

Proposed Denver Zoning Code Text Amendment #1

Mailed Rezoning Notice Sponsored by Councilman Rafael Espinoza

> June 18th, 2018 Denver City Council





Purpose of Text Amendment

- Initiated by Councilman Rafael Espinoza
- Adding a requirement for mailed notice to *property owners* within a 200-foot radius of an Official Map Amendment (rezoning)
- Goal is to improve notification for neighbors during the Official Map Amendment (rezoning) process
- Applies to Official Map Amendment (Rezoning) process only
 - Complete Application
 - Planning Board Hearing





Summary of Current Process

- Two types of public notice (Section 12.2.9.):
 - Informational Notice
 - Notice of Public Hearing

TYPE OF PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIRED == Notice Required Blank Cell = Notice Not Required				
Written and Posted Notice of Receipt of Application	Posted Notice of Final Ad- ministrative Decision	Written	Posted	Published
 Written Notice Only 		•	•	•
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Public Process

February 15 th , 2018	CPD updated website with a summary of proposed text amendment and provides direction on where to submit comments/questions during the process
February 24 th , 2018	CPD attended Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation (INC) Zoning and Planning Committee for briefing with the sponsor
March 19 th , 2018	Summary of text amendment and redline draft of text amendment posted to CPD website for public review and email notice sent to all Registered Neighborhood Organizations and all Denver City Councilmembers
April 2 nd , 2018	CPD written notice of the Planning Board public hearing sent to all members of City Council and registered neighborhood organizations
April 18 th , 2018	Planning Board voted 9 to 0 to recommend approval to Denver City Council with the condition that the Planning Board Review Draft be edited for clarity, correctness, illustrative graphics, section references, and other non-substantive matters as well as any other changes to the Planning Board Review Draft made necessary by such edits
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Public Process

May 8 th , 2018	Land Use, Transportation, and Infrastructure Committee of the Denver City Council meeting recommended the committee move the bill forward for consideration by full City Council
June 18 th , 2018	City Council public hearing





Public Process

- Five letters (via email) of support:
 - INC Full Delegation
 - Overland Park RNO
 - Capitol Hill United Neighborhoods RNO
 - Highland United Neighbors, Inc. RNO
 - Private property owner





Review Criteria

- Consistent with City's Adopted Plans and Policies
 - Comprehensive Plan 2000
 - Amendment enhances communication between the City and property owners
 - Amendment reinforces transparency and improves outreach
 - Blueprint Denver
 - Amendment provides public with another opportunity to share ideas, questions and concerns surrounding a rezoning
 - Amendment gives citizens an opportunity to interact directly in the process





Review Criteria

- Furthers the Public Health, Safety and General Welfare
 - Amendment reinforces transparency
 - Amendment encourages active citizen participation in the rezoning process





Review Criteria

- Results in Regulations that are Uniform with Each Zone District
 - Applicable to each zone district
 - Improves communication during early stages of rezoning process regardless of which zone district the subject property is located





Based on the review criteria for text amendments stated in the Denver Zoning Code, Section 12.4.11 (Text Amendment), staff recommend the Denver City Council approve the Mailed Rezoning Notice Text Amendment #1 to the Denver Zoning Code

