

# City Council Agenda Memo

**From:** Ryan Miller, City Planner

**Council Meeting:** June 22, 2021 / July 13, 2021

**Subject:** Ordinance 21-023, an Ordinance amending Chapter 94-7(b) of the City of Brookings and pertaining to the procedure for a Zoning Change

**Person(s) Responsible:** Mike Struck, Community Development Director

## **Summary:**

The City is proposing an amendment to Chapter 94-7(b), amending the deadline to submit rezoning requests from the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the month to the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the month prior to the next Planning Commission meeting.

## **Background:**

Currently, the ordinance establishes a deadline of the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the month prior the next Planning Commission meeting. The Development Review Team meets on Thursdays as needed. The current deadline creates a rushed timeline to seek Development Review Team review and recommendation prior to finalizing planning commission packets.

## **Item Details:**

The ordinance amendment will change the application deadline from the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month to the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month prior to a Planning Commission meeting. This will allow sufficient time for the Development Review Team to review and make recommendations on items that will go to the Planning Commission the following month.

The Planning Commission has made a recommendation to approve the ordinance change; however, a few commission members did note a potential impact to the development community by requiring rezoning requests to be submitted an additional two weeks in advance. The proposal is intended to allow for an efficient and thorough vetting of rezoning requests prior to their appearance on Planning Commission and City Council agendas.

## **Legal Consideration:**

None.

**Strategic Plan Consideration:**

Service and Innovation Excellence – the proposed ordinance change is to allow for an efficient and thorough vetting process for rezoning requests prior to their appearance on Planning Commission and City Council agendas.

**Financial Consideration:**

None.

**Options and Recommendation:**

The City Council has the following options:

1. Approve as presented
2. Amend
3. Deny
4. Move the item to a study session
5. Do nothing

The Development Review Team and staff recommend approval.

The Planning Commission voted 5-2 recommending approval on June 1, 2021.

**Supporting Documentation:**

Ordinance - Clean

Ordinance - Marked

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