amendment also would add a new process to require the protest petition to be complete, prior to the City Clerk's staff accepting a protest petition.

This text amendment proposes to amend Section 6.113 to:

- Clarify that when a protest petition is sufficient, City Council's decision will become effective with an affirmative vote of three-quarters of the members.
- Add a new requirement that the protest petition shall be on a form prescribed by the City, or on a document requiring all the same information. This will allow some flexibility for individuals who wish to adapt the form to include more information about why the rezoning is being protested.
- Add a detailed listing of the information required on the protest petition form. The purpose of this is to list the same items required on the new revised protest petition:
  - Name, address, daytime phone number of the person submitting the protest petition to the City Clerk.
  - Rezoning petition number
  - Legible printed name of property owner(s)
  - · Parcel identification number of the property
  - Address of the property
  - Daytime phone number of property owner(s)
  - Signature of legal owner(s) or authorized individual (indicate representative capacity)
  - Number of pages submitted.
  - Clerk's certification
- Add a new requirement that protest petitions must include all the information above to be considered complete.
- Clarify that protest petitions shall be submitted to the City Clerk, preferably in advance of the public hearing.
- And last, delete the requirement to submit a map showing the location of each property owner signing the protest petition.

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