

Department of Community and Economic Development

Interoffice Memo

TO: Planning Commission Members

FROM: Darlene Heller, Director of Planning and Zoning

SUBJECT: City Council – Initiated Amendment of Bill 16-2021, a privately-proposed Zoning Text Amendment Ordinance affecting the former Martin Tower site at 1170 8th Avenue

DATE: July 2, 2021

Attached is a transmittal from City Clerk, Robert Vidoni, forwarding a proposed zoning amendment from City Council dated June 16, 2021. This is a minor revision from an amendment you reviewed in March of this year. The Planning Bureau concurs with the proposed revision from City Council.

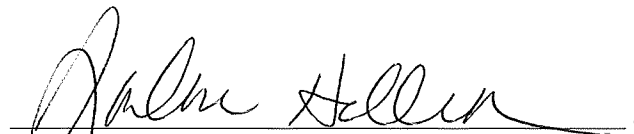
At your March 11, 2021 meeting, you reviewed and approved a zoning text amendment request that included a request to amend Section 1311.08(a), Parking and Driveways. Currently, the section reads in part that “In the OMU District, parking spaces placed between a principal commercial building and the curb line of an arterial street along the front of the lot shall be limited to one (1) driving aisle and one (1) row of parking space.” The property owner’s proposed amendment stated that the provision should not apply to the OMU District, essentially removing any limitation to parking in front of the building.

The attached proposed amendment drafted by Councilman Colon limits the amount of parking placed between the front face of a building and an arterial street to two (2) driving aisles and four (4) rows of parking spaces.

The proposed amendment places a limited cap on the amount of parking between the front of a building and an arterial street. Our office supports the Councilman’s amendment proposal as written.

Attachment

cc: Mayor Donchez C. Peiffer
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