



AGENDA ITEM FORM

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PURPOSE OF ITEM:

- INFORMATION ONLY
- DISCUSSION ONLY
- DISCUSSION AND/OR DECISION
 - Introduction Resolution
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PRESENTER: Laura O'Dell

PRESENTER TITLE: Town Planner/Zoning Administrator

AGENDA ITEM:

Amendment to Temporary Uses Sect. 70-22(3), Yard Sales

BACKGROUND / SUMMARY:

In recent months, it has been noticed that yard sales have been held in Town and that there is no clear ordinance regulating the use of yard sales. A majority of these yard sales has occurred along Rt. 1 and has created a concern for public safety. In the past residents who have come to the Town Hall requesting a permit for a yard sale have been requested to fill out a Temporary Use Permit application for their event, however there is no supporting language in the Town Code requiring residents to do so. There is also no language to regulate the use, frequency, and location of yard sales in Town.

Language has been proposed to be added to Temporary Uses Sect. 70-22(3) regulating the use of yard sales and requiring residents to obtain an approved Temporary Use Permit prior to the event. The yard sale ordinance has been presented, reviewed, and discussed by the Planning Commission June 10, July 15, and August 12, 2013. On September 9, 2013, the Planning Commission passed a resolution to move the amendments to Temporary Uses Sect. 70-22(3) to the Town Council for review. September 17, 2013, Town Council reviewed the proposed amendment at the work session and requested a definition for yard sales, and requested that yard sales be prohibited on major thoroughfares. Attached you will find a the proposed ordinance.

ATTACHMENTS:

Memorandum with proposed amendment

REQUESTED ACTION: NO ACTION REQUESTED

Provide comments and direction for Staff

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

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FOR USE DURING MEETING

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VOTE:

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Town Council
FROM: Laura O'Dell, Town Planner/Zoning Administrator
DATE: January 21, 2014
RE: Review of Amendment to Temporary Uses Sect. 70-22(3)

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Sec. 70-22 - Temporary Uses

(3) Yard sale: the sale of used or unwanted household goods being personal items, held on private property. The temporary sale of goods will be allowed only in residential districts, and may not be held on: Rt. 1, Main Street, Fraley Boulevard, Graham Park Road, and Rt. 234. Yard sales may be held, provided that:

- a. A permit is obtained from the town prior to the event, and will be issued free of charge.
- b. Permits shall only be issued to property owner/s or to a tenant with written permission by the property owner/s.
- c. No more than three permits will be issued per lot in a 12 month period.
- d. All yard sale permits are temporary in nature and shall be valid for no longer than two days.
- e. All merchandise and staging equipment must be removed at the conclusion of the sale.



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- f. A setback of 10' must be maintained from any street, front, side, or rear yard.
- g. Temporary signs may be allowed in accordance with Sec. 70-14 of the Zoning Ordinance, however signs for yard sales may not be displayed longer than 5 days prior to the event, and must be removed once the sale is over.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Town Council review the amendment to Temporary Uses Sect. 70-22(3), yard sales, and provide direction.