



ITEM SUMMARY

MEETING DATE: March 18, 2024

FROM: Denise Malone, AICP, Development and Neighborhood Services Director

SUBJECT: **Ordinance 2024-11 – ZTA-24-02 – Second Reading**
Yards

BACKGROUND

The City-initiated request for a Zoning Text Amendment has been brought forth to provide specific standards for fences surrounding athletic facilities within residential zones. The amendment aims to address the unique requirements presented by fencing around athletic facilities when located within residential zones. Currently, these fences for athletic facilities are subject to a height limitation of four (4) feet when positioned in the front yard and this amendment aims to align these regulations with the standard requirements currently in place for fencing around public recreational facilities, ensuring a consistent approach citywide. Specifically, the proposed changes revolve around Chapter 16, Article IV, Section 16-630(h)(6), which typically governs fence height limitations in residential zoning districts.

To address the specific needs of athletic facilities, a new subsection (d) is being introduced to the code. This subsection establishes a maximum height of ten (10) feet for fences surrounding recreational and athletic facilities (excluding swimming pools) in all yards.

The Development Review Committee has reviewed these text amendments and is recommending approval. The Planning and Zoning Board of Appeals reviewed this staff-initiated text amendment on February 8, 2024, and recommended approval by a vote of 5-0. The City Council voted four (4) to zero (0) to recommend approval of Zoning Text Amendment ZTA-24-02 as presented by staff on March 4, 2024.

ANALYSIS

City-initiated request for a Zoning Text Amendment to provide specific standards for fences surrounding athletic facilities within residential zones, ensuring consistency with the standards governing other types of recreational facilities.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

N/A.

LEGAL

Ordinance 2024-11 was prepared in accordance with all applicable state statutes and City Code Requirements.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of Ordinance 2024-11.