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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairperson Ralph Lewis and Planning Commission Members
FROM: Dan Fleishman, Director of Planning and Development
DATE: February 25, 2019
SUBJECT: Suggested Code Amendments regarding Fences in Commercial and Downtown Zones

ISSUE

The issue before the Planning Commission is the consideration of suggested amendments to allow fences in the front yards of properties in the Commercial and Downtown zones. The Code defines the front yard to be the entire area between the front lot line and parallel line. At the January meeting, the Commission agreed to consider such an amendment.

The suggested amendment would allow fences in the front yard of commercial and downtown properties if the fence is less than 42 inches tall, is “wrought iron” or tubular steel or aluminum, is painted black and meets certain design standards. The 42-inch height standard was derived after measuring the existing fences in the downtown area.

Should the Planning Commission be comfortable with the amendment, we can schedule a public hearing for the March meeting.

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