

**B. INITIATION OF TEXT AMENDMENTS FOR THE TRANSFER OF COMMERCIAL LANDSCAPE ADMINISTRATION & ENFORCEMENT** – The staff will request that the Planning Commission initiate a text amendment to Articles 5, 8-1, 18, and 26 of the Zoning Ordinance, as well as Article 6-10 of the Land Subdivision Regulations to allow the LFUCG Division of Environmental Services to assume the duties of the former Landscape Examiner in the Division of Building Inspection. If initiated, the requisite public hearing would be scheduled sometime in the spring of this year.

Staff Presentation – Mr. Sallee said that this item was discussed at the previous week’s work session. He distributed a memorandum from Susan Plueger, Director of Environmental Services, and a copy of the proposed text. He said the majority of the proposed changes are to Article 18, in the naming of the staff members and the division responsible for that going from Building Inspection to Division of Environmental Services.

Ms. Plueger said that this will transfer responsibility of the commercial landscape examiner from Building Inspection to Environmental Services.

Action – A motion was made by Mr. Cravens, seconded by Ms. Plumlee, and carried 7-0 (Berkley, Brewer, Drake, and Mundy absent) to initiate **TEXT AMENDMENTS FOR THE TRANSFER OF COMMERCIAL LANDSCAPE ADMINISTRATION & ENFORCEMENT**, for the reasons provided by the staff.

**VII. STAFF ITEMS** – Mr. Duncan said that there is a work session scheduled on March 30, 2017, which will be held in the Phoenix Building on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor at 1:30 P.M.

**VIII. AUDIENCE ITEMS** – No such items were presented.

**IX. MEETING DATES FOR April, 2017**

Subdivision Committee, Thursday, 8:30 a.m., Planning Division Office (101 East Vine Street).....	April	6, 2017
Zoning Committee, Thursday, 1:30 p.m., Planning Division Office (101 East Vine Street).....	April	6, 2017
Subdivision and ND-1 Items Public Meeting, Thursday, 1:30 p.m., 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Council Chambers.....	April	13, 2017
Work Session, Thursday, 1:30 p.m., 2nd Floor Council Chambers.....	April	20, 2017
Zoning Items Public Hearing, Thursday, 1:30 p.m., 2nd Floor Council Chambers.....	April	27, 2017
Technical Committee, Wednesday, 8:30 a.m., Planning Division Office (101 East Vine Street).....	April	26, 2017

**X. ADJOURNMENT** - There being no further business, Chairman Wilson declared the meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

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William Wilson, Chair

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Carolyn Plumlee, Secretary

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\* - Denotes date by which Commission must either approve or disapprove request, unless agreed to a longer time by the applicant.

MAYOR JIM GRAY



LEXINGTON

SUSAN PLUEGER  
DIRECTOR  
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

MEMORANDUM

TO: James Duncan, Director, Division of Planning  
Dewey Crowe, Director, Division of Building Inspection

FROM:   
Susan Plueger, Director  
Division of Environmental Services

DATE: January 25, 2017

RE: **Proposed Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments related to Commercial Landscape Examiner**

Urban County Council approved a new position in the Division of Environmental Services in 2016 to take over the duties related to commercial landscape administration and enforcement. We have hired an employee serving as an Enforcement Officer who will take over the responsibilities of the commercial landscape examiner as referred to in the ordinance. For the time being, he has been working on compliance assistance for existing commercial properties.

We are now prepared to assume all of the duties associated with this program which are currently under the responsibility of the Division of Building Inspection. Please find attached a draft ZOTA prepared by Attorney Michael Cravens that revises Articles 5, 8, 18, and 26, as well as Article 6-10 of the Land Subdivision Regulations. I am requesting a referral to the Planning Commission of this item after review by the Divisions of Planning and Building Inspection.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Cc: Demetria Mehlhorn, Environmental Services  
Dowell Hoskins-Squier, Commissioner  
Michael Cravens, Law

