

city of saint paul
planning commission resolution
file number 11-42
date May 27, 2011

Amendments to Off-Street Parking Requirements and Definitions for Restaurants and Bars

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission passed a resolution on May 22, 2009, file number #09-33, initiating a zoning study to consider amendments to the zoning code regarding off-street parking facility standards and design; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the proposed off-street parking requirement and design standards zoning amendments was conducted by the Planning Commission on January 22, 2010; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2010, the Planning Commission passed a resolution recommending the off-street parking amendments to City Council for consideration; and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2010, the City Council approved most of the recommended off-street parking amendments, but did not approve parking amendments for establishments serving wine, beer or liquor, and instead asked staff from the Departments of Planning and Economic Development and from Safety and Inspections to do additional study of parking requirements and licensing for these uses; and

WHEREAS, staff conducted additional review of establishments serving wine, beer and liquor and considered how they vary in parking demand and impact on the surrounding areas, and in response drafted proposed zoning and licensing amendments that differentiate between these establishments in operation and required parking; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Planning Committee reviewed the draft amendments on April 26, 2011 and forwarded them to Planning Commission for consideration and recommendation to the Saint Paul City Council, with no public hearing to be held at Planning Commission since the matter follows up on similar amendments considered and reviewed at Planning Commission in 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission considered the recommendations of the Comprehensive Planning Committee;

moved by Merrigan
seconded by Ward
in favor Unanimous
against _____

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, under the provisions of § 61.801 of the Zoning Code and pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes § 462.357, that the Planning Commission recommends to the City Council amendments to Chapters 63, 65 and 66 of the Zoning Code per the attached "Proposed Amendments to Definitions and Off-Street Parking Requirements for Restaurants and Bars" dated 3/23/2011.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Planning Commission directs the Director of Planning to forward the Zoning Amendments, appropriate documentation, and this resolution to the Mayor and City Council for their review and adoption.