Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 11/20/2012 **Reference No.:** CB-067-2012

Draft No.: 2
Proposer(s): Davis

Sponsor(s): Davis, Harrison, Lehman, Turner

Item Title: An Ordinance concerning validity periods for Detailed Site Plans and Specific Design Plans

for the purpose of temporarily extending the validity period of all approved applications for Detailed Site Plans and Specific Design Plans with a valid status as of January 1, 2012.

Drafter: Jackie Brown, PZED Committee Director **Resource Personnel:** Nellvenia W. Johnson, Chief of Staff District 6

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented: 9/11/2012 **Executive Action:**

Committee Referral: 9/11/2012 - PZED **Effective Date:** 11/20/2012

Committee Action: 10/10/2012 - FAV

Date Introduced: 10/23/2012

Public Hearing: 11/20/2012 - 10:00 AM

Council Action (1) 11/20/2012 - ENACTED

Council Votes: WC:A, DLD:A, MRF:A, AH:A, ML:A, EO:A, OP:A, IT:A, KT:-

Pass/Fail:

Remarks:

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

27-287, 27-527, 27-528, 27-546.07, 27-548.08

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PZED Committee Report Date 10/10/2012

Committee Vote: Favorable, 4-0 (In favor: Council Members Franklin, Patterson, Olson, and Toles)

Staff gave an overview of the legislation and informed the committee of written referral comments and correspondence that were received. This legislation proposes to extend the validity period for all approved applications for Detailed Site Plans and Specific Design Plans with a valid status as of January 1, 2012. CB-67-2012 temporarily extends the validity period of these plans until December 31, 2013. The legislation will not apply to any Detailed Site Plans or Specific Design Plans where the validity period has expired prior to enactment of the legislation or where any application's validity period begins after the date of enactment of this legislation.

Council Member Davis, the bill's sponsor, requested the committee's support of CB-67-2012 in an effort to facilitate the continuation of approved development which has been hampered by the downturn in the economy. Council Members Toles and Olson expressed concern with continued extensions noting that the County Council has voted three times for extensions since 2009. Both Members indicated the need to move projects forward with Council Member Olson noting improved environmental regulations which have been adopted for which approved projects are

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not subject to because the extensions are continuing year after year.

The Office of Law reviewed CB-67-2012 and determined that it is in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its enactment. The Planning Board supports the legislation.

Norman Rivera and the Maryland-National Capital Building Industry submitted letters in support of CB-67-2012.

Testimony in support of the legislation was received from the following speakers: Norman Rivera, Thomas Haller, Alton Fryer, Emily Vaias, Hamer Campbell, Ed Maginnis, Jeff Estepp, Lawrence Taub, King Davidson, Chris Hatcher, Ed Gibbs, and Andre Gingles.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

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

This uncodified Ordinance will temporarily extend the validity period for all approved Detailed Site Plans and Specific Design Plans that are currently in a valid status until December 31, 2013.

11/20/2012: CB-67-2012 was amended on the floor prior to enactment to allow for effective date on the date it becomes law. CB-67-2012 (DR-2) was enacted.

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