

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. C(5)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT MEETING DATE: November 17, 2009

TITLE: Request to Set a Public Hearing on a Land Use Ordinance Text Amendment on Dark Sky Friendly Lighting Provisions and Upgrades to Nonconforming Light Provision in Existing Developments

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING	PUBLIC HEARING YES _ NO <u>X</u>
ATTACHMENTS A. Resolution B. Staff memo C. LUO Sections 15-242 and 15-242 D. LUO Text Amendment request E. Draft ordinance	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia McGuire – 918-7327 Mike Brough – 929-3905

PURPOSE

Town staff have developed draft ordinance provisions that modify lighting requirements in response to direction from the Board of Aldermen and the request of a property owner. A resolution setting a public hearing and referring the ordinance provisions for advisory board and Orange County review is recommended for the Board's adoption.

INFORMATION

Preparation of dark sky friendly lighting provisions has been included in the list of comprehensive amendments to the Land use Ordinance since early 2005. See attached memo for additional information on the development of these lighting provisions and a description of the draft ordinance (*Attachment C*).

FISCAL AND STAFF IMPACT

Publication costs and staff time for administration of advisory board and Orange County review are associated with setting a public hearing on text amendments to the Land Use Ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION

The staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen adopt the attached resolution setting a public hearing and referring the draft ordinance for advisory board review (*Attachment A*).