



**DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

TO: Planning Commission
FROM: Planning Staff
SUBJECT: Residential Neighborhood Compatibility Ordinance
DATE: May 15, 2008

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

On April 17, 2008, the Planning Commission conducted a study session for the draft Residential Neighborhood Compatibility Ordinance and related guidelines. The purposes of the proposed Zoning Ordinance amendments were to ensure that new single-family homes and additions to existing single-family homes are built to scale with the surrounding neighborhood. The Planning Commission recommended prior to scheduling a public hearing, that staff hold a publicly noticed round-table workshop to seek more input from residents regarding the proposed changes.

Staff will notice a public workshop for the Residential Neighborhood Compatibility Ordinance to be held in the evening of June 4, 2008. The input received from the community will be presented to the Planning Commission for discussion purposes, prior to scheduling and noticing a new public hearing. However, some Planning Commissioners had expressed an interest in attending the first public workshop. The workshop is not intended to be a Planning Commission meeting. As such, if Planning Commissioners desire to attend, staff requests that no more than two Commissioners be selected to attend as observers.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Planning Commission adopt a motion to select no more than two Planning Commissioners to attend the Residential Neighborhood Compatibility Ordinance workshop to be scheduled for June 4, 2008.