Attachment D

May 9, 2019, Planning Commission Minutes

RMD Zoning Code Amendment (PA2019-065) Site Location: Citywide

Summary:

ITEM NO. 5

Amend the Newport Beach Municipal Code (NBMC), Title 20 Zoning Code, to rename the RMD (Multiple Residential Detached) Zoning District to RMD (Medium Density Residential) and modify the purpose statement of the RMD zone to allow for attached and detached residential development.

Recommended Action:

- 1. Conduct a public hearing;
- 2. Find this project exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15305 under Class 5 (Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations) of the CEQA Guidelines, because it has no potential to have a significant effect on the environment; and
- 3. Adopt Resolution No. PC2019-012 recommending the City Council approve Zoning Code Amendment No. CA2019-003.

Deputy Community Development Director Campbell reported the Planning Commission directed staff to initiate a Code amendment to correct the error in the RMD zone by renaming the Multiple Residential Detached (RMD) Zoning District as the Medium-Density Residential (RMD) Zoning District. In 2010, the name of the zoning district was incorrectly transcribed, and the amendment would allow detached and attached units as originally intended.

In response to Commissioner Kramer's inquiry, Community Development Director Jurjis advised that staff will present the amendment to the City Council along with the planning application for the Mesa Drive Townhomes project.

Vice Chair Weigand opened the public hearing.

Jim Mosher suggested paragraph 1 of the Resolution recommending approval state "...2010 Zoning Code Update was intended to include..." The designation is also incorrect in Table 4-1 of Code Section 20.48.040. In Table 1-1 of Code Section 20.14.020, RMD should be RM-D.

Deputy Community Development Director Campbell concurred with correcting paragraph 1 of the Resolution. In Table 4-1, RM-D can be revised to RMD without re-initiating an ordinance. Should Table 1-1 need correcting, staff will include it in the ordinance presented to the City Council.

Travis Zipper supported amending the name of the RMD Zoning District.

Vice Chair Weigand closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Commissioner Kramer and seconded by Commissioner Koetting to find this project exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15305 under Class 5 (Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations) of the CEQA Guidelines; and adopt Resolution No. PC2019-012 recommending the City Council approve Zoning Code Amendment No. CA2019-003.

AYES:Weigand, Lowrey, Koetting, and KramerNOES:ABSTAIN:ABSENT:Zak, Ellmore, and Kleiman

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

IX. STAFF AND COMMISSIONER ITEMS

ITEM NO. 6 MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

None