

The next item on the agenda was **Front Yard Structures (8-336)**. City Planner Smith provided an overview of the front yard structure ordinance, including what is currently exempt, and prepared a recommendation on mini-libraries and raised flower/garden beds. The proposed amendment to Article XI Section 8-335 was reviewed. Discussion ensued around the regulation of the size of structures as well as the construction and maintenance of front yard structures. Today, mini-libraries and raised bed structures are not permitted. City Planner Smith will request City Attorney Tomlinson to provide clarification on the definition of “structure”.

MOTION by Gilezan, seconded by Bailey, that the Planning Commission recommends that the ordinance restricting front yard structures include in the exemptions a free mini-library, and no more than one per property, that is less than 5 feet in height and no more than 4 square feet in total area. Subject to Building Department permit.

Motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Bailey, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, McNelis, O’Keefe, Vitale
NO: None
ABSENT: Fenton, Gerhart

MOTION by Gilezan, seconded by McNelis, that it is the recommendation of the Planning Commission that the current ordinance restricting front yard structures not be expanded to include within its exemptions raised planters.

Motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Bailey, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, McNelis, Vitale
NO: None
ABSENT: Fenton, Gerhart
ABSTAIN: O’Keefe