OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION APRIL 4, 2017 AGENDA

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
An ordinance Amending Chapter 36, Section 36-513 of the Code of Ordinances, regarding the parking of certain motor vehicles in the right-of-way in residential zones.	√ Ordinance Resolution Approval Information Report	
Submitted By:		
Planning & Development Department		Bruce T. Moore City Manager
SYNOPSIS	Staff is proposing an amendment to Chapter 36, Section 36-513 to prohibit certain motor vehicles from being parked or stored in the right-of-way in residential zones for a period exceeding twenty-four (24) hours.	
FISCAL IMPACT	None.	
RECOMMENDATION	Staff recommends approval of the amendment to the ordinance. On January 25, 2017, the Plans Committee reviewed the proposal. The consensus of the Committee was to move forward with the proposed amendment. On February 16, 2017, the Planning Commission voted 9 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absent to recommend approval of the ordinance amendment. There were no objectors present. Staff had received only one (1) response to the notice which had been sent to the contact list. That response was positive.	
BACKGROUND	Chapter 36, Section 36-513, commonly known as the "Parking In Yards" code, regulates the parking of motor vehicles on residential properties.	

BACKGROUND CONTINUED

For the purpose of this section in the code, "motor vehicle" means a passenger vehicle, truck, boat, camper, recreational vehicle, motorcycle, golf cart, all-terrain vehicle, trailer or other similar vehicle. Section 36-513 specifically regulates the parking of motor vehicles on the portion of the residential lot located between the pavement of the street and a line parallel to the face of the principal structure.

In response to complaints, staff is proposing an amendment to Section 36-513, adding a provision to restrict the parking of certain motor vehicles in the right-of-way in residential zones for a period exceeding twenty-four (24) hours.

Staff proposes adding a new subsection "h" to read as follows:

(h) For purposes of this section, boats, boat trailers and camping trailers are prohibited from being parked/stored in the public right-of-way for a period exceeding twenty-four (24) hours. This does not include motorized or self-propelled recreational vehicles.

Notice of the proposed amendment was sent to a contact list of forty-four (44) neighborhood coalitions, design professionals, realtors and other interested parties.