



Department Source: Community Development - Planning

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: February 15, 2021

Re: Zoning Text Amendments - **#A14: 29-6.1(b)(2)(i) Reviewers and decision-making bodies - Planning and zoning commission (P&Z) - Powers and duties** (Case #49-2021)

Executive Summary

Approval will amend Section 29-6.1(b)(2)(i) of the Unified Development Code (UDC) to revise language pertaining to the powers and duties of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Discussion

The Human Rights Commission (HRC) has submitted a request to revise the PZC's Power and Duties section. The recommendation is related to the negative connotation evoked by the term "slum clearance" which is found within the Missouri State Statute Section [89.340 RSMo](#) that the Commission's powers and duties is based upon.

To address the HRC's request, it is recommended that the current reference be deleted along with some additional text and replaced with "development projects". In place of the deleted text a reference to the relevant state statute establishing the powers and duties has been added should there ever be a question as to the Planning and Zoning Commission's State enabled duties.

The Planning and Zoning Commission considered this request at their January 21, 2021 meeting. Staff presented its report. No member of the public spoke during the public hearing. Following limited discussion, a motion to approve the zoning text amendment passed (8-0). As a note, the PZC reviewed a draft of the proposed text amendment during three work sessions prior to the public hearing.

The Planning Commission staff report, proposed text amendment sheet, and meeting minute excerpts are attached.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None

Long-Term Impact: None

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable



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Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
3/20/2017	Approved Chapter 29 of the City Code, referred to as the Unified Development Code.

Suggested Council Action

Approve UDC amendment A14 as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission.