## Memorandum

To: Metropolitan Planning Commission
From: Michael A. Brusseau, Planner II
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Subject: Knoxville One Year Plan 2008 Update

## **Staff Recommendation:**

APPROVE the 2008 One Year Plan update.

## **Comments:**

The Knoxville City Charter requires that a One Year Plan be developed and adopted to tie the City of Knoxville's zoning districts to the Comprehensive Plan for the community. The Charter also requires the development of 15 year (Sector Plans) and 5 year (CIP) plans for policy and midrange guidance for the One Year Plan. The One Year Plan is used as the basis for rezoning decisions and short term public improvements within the City of Knoxville.

Staff mailed out about 200 postcards to various members of the community, inviting them to participate in the annual update. Four public meetings were held throughout the City during February to present and discuss this year's update. Approximately 40-50 people in total attended the meetings.

Pursuant to the requirements of the City Charter, the staff has completed the annual update of the One Year Plan, which is included separately with your agenda package. Highlights of the 2008 update include the following:

• The staff is recommending twenty-one general plan amendments. The North and West City sectors, which were the two sector plans that were newly adopted since last year's update, have the most, with eight and nine proposals, respectively. Most of the staff proposals directly correlate to new proposals that have already been adopted on the North and West City sector plans. All of the proposed staff recommended changes are shown by sector on maps located in Chapter 4 and are labeled as 'Staff Amendments.' These changes will bring the proposed areas of the One Year Plan into conformity with the Sector Plan, as called for by the City

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Charter. These recommended changes also led to the need for three new General Rezonings, listed in Chapter 5. The new 2008 General Rezonings are denoted at the end of the listings for each sector.

- Appropriate land use designations are recommended for each of the fifteen properties annexed by the City of Knoxville since the adoption of the 2006 Update. These recommendations are shown by sector on maps in Chapter 4 and labeled as 'Annexation Plan Amendments.'
- Appendix B lists thirty individual quarterly plan amendments that were requested during the last twelve months since the last Update.
- As information and mapping capabilities become available, staff will be making general amendments to the One Year Plan maps to appropriately designate all parks/recreational uses and other relevant greenspaces as Open Space (OS) or Public Parks and Refuges (PP). Also, interstates, highways and some other major arterial streets with greater than 100 feet of right of way within Knoxville will be reclassified as Major Rights of Way (ROW), which is a newly added designation for this year.
- Staff has added information, recognizing the new R-1EN zone that was adopted and added to the City of Knoxville Ordinance since the 2007 update.
- Staff has added eight new proposed land use designations for the One Year Plan, which are consistent with newly designated areas on the updated North and West City sector plans, approved in 2007. The list of all available land use designations (from the most recent sector plans) has been added to the appendix of the One Year Plan.

Please let me know if you have any questions about specific plan recommendations, this year's update process or any other issues, related to the One Year Plan.