City Council – Action Request Form

Date: January 14, 2020

To: The Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Damon Dequenne, Assistant City Manager Aaron King, Director of Planning and Development Services

Council Action Requested:

Ordinance Revising Chapter B of the Unified Development Ordinances to Regulate Residential Fences and Walls in Front Yards on Property with a Residential Building that is a Single Family, Duplex, Twin Home, Triplex, Quadraplex, or Townhouse Use - UDO-290

Strategic Focus Area: Livable Neighborhoods **Strategic Objective:** Improve Character and Condition of Neighborhoods **Strategic Plan Action Item:** No **Key Work Item:** No



Summary of Information:

At the February 12, 2019, meeting of the Community Development/Housing/General Government (CD/H/GG) Committee, staff was directed to take the UDO text amendment dealing with the issue of residential fences and walls located within the front yard through the Planning Board review process. As a result of that direction, staff prepared UDO-290 which contained the proposed ordinance language that had been previously discussed at various meetings of the CD/H/GG Committee. Planning staff briefed the Planning Board at their March 28th Work Session on UDO-290. Subsequently, the Planning Board held a public hearing on UDO-290 at their April 11th meeting. The Planning Board heard from three speakers who were in opposition to UDO-290 and also received written opposition from the Winston-Salem Neighborhood Alliance regarding the amendment. The Planning Board voted 7-0 to recommend denial of UDO-290. Staff is bringing this item back to the CD/H/GG Committee for further discussion and direction. In the intervening months since the April Planning Board meeting, staff has worked to compile a revised ordinance that seeks to address issues raised at the Planning Board Public Hearing. Said revised draft is attached.

Committee Action:			
Committee	CDHGG 1/14/2020	Action	Denial
For	Unanimous	Against	
Remarks:			