Summary of Planning Commission Recommendation Single Family Code Amendments October 21, 2013

The Planning Commission voted unanimously (7 to 0) to recommend approval of the Single Family Code Amendments, with the following modifications:

Secondary Dwelling Units

- Building Size: Change primary residence to principal residence
- Ownership/Occupancy: Use majority ownership instead of percentage when determining ownership.
- Minimum Wall Length: Modify to require a 2 foot deep by 5 foot wide minimum articulation on walls over 25 feet in length. Full height is intended to mean from floor to ceiling (allowing for cantilever floor joists).

Alley Access Lots

- Distance from Street/Fire Access: Clarify distance requirement for lot and modify to require sprinklers in dwelling if any portion of house is beyond 150 feet of alley/street intersection
- Lot Standards: Establish maximum lot size for new alley access lot size as 5,000 square feet
- Development Standards: Allow windows, dormers and balconies on second story of alley lot dwelling on any non-alley facing property line only with the written approval of the affected adjacent property owner, in lieu of requiring an adjustment review.

Accessory Buildings

Building size/setbacks: For lots 13,500 square feet or less in area, limit the total square footage of all accessory buildings to 1000 square feet. For lots greater than 13,500 square feet to 43,560 square feet, limit the total square footage of all accessory buildings to 10 percent of the lot area, not to exceed 3,000 square feet, and require 10 foot setback and 10:12 roof pitch. For lots greater than 43,600 square feet (one acre) in size, no limit on square footage of accessory buildings, but require 10 foot setback and 10:12 roof pitch.

University Area Interim Protection Measures

- Timing/Sunset: Establish sunset date that interim measures would remain in effect for 42 months after the date of adoption.
- Bedroom Count: Support 3 bedroom limit for new dwellings/remodels, with following exception: For
 any remodel that adds a bedroom or bedrooms beyond 3 bedrooms, the maximum number of
 unrelated individuals living in dwelling would be limited to 3 (instead of 5) as long as interim protection
 measures are in effect, and property owner would be required to record deed restriction stating such.
- Occupancy: Add provision to require property owner to provide city with copy of current lease(s) or rental agreement(s) as a means of verifying occupancy (add as city wide provision)
- Secondary Dwelling Units: Add development standards (see Exhibit 1 for draft development standards) to allow for secondary dwellings during the interim, subject to the 42 month sunset date.