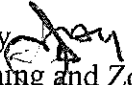


**ACTION ITEM
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

DATE: August 18, 2009


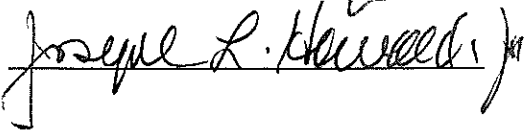
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Jeffrey A. Harvey 
Director of Planning and Zoning
ISSUE: Refer an Ordinance to the Planning Commission Concerning Subdivision Signs

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: N/A

BUDGET IMPACT: N/A

ATTACHMENTS: (3)

- [1] Background Report [2] Reso/Ord/Proc # R09-313
- [] [3] Reso/Ord/Proc # 009-53
- [] [] Reso/Ord/Proc #

REVIEW: [X] County Administrator's Office 
[X] Legal 

- [] Consent Agenda [] Other Business [] Public Hearing
- [] Discussion Item [] Presentation [X] Unfinished Business
- [] New Business

PRESENTATION BY: N/A

ELECTION DISTRICT: N/A

BACKGROUND REPORT

Supervisor Sterling has requested a discussion regarding content of subdivision signs. Currently the County Code does not regulate content on a subdivision sign. Proposed Resolution R09-313 is a referral to the Planning Commission for consideration, as well as proposed Ordinance O09-53 which would amend the definition of subdivision sign to include the name as found on the recorded plat of such subdivision.

PROPOSED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF STAFFORD
STAFFORD, VIRGINIA

RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Stafford County Board of Supervisors (the Board) held in the Board Chambers, Stafford County Administration Center, Stafford, Virginia, on the 18th day of August, 2009:

MEMBERS:

George H. Schwartz, Chairman
Harry E. Crisp II, Vice Chairman
M. S. "Joe" Brito
Mark Dudenhefer
Paul V. Milde III
Cord A. Sterling
Robert "Bob" Woodson

VOTE:

On motion of , seconded by , which carried by a vote of , the following was adopted:

A RESOLUTION TO REFER AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION REGARDING STAFFORD COUNTY CODE, SECTION 28-25, "DEFINITIONS OF SPECIFIC TERMS"

WHEREAS, the Zoning Ordinance provides for size and location of a subdivision sign; and

WHEREAS, the Zoning Ordinance does not require specific sign content on a subdivision sign; and

WHEREAS, public necessity, convenience, general welfare and good zoning practices require the adoption of the proposed amendment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 18th day of August, 2009, that the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance by proposed Ordinance O09-53 be and it hereby is referred to the Planning Commission for its consideration.

AJR:JAH:rth

PROPOSED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF STAFFORD
STAFFORD, VIRGINIA

ORDINANCE

At a regular meeting of the Stafford County Board of Supervisors (the Board) held in the Board Chambers, Stafford County Administration Center, Stafford, Virginia, on the day of _____, 2009:

MEMBERS:

VOTE:

George H. Schwartz, Chairman
Harry E. Crisp II, Vice Chairman
M.S. "Joe" Brito
Mark Dudenhefer
Paul V. Milde III
Cord A. Sterling
Robert "Bob" Woodson

On motion of _____, seconded by _____, which carried by a vote of _____, the following was adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REORDAIN STAFFORD COUNTY CODE, SECTION 28-25, DEFINITIONS OF SPECIFIC TERMS

WHEREAS, the Zoning Ordinance provides for size and location of a subdivision sign; and

WHEREAS, the Zoning Ordinance does not require specific sign content for a subdivision sign; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that public necessity, convenience, general welfare, and good zoning practice require adoption of such an ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 18 day of August, 2009, that Section 28-25 is hereby amended and reordained as follows, with all other portions remaining the same:

Section 28-25. Definitions of specific terms.

When used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meaning herein ascribed:

Sign, subdivision. A sign sixty (60) square feet or less in aggregate area identifying a subdivision and located thereon at the entrance to such subdivision with the name as found on the recorded plat. Said sign shall be no greater in height than six (6) feet and shall be set back from any right-of-way for proper sight distance. Any change of sign copy will require a sign permit.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective on

_____.

AJR:JAH:rth