

EARLY NEIGHBORHOOD NOTIFICATION AND MEETING PROCESS

In accordance with Section 6.01(c), of the Unified Development Code, an early neighborhood notice meeting is required to be held prior to the submittal of the following application types: rezoning of property; planned unit developments; conditional uses; day care centers, hazardous & obnoxious uses, the Rivertown Historic District, and any other application the Planning Department deems necessary. The meeting is meant to provide the applicant the opportunity to present the proposal, and be responsive to neighborhood concerns early in the process, while neighbors have the opportunity to ask questions and provide comment to the applicant.

WHO IS INVOLVED?

The meeting primarily occurs between the applicant and surrounding property owners and/or residents within approximately 250 feet (depending on the specifics of the proposal) of the subject property. The recognized neighborhood or civic association, or respective city council office may assist in setting up the meeting. The City Administration has no key role in the meeting.

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING PROCESS:

1. The applicant shall contact the appropriate recognized neighborhood or civic association proposing three possible dates and times for the meeting. If the association does not respond within fourteen days, the applicant may contact the respective city council office for assistance in setting up the meeting.
2. The meeting must be held at a location within the city that is in, or as close as practical to the subject property.
3. Once a date, time and location has been confirmed, the applicant will mail the following information to the property owners, and occupants of property within 250 feet, or as determined by the Planning Department, the following information:
 - The necessary meeting information, including date, time and location; and
 - A brief description of the nature and location of the proposal.
 - Although not required, a conceptual site plan would be useful.
4. If all reasonable attempts by the applicant fail to produce a meeting within 45 days of the written request, the community or neighborhood will lose its right to an early notice meeting.
5. Following the early neighborhood notice meeting, the applicant must provide the neighborhood meeting report along with the formal application, delineating concerns raised at the meeting as well as any actions taken to assuage or mitigate these concerns.

The following is a sample neighborhood meeting report that you should include in your submission:

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING REPORT

1. Project Case No.: _____
2. Meeting Date & Time: _____
3. Meeting Location: _____
4. Number of invitations that were sent: _____
5. How was the mailing list generated: _____
6. Number of neighbors in attendance (attach a sign-in sheet):

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7. List the verbal comments and how you plan to address any issues: (City Council does not expect all of the issues to be resolved to the neighborhood's satisfaction; however, the developer must explain why the issues cannot be resolved.)

8. List or attach the written comments and how you plan to address any issues: