Memorandum

To: Metropolitan Planning Commission **From:** Michael A. Brusseau, Senior Planner

Date: March 3, 2010 **File #:** 3-A-10-OYP

Subject: Knoxville One Year Plan 2010 Update

Staff Recommendation:

APPROVE the 2010 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. Three public meetings were held throughout the City during February to present and discuss this year's update. Approximately 40-50 people in total attended these meetings. Three staff proposals were added as a result of input from meeting attendees.

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 2010 update include the following:

• The staff is recommending 93 general plan amendments, 83 of which are plan redesignations of parks, school parks and other open space or refuge areas. Five staff amendments in the Central and East sectors result from the new land use proposals of the Magnolia Avenue Corridor Plan, which was adopted by City Council on August 25, 2009. One proposal, in the Central sector, results from new land use proposals in the Fort Sanders

area. Four other staff proposals are included, which bring the One Year Plan into consistency with the sector plan or existing land uses. All of the proposed staff recommended changes are shown by sector on maps located in Chapter 4 and are labeled as 'Staff Amendments.' Some of the 'Staff Amendments' are labeled by number and some are labeled by park or school names. Two of these recommended changes also led to the need for two new General Rezonings, listed in Chapter 5. The new 2010 General Rezonings are denoted at the end of the listings for each sector.

- Appropriate land use designations are recommended for each of the eight properties annexed by the City of Knoxville since the adoption of the 2009 Update. These recommendations are shown by sector on maps in Chapter 4 and are labeled as 'Annexation Amendments.'
- Appendix B lists ten individual quarterly plan amendments that were approved during the last twelve months since the last Update.
- As indicated by the 83 park-related proposals mentioned above, a major focus of this year's update is to make general amendments to the One Year Plan maps to appropriately designate all parks/recreational/school park uses and other relevant open spaces as Public Parks and Refuges (PP) or Public Institution (P). These existing parks were identified using the park inventory that was obtained and included as part of the *Knoxville-Knox County Park, Recreation and Greenways Plan*, which was adopted by MPC on December 10, 2009.

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.