

City of Alexandria, Virginia

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: JANUARY 5, 2015

TO: CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

FROM: KARL MORITZ, DIRECTOR,  
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & ZONING

SUBJECT: REVISION TO DOCKET ITEMS #6 (Text Amendment #2015-0005 Sign Regulations)

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This memorandum contains a revision to the proposed text amendment language for Docket Item 6, Sign Regulations. This revision is recommended by the City Attorney's Office and has also been suggested by one of the Planning Commissioners. The proposed language addresses the issue of banners that could get installed across public rights of way, which currently are permitted only if the City Manager finds that they do not pose a danger to the safety of the public. The recommended revision would add that such signs should only be permitted when a Special Event Permit has been issued in correspondence with the sign. Staff supports this revision, and recommends that the text amendment be adopted with the language for Section 5-2-29 (i), Street Encroachments, of the City Code to instead read as follows:

- (i) **Street or Alley Crossing Banner. A sign may be placed across a public street or alley for up to ten (10) days upon a determination made by the City Manager that the sign does not pose a danger to the safety of the public and that a Special Event Permit pursuant to the City of Alexandria Special Event Policy and Procedures approved by the City Council on January 23, 2010 as the same may be amended, has been issued.**

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Additional Materials

# Text amendment #2015-0005

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Tue 1/5/2016 6:55 AM

To: PlanComm <PlanComm@alexandriava.gov>;

Dear Planning Commissioners,

I am writing I support of docket item 6, text amendment #2015-0005, which will be considered at the 5 January public hearing. Staff's recommendations for prohibiting signs in the public right of way are sound recommendations that will reduce litter and improve the appearance of our city. It will also bring Alexandria in line with the practices of surrounding counties.

Respectfully,  
Heidi Ford  
Alexandria, Virginia

Sent from my iPad