

**ORDINANCE AMENDMENT REVIEW SHEET**

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**Item:** C20-2012-021 Heli-Facilities

**Description:** Consider amendments to Chapter 25 of the City Code, as related to heli-facilities.

**Proposed Recommendations:** See attached draft language.

**Background:** Initiated by City Council on November 8, 2012 (Resolution 20121108-052)

In response to abundant helicopter traffic associated with the Formula One Circuit of the Americas race that occurred in November 2012, and various concerns from neighborhoods and businesses about said helicopter traffic, the City Council issued Resolution 20121108-052. This Resolution directed staff to work with stakeholders to develop recommendations for changes to Chapters 13-1 and 25-2 of the City Code, related to definitions, criteria, transparency, compatibility, and discretion, as related to heli-facilities.

**Board and Commission Actions**

**Planning Commission** – Feedback and input on proposed recommendations were solicited at the March 12, 2013 meeting.

A public hearing has been set for April 23, 2013.

**Planning Commission Subcommittee on Codes and Ordinances** – Recommended approval of this item to full Planning Commission on April 16, 2013. Vote: 4-0.

**Council Action**

**City Council** – A public hearing has not yet been set.

**Ordinance Number:** NA

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**PROPOSED CHANGES TO CHAPTER 25**

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**§ 25-2-861 FACILITIES FOR HELICOPTERS AND OTHER NONFIXED WING AIRCRAFT.**

(A) The following are conditional uses in all commercial, industrial, and special purpose base districts:

(1) a heli-facility, ~~helicopter landing site~~, or heliport, as defined in Chapter 13-1, Article 4 (*Heliports and Helicopter Operations*); and

(2) except as provided in Subsection (B), a landing field for hot air balloons or nonfixed-wing aircraft.

(B) An advertising or promotional event involving the use of a hot air balloon is a permitted use in all commercial, industrial, and special purpose base districts. The approval of the building official, the director, and the director of Aviation is required for the event.

*Source: Section 13-2-270; Ord. 990225-70; Ord. 031211-11.*