

## Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary

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**Meeting Date:** 11/13/2007  
**Reference No.:** CR-080-2007  
**Draft No.:** 1  
**Proposer(s):** Park & Planning  
**Sponsor(s):** Campos, Harrington  
**Item Title:** A Resolution concerning The 2004 Approved Gateway Arts District Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment (SMA) for the purpose of revising certain development district standards in the 2004 Approved Gateway Arts District Sector Plan and SMA.

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**Drafter:** Dineene O'Connor, M-NCPPC Project Leader  
**Resource Personnel:** Dineene O'Connor, M-NCPPC Project Leader

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### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

<b>Date Presented:</b>		<b>Executive Action:</b>	
<b>Committee Referral:</b>	11/6/2007 - PZED	<b>Effective Date:</b>	11/13/2007
<b>Committee Action:</b>	11/7/2007 - FAV		
<b>Date Introduced:</b>	11/6/2007		
<b>Public Hearing:</b>			
<b>Council Action (1)</b>	11/13/2007 - ADOPTED		
<b>Council Votes:</b>	MB:A, WC:A, SHD:A, TD:A, CE:A, DCH:A, TK:A, EO:A, IT:A		
<b>Pass/Fail:</b>	P		
<b>Remarks:</b>			

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### AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

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### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### PLANNING, ZONING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**Date 11/7/2007**

Committee Vote: Favorable, 4-0 (In favor: Council Members Dean, Bland, Dernoga and Exum)

Staff summarized the purpose of the resolution and informed the committee of written referral comments that were received. In accordance with the process provided in CB-5-2007, this resolution revises certain development district standards in the 2004 Approved Gateway Arts District Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment (SMA). The City of Mount Rainier submitted a request to modify the Plan such that nine specific development district standards will not apply to the Traditional Residential Neighborhood Character Area.

The Legislative Officer and the Office of Law reviewed CR-80-2007 and determined that it is in proper legislative form.

Joe Chang and Dineene O'Connor of the M-NCPPC Planning Department were present to respond to questions. Ms. O'Connor informed the committee that the revisions to the Approved Gateway Arts District Plan as provided in CR-80-2007 will be in the form of an errata sheet.

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:**

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

The 2004 Approved Gateway Arts District Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment (SMA) established development district standards in seven character areas including the Traditional Residential Neighborhood (TRN) Character Area that supersedes the development standards of the underlying residential zone. The standards provided a more liberal development opportunity for residential development. The result was that a number of houses were so greatly expanded that the City of Mount Rainier has determined that some but not all of the development standards pertinent to TRN Character Areas undermine protection of the historic residential character of the City's traditional residential neighborhoods. For this reason, the City made a written request that the TRN Character Area within the Mount Rainier municipal boundaries be exempt from the standards adopted in the 2004 Approved Gateway Arts District Sector Plan and SMA in accordance with the provisions of CB-5-2007.

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**CODE INDEX TOPICS:**

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**INCLUSION FILES:**

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