



Westfield City Council Report

Ordinance Number:	11-26
APC Petition Number:	1110-ZOA-04
Petitioner:	City of Westfield
Requested Action:	The City of Westfield is requesting amendments to sections WC 16.08.010 (Sign Standards) and WC 16.04.210 (Definitions) of the Westfield-Washington Township Zoning Ordinance
Referral Date to APC:	September 26, 2010
APC Public Hearing:	October 17, 2011
APC Recommendation:	November 7, 2011
Adoption Consideration:	November 14, 2011
Prepared By:	Kevin M. Todd, AICP

Petition History

This petition to amend sections of the Westfield-Washington Township Zoning Ordinance was introduced at the September 26, 2011 City Council meeting. This petition received a public hearing at the October 17, 2011 Advisory Plan Commission meeting, and it received a unanimous favorable recommendation for approval at the November 7, 2011 Advisory Plan Commission meeting.

Procedural

- Requests for amendments to the zoning ordinance are required to be considered at a public hearing, in accordance with Ind. Code 36-7-4-602.
- The Advisory Plan Commission (the "APC") held a public hearing on October 17, 2011 and issued a unanimous favorable recommendation (7-0) to the City Council in support of the proposed rezone request at its November 7, 2011 meeting.
- Notification of the October 17, 2011 public hearing was provided in accordance with the APC Rules of Procedure.
- The Westfield City Council may take action on this item at the November 14, 2011 meeting.

Review of Amendments

The proposed amendments to the zoning ordinance include: 1) the exemption of small, incidental signs on vending-type machines; 2) the clarification of residential entrance sign standards; 3) the inclusion of Interior Circulation Signage for individual nonresidential uses; 4) an increase in the allowable wall signage for multi-tenant buildings; 5) a new temporary sign type which accommodates large acreage

for-sale signs; and 6) new and modified definitions for terms associated with the Sign Standard amendments.

The City Council Subcommittee reviewed these amendments and forwarded them to the City Council and the APC with a favorable recommendation.

Recommendations/Actions

- Community Development Department [November 7, 2011]
The Westfield Community Development Staff, in its report to the APC, made a recommendation that the APC forward a favorable recommendation to the City Council.

- Advisory Plan Commission [November 7, 2011]
The Westfield-Washington Advisory Plan Commission has forwarded a unanimous favorable recommendation to the City Council (Vote of: 7-0).

- City Council
 - Introduction: [September 26, 2011]
 - Eligible for Adoption: [November 14, 2011]

Submitted by: Kevin M. Todd, AICP, *Senior Planner*

**WESTFIELD-WASHINGTON ADVISORY PLAN COMMISSION
CERTIFICATION**

The Westfield-Washington Advisory Plan Commission held a public hearing on Monday, September 26, 2011, to consider amendments to the Westfield-Washington Township Zoning Ordinance. Notice of the public hearing was advertised and noticed and presented to the Advisory Plan Commission. Notice was shown to have been published in a newspaper of general circulation in Hamilton County, Indiana. The proposal was as follows:

Case No.	1111-ZOA-04
Petitioner	City of Westfield
Description	The petitioner requested amendments to sections WC 16.08.010 (Sign Standards) and WC 16.04.210 (Definitions) of the Westfield-Washington Township Zoning Ordinance.

On November 7, 2011, a motion was made and passed to send a unanimous favorable recommendation (7-0) to the City Council to approve 1111-ZOA-04 as proposed.

The above-mentioned proposal and the Advisory Plan Commission's recommendation thereof are hereby certified.



Matthew S. Skelton, Secretary

November 9, 2011 _____

Date