

# Rezoning Petition 2009 – 026 PRE-HEARING STAFF ANALYSIS March 19, 2009

NOTE: Staff is requesting a two-month deferral of this petition in order for the petitioner to resolve outstanding issues.

**REQUEST** Text amendment to clarify how additions to existing development are

reviewed, and how development rights are impacted when a

development is later subdivided. This text amendment also modifies the Commercial Center development standards and permitted accessory

uses.

**SUMMARY OF PETITION** This petition proposes to:

 clarify how additions to existing development are treated with respect to the type of review and approval required;

 clarify how further subdivisions to an existing development are treated with respect to development rights;

3) clarify that accessory outdoor sales are permitted as an accessory use in the Commercial Center district; and,

4) clarify how the floor area ratio standards in the Commercial Center

district are applied.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION Staff recommends a two-month deferral of this petition.

Petitioner

Agent/Representative

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Department

Community Meeting

Meeting is not required.

#### PLANNING STAFF REVIEW

## Background

This text amendment is a result of a Zoning Board of Adjustment case where the interpretation of how the floor area ratio was allocated over a large development project was questioned when the project was later subdivided.

## Proposed Request Details

The text amendment:

- Removes and replaces the term "increment" which is not defined in the Zoning Ordinance.
- Clarifies that when a single existing development is later subdivided, each "resulting lot of record" rather than each "increment" of development will retain its own development rights.
- Clarifies that accessory outdoor sales are a permitted use, under prescribed conditions, in the Commercial Center district.
- Amends the floor area ratio language in the Commercial Center district so that the floor area ratio cannot exceed 1.0 on a "lot of record" rather than "within a project area", so that all lots are treated equal with respect to development rights.

#### Public Plans and Policies

This petition is consistent with adopted policies.

### PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE (see full department reports online)

CDOT: No issues.

Charlotte Fire Department: No issues.

CATS: No issues.

Connectivity: No issues.

**Schools:** CMS does not comment on text amendments.

# **ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE SITE DESIGN** (see full department reports online)

Storm Water: No issues

**LUESA:** No issues.

**Site Design:** There is no site plan associated with this text amendment.

## **OUTSTANDING ISSUES**

No issues.

## Attachments Online at www.rezoning.org

Application
CATS Review
CDOT Review
Charlotte Fire Department Review
LUESA Review
Storm Water Review

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