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DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BULLETIN

Bulletin No. 1-2024

SUBJECT: Development Review Application Acceptance

RESOURCE: Development Review Division

DATE: April 25, 2024

Effective immediately, the Planning Department is providing information to the development community regarding the acceptance of applications for review under the prior Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations. Previously, the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations allowed certain applications to be filed and reviewed under the prior Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations until April 1, 2024.

On March 26, 2024, the District Council adopted Council Resolutions CR-22-2024 and CR-25-2024, respectively. These resolutions extended the 2-year overlap period of the prior and current Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations for another two years. Both Sections 27-1900 and 24-1900 remain in effect until April 1, 2026, providing applicants the opportunity to acquire development approvals under the requirements of the prior laws until April 1, 2026. The subsequent bills will be necessary to codify the extensions and are currently under review.

Prior to the April 1, 2024, deadline, staff received many requests for acceptance of applications to be reviewed under the prior Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations, notwithstanding acceptance status. To provide both the applicant and staff with time to submit and review necessary information for review, staff has requested applicants to provide a waiver of the mandatory action limit for certain development review applications. By doing so, it allows staff, the applicant, and the public with additional time to review the application as well as coordinate potential concerns and opportunities prior to the public hearing.

If there are questions, please contact James Hunt, Development Review Planning Division Chief, at james.hunt@ppd.mncppc.org.