



AGENDA SECTION	PUBLIC HEARING
MEETING DATE	JANUARY 11, 2021

CITY OF COLUMBIA HEIGHTS - COUNCIL LETTER

ITEM:	First Reading of Ordinance No. 1663, an Ordinance amending chapter 9.110 of the City Code of 2001 to establish health/fitness clubs not exceeding 4,000 square feet in area as a conditional use in the City's LB, Limited Business zoning district.		
DEPARTMENT:	Community Development	CITY MANAGER'S APPROVAL:	
BY/DATE:	Aaron Chirpich, 1/7/2021	BY/DATE:	<i>Kell Bonyea</i> 1/8/21
CITY STRATEGY:	#2: Economic Strength		
Additional Strategy?	N/A		
SHORT TERM GOAL (IF APPLICABLE):	N/A		
Additional Goal?	N/A		

BACKGROUND:

The City has received an application for a zoning ordinance amendment to accommodate the introduction of Health and Fitness Clubs into the City's Limited Business zoning districts. The applicant desires to convert the existing multi-tenant commercial building located at 700 40th Avenue NE into a small "boutique gym." To allow the for the change in use, the City's zoning code will have to be amended. Staff is supportive of the requested change to the City Code, and has drafted an ordinance amendment that would allow Health and Fitness Clubs in the Limited Business district as a conditional use.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on January 5, 2021 as required by City Ordinance. At the meeting, the Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend that the City Council approve the text amendment outlined in draft Ordinance 1663 as presented.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of Ordinance No. 1663, on first consideration.

RECOMMENDED MOTION(S):

Motion: Move to close the public hearing and waive the reading of Ordinance 1663, there being ample copies available to the public.

Motion: Move to set the second reading of Ordinance 1663, an Ordinance amending chapter 9.110 of the City Code of 2001 to establish health/fitness clubs not exceeding 4,000 square feet in area as a conditional use in the City's LB Limited Business zoning district, for January 25th 2021, at approximately 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

ATTACHMENTS:

Ordinance No. 1663
Planning Report