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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor & City Council

From: Rebecca Keefer, AICP

Date: July 13, 2015

Subject: Public Hearing for Transmittal of Comprehensive Plan Five Year Update

BACKGROUND

The City kicked off the public process to update the Comprehensive Plan in December 2014. Since that time, the project team has held four Sounding Board meetings and six workshops to garner input for the plan recommendations. In addition to the formal meetings, the project team hosted non-traditional input sessions by setting up booths at community events to reach different audiences. The document has been drafted with careful consideration of the input received to this point.

In accordance with the requirements of the Department of Community Affairs (DCA), the City is required to conduct a Public Hearing to discuss the draft transmittal to the appropriate regulatory agencies. The transmittal must be accompanied by a formal Resolution adopted by City Council.

ITEM DESCRIPTION

The Public Hearing was originally advertised for July 13, but the project team would like to defer the action to allow additional time to review and comment on the draft of the Comprehensive Plan prior to presenting it to City Council. Staff proposes to defer the Public Hearing until the July 27, 2015 City Council Meeting. The project team will take the feedback from the July 27 meeting and will return with the transmittal resolution and plan amendments on August 10, 2015.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends City Council defer the Public Hearing for the transmittal of the Comprehensive Plan Five Year Update until the July 27, 2015 meeting.