

## PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT STAFF REPORT

## **Request Summary**

In an effort to eliminate common variances that are routinely approved, staff proposes to amend the fence and lighting portions of the zoning code. A summary of the changes to each section is below:

- Chapter 1171 Fences
  - o Allow for privacy fences in the side yard and the second front yard of a corner lot
    - Eliminates the need for a variance
  - Clarification/Streamline
    - Delete sections that are no longer relevant
    - Clarify language for ease of comprehension and permitting
- Chapter 1163 Lighting
  - Modify where lighting measurements are taken
    - At property line rather than parking lot surface
    - Change minimizes the potential for light pollution by having a standard apply to the entire site
  - Increase minimum standard from .5 to 1.0 foot candles
    - Standard ensures safety while minimizing potential for light pollution

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