

Buncombe County Agenda Item Information Sheet

AGENDA ITEM:

Proposed text amendment to the Zoning Ordinance regarding the Blue Ridge Parkway Overlay District

MEETING DATE:

September 1, 2015

REQUESTED BY:

County Planning Department

Background information

During the March 2015 Board of Commissioners retreat possible zoning actions were identified which included the increase of protections in the Blue Ridge Parkway Overlay District. Planning staff and the Planning Board were specifically asked to review potential revisions to the District by the Board at their May 5, 2015 meeting. The Planning Board has discussed the District at length and voted on August 17, 2015 to approve the proposed changes included herein.

Pros

See staff recommendation and Planning Board resolution recommending approval.

Cons

None.

Funds required

No funds are required

Alternatives

If the Board of Commissioners votes to deny the amendment, the Zoning Ordinance does not allow the Planning Board or Board of Commissioners to reconsider the same amendment within 12 months of the denial.

Action recommended:

The Planning Board recommended approval of the proposed text amendment at their August 17 2015 meeting in a vote of 5 to 2.