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TO: Planning and Sustainability Commission

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SUBJECT: Accessory Structures Zoning Code Update Project and Proposed Amendment

On September 22, 2015 the PSC will hold a public hearing on the Accessory Structures Zoning Code Update Project. Staff will present a short overview and leave the bulk of the hearing for testimony, follow up questions, Commission deliberation and recommendation.

Attached please find the *Proposed Draft* and a two-page summary handout for the **Accessory Structures Zoning Code Update Project**. The project, a collaboration between the Bureaus of Planning & Sustainability and Development Services, proposes to streamline the zoning code regulations for accessory structures, with an emphasis on detached accessory structures associated with residential development. The amendments create one set of regulations to apply to all detached covered accessory structures with a focus on building form (setbacks, height and bulk) rather than function (how it is used). While the focus of the project is on residential development and zones, changes are also made to other zones for consistency.

Staff is proposing one amendment to the code within the *Proposed Draft*. This request was made by a member of our focus group and agreed upon by project staff. The amendment provides more flexibility to the additional development standards listed on Page 28-29 of the *Proposed Draft* for larger detached covered accessory structures.

Under Item 4.a.(2) on Page 29, we propose adding shingles as a finish material allowed as an acceptable siding style. Shingles are included within the list of acceptable styles in the Community Design Standards on which these options were modeled. The revised language proposed is (with addition/deletion shown as underlined/strikethrough):

- (2) Siding must be made from wood, composite boards, vinyl or aluminum products and the siding must be composed in a shingle pattern, or in a horizontal clapboard or shiplap pattern~~where the~~. The boards in the pattern must be 6 inches or less in width.

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