

AGENDA STATEMENT

City of Bellaire

MEETING: City Council - May 06 2024

PREPARED BY: Brian Witt

DEPARTMENT: City Council

ITEM TITLE:

Ordinance amending the Comprehensive Plan of the City concerning multi-family development - Submitted by Brian Witt, Council Member.

RECOMMENDATION:

Brian Witt, Council Member, recommends that City Council adopt the ordinance.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

On April 1, 2024, the City Council adopted an ordinance amending the Comprehensive Plan for the City. Twenty-one amendments were made to the original motion, with 19 of those passing.

Amendment No. 21 failed on a vote of 3-4. The amendment read as follows:

"Delete the bullet point removing multi-family residential as a potential use in CMU and revising the standards for this in UV-D and replacing it with "Consider reductions to the maximum density and other standards for multi-family residential uses within CMU and UV-D and revisiting the allowance for by right multi-family development. "

Council Members voting in favor of the amendment were Winfred C. Frazier, Mayor Pro Tem, Ross Gordon, Council Member, and Cindy Cohen Taylor, Council Member. Council Members opposed to the amendment were Gus E. Pappas, Mayor, Catherine Lewis, Council Member, Brian Witt, Council Member, and Jackie Georgiou, Council Member.

As a member who voted with the majority (on the prevailing side), Council Member Witt requested a reconsideration of the motion (i.e., *Section O, Reconsideration of an Action of City Council, Rules of Procedure of the City Council, as of March 18, 2024*). The request for reconsideration passed on April 15, 2024. Mayor Gus E. Pappas directed staff to bring the motion back to the City Council for final consideration on May 6, 2024.

Ultimately, Council Member Witt would like to further amend the ordinance to read as follows:

Consider reductions to the maximum density and other standards for multi-family residential uses within CMU and UV-D, including the removal of by right multi-family development.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:

City Council adopted the Comprehensive Plan on April 1, 2024, and voted to reconsider one of the motions on April 15, 2024, with final consideration of the motion to occur on May 6, 2024.

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW:

Yes

No

City of Bellaire

ORDINANCE NO. 24-_____

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLAIRE, TEXAS,
AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY CONCERNING MULTI-FAMILY
DEVELOPMENT.**

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2024, the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, adopted an amended Comprehensive Plan for the City of Bellaire, Texas, by passage of Ordinance No. 24-018; and

WHEREAS, at the City Council meeting immediately following the April 1, 2024, City Council meeting, in accordance with the City Council's rules of procedure, a motion was made and passed to reconsider the vote on Amendment No. 21 to the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, upon reconsideration, the City Council determined that the amended Comprehensive Plan as adopted on April 1, 2024, should be further amended.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLAIRE,
TEXAS:**

Section 1. THAT the Amended Comprehensive Plan of the City adopted on April 1, 2024, is further amended as follows:

Delete the bullet point on page 11 removing multi-family residential as a potential use in CMU and revising the standards for this in UV-D and replacing it with "Consider reductions to the maximum density and other standards for multi-family residential uses within CMU and UV-D and revisiting the allowance for by right multi-family development."

Section 2. THAT this Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 6th day of May, 2024.

SIGNED:

Gus E. Pappas
Mayor

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ATTEST:

Tracy L. Dutton, TRMC
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Alan P. Petrov
City Attorney