Rezoning Petition 2010 - 073



November 15, 2010

REQUEST	Text amendment to Sections 2.201, 9.205, 9.303, 9.408, 9.8507, 9.907, 9.1007, 10.803, 11.506, 12.206, and 12.805 of the Zoning Ordinance.
SUMMARY OF PETITION	The petition proposes to incorporate the <i>Urban Street Design Guidelines</i> , by:
	 modifying the required setback definition; modifying the setback regulations for single family and multi- family zoning districts; and modifying and expanding the regulations for on-street parking and recessed parking within the right-of-way.
STAFF RECOMMENDATION	Staff recommends approval of this petition. The petition is consistent with adopted policies.
Petitioner Agent/Representative	Charlotte Department of Transportation Charlotte Department of Transportation
COMMUNITY MEETING	Meeting is not required.

PLANNING STAFF REVIEW

• Proposed Request Details

• The text amendment contains the following provisions:

- Modifies the "required setback" definition to amend the measurement from the right-ofway to the back of curb for local streets and maintain from the right-of-way for thoroughfares.
- Revises the minimum setback for new single family and multi-family residential development to be consistent with the established building line of existing development.
- Updates the average setback provisions in the single family zoning districts and the Surface Water Improvement and Management Stream Buffer incentives to recognize the change in where the setback is measured.
- Removes the on-street parking or recessed parallel parking provisions from the multifamily zoning district because the *USDG* cross-section includes on-street parking as part of the construction detail in the *Charlotte Land Development Standards Manual*.
- Adds new provisions to allow on-street parking or recessed parking to count towards the minimum off-street parking requirements.

• Public Plans and Policies

• The petition is consistent with the *Urban Street Design Guidelines*, the *Transportation Action Plan*, and the *Centers*, *Corridors and Wedges Growth Framework*. The *Urban Street Design Guidelines (USDG*), adopted in 2007, contain a number of policies for planning and designing Charlotte's streets and for providing viable transportation choices. The *USDG* are intended to create "complete" streets meaning streets that provide capacity and mobility for motorists, while also being safer and more comfortable for pedestrians, cyclists, and neighborhood residents. The *USDG* are a supporting component of the *Transportation Action Plan*, and the *Centers, Corridors and Wedges Growth Framework*.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS (see full department reports online)

- Charlotte Area Transit System: No issues.
- Charlotte Department of Neighborhood & Business Services: No comments received.



- Charlotte Department of Transportation: No comments received.
- Charlotte Fire Department: No issues.
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools: Not applicable.
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services: No issues.
- Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency: No issues.
- Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation: No comments received.

ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE SITE DESIGN (see full department reports online)

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

OUTSTANDING ISSUES

No issues.

Attachments Online at www.rezoning.org

- Application
- Charlotte Area Transit System Review
- Charlotte Fire Department Review
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services Review
- Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency Review
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