Zoning Text Amendment proposed by the City-County Planning Board regarding setback requirements for the uses "Residential Building, Multifamily"; "Residential Building, Townhouse"; and "Residential Building, Twin Home" (UDO-71).

After consideration, the Planning Board recommended approval of the zoning text amendment.

ATTACHMENTS:  X  YES  ___ NO

SIGNATURE:  ___________________________  DATE:  _________________  

UDO 71 Feb 2001
ACTION REQUEST FORM

DATE: February 21, 2001
TO: The Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen
FROM: A. Paul Norby, AICP, Director of Planning

BOARD ACTION REQUEST:

Request for Public Hearing on Zoning Text Amendment proposed by the City-County Planning Board regarding setback requirements for the uses "Residential Building, Multifamily"; "Residential Building, Townhouse"; and "Residential Building, Twin Home" (UDO-71).

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

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PLANNING BOARD ACTION:

MOTION ON PETITION: APPROVAL
FOR: UNANIMOUS
AGAINST: NONE
SITE PLAN ACTION: NOT REQUIRED
STAFF REPORT

DOCKET: UDO-71
STAFF: Glenn Simmons

REQUEST

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RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends APPROVAL.
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PUBLIC HEARING

FOR: None

AGAINST: None

WORK SESSION

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SECONED: James Rousseau
VOTE:
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PERTAINING TO SETBACK REQUIREMENTS FOR
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Be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of Forsyth County, North Carolina that the Unified Development Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

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STAFF REPORT

DOCKET: UDO-71
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RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends APPROVAL.
Glenn Simmons presented the staff report.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

FOR: None

AGAINST: None

**WORK SESSION**

MOTION: Steve Johnson moved approval of the zoning text amendment.
SECOND: James Rousseau
VOTE:
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   AGAINST: None
   EXCUSED: None

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STAFF REPORT

DOCKET: UDO-71
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RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends APPROVAL.
Glenn Simmons presented the staff report.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

FOR:  None

AGAINST:  None

**WORK SESSION**

MOTION:  Steve Johnson moved approval of the zoning text amendment.
SECOND:  James Rousseau
VOTE:
   FOR:  Johnson, King, Powell, Rousseau, Schroeder, Snelgrove
   AGAINST:  None
   EXCUSED:  None

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**PUBLIC HEARING**

FOR: None

AGAINST: None

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VOTE:
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