

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. (2)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: January 27, 2009

TITLE: Public Hearing on a Draft Ordinance Amending the Land Use Ordinance Relating to the Service of the Chairs of Various Advisory Boards and the Board of Adjustment

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING	PUBLIC HEARING YES <u>X</u> NO <u> </u>
ATTACHMENTS: A. Resolutions B. Draft ordinance C. Excerpt from 11-11-08 minutes of Board of Aldermen D. Planning Board request for LUO Amendment E. Recommendations and comments	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia McGuire – 918-7327

PURPOSE

A draft ordinance pertaining to the terms of service for chairs of the five advisory boards and commissions that are established by the Land Use Ordinance has been prepared. The Board of Aldermen must receive public comment before deciding on this draft ordinance.

INFORMATION

On November 11, 2008, the Board of Aldermen held a worksession to discuss information related to advisory board minutes and procedures, training, appointments, and attendance (*Attachment C*). The Board of Aldermen identified five follow-up actions, including Town Code amendments relating to term limits for advisory board chairs.

The draft ordinance (*Attachment B*) establishes a limit of two, consecutive terms for citizens serving as chair of the Planning Board, Board of Adjustment, Appearance Commission, Environmental Advisory Board, and Northern Transition Area Advisory Committee. Similar amendments to the Town Code related to the service of chairs of the Transportation Advisory Board, The draft also responds to a recent discussion of the Planning Board on the need to make its bylaws and LUO-defined structure consistent with one another. The Planning Board's request on this matter is attached (*Attachment D*).

The draft ordinance was submitted to Orange County and the Planning Board for review. Recommendations and comments are attached (*Attachment E*).

FISCAL AND STAFF IMPACT

None are expected.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen consider adoption of the attached resolutions and draft ordinance (*Attachments A and B*) and make a decision regarding term limits for advisory board chairs.