

# MEMORANDUM

## Development Services

**MEMORANDUM NO.** 17-254

**DATE:** June 29, 2017

**TO:** Greg Harrison, City Manager

**FROM:** Robin M. Bird, Development Services Director 

**SUBJECT:** July 11<sup>th</sup> Commission Item  
Text Amendments - Athletic Courts and Fencing

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At the April 11<sup>th</sup> 2017 City Commission agenda, the Commission considered Text Amendments related to Athletic Courts and Fencing requirements. At that meeting, a motion was made to postpone the item for ninety (90) days to allow Planning & Zoning Board to review and make recommendations to the City Commission.

Pursuant to direction from Brian Donovan, Assistant City Manager, we are requesting this item be tabled or stricken from the agenda at this time so that the department can focus on other larger city-wide projects. As the Commission is aware, the Development Services Department has numerous major city-wide efforts that have been prioritized by the City Commission and included within the Strategic Plan. One of such efforts is the adoption and implementation of the City's short term rental strategy. This project includes activities ranging from adopting a short term rental ordinance, completing a study on community residential homes, hosting ongoing staff task force meetings and community meetings, amending a reasonable accommodation process, and undergoing a study associated with the moratorium on apartment conversions. Another major effort includes the adoption of the East Transit Oriented Corridor (ETOC) zoning and land use plan amendment. This project will include substantial staff time spend towards drafting the regulations and conducting public outreach. It will include a series of community workshops and/or public hearings almost every month until the anticipated adoption in November/December. Additionally, the department is about to release a Request for Proposals for a complete update to the City's Comprehensive Plan and is also working on a Development Services Improvement Plan. Since all of these efforts are significant city-wide objectives, in accordance with City Management direction, I recommend striking the athletic courts ordinance at this time in order to allow the department more time to first fully focus on ensuring these major objectives are being met.