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### Agenda Information Sheet

**DEPARTMENT:** Environmental Services and Sustainability

**CM/ ACM:** Howard Martin, 349-8232

**Date:** December 5, 2016

#### **SUBJECT**

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and provide direction regarding Denton Development Code Subchapter 17 Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESAs).

#### **BACKGROUND**

On June 6, 2016 the Committee on the Environment (COE) gave staff direction to proceed with proposing revisions to Subchapter 17 of the Denton Development Code (DDC). The revisions would be classified into four major categories: editorial corrections, code language clarification, code language additions, and policy changes. The level of revision complexity generally increases with each category as listed. On October 3, 2016 staff presented the last part of proposed code language clarifications to Subchapter 17.

This presentation would focus on code language additions with the purpose of making the code more clear, improve organization, and making it easier to understand. Staff identified numerous additions throughout Subchapter 17 and the review of staff proposed code additions would require multiple presentations. Code language policy changes will be addressed in future presentations.

The proposed language additions are shown as redlines in Exhibit 1. A clean version of the proposed changes are provided in Exhibit 2. The proposed clarifications will require revising other regulations outside Subchapter 17.

Sustainable & Environmental Stewardship

#### **PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (Council, Boards, Commissions)**

##### **PRIOR ACTION AND REVIEW**

June 6, 2016: Presentation to the COE regarding Amendments to Subchapter 17

August 1, 2016: Presentation to the COE regarding code corrections to Subchapter 17

September 12, 2016: Presentation to the COE regarding code language clarifications to Subchapter 17 Part 1

October 3, 2016: Presentation to the COE regarding code language clarifications to Subchapter 17  
Part 2

#### **STRATEGIC PLAN RELATIONSHIP**

The City of Denton's Strategic Plan is an action-oriented road map that will help the City achieve its vision. The foundation for the plan is the five long-term Key Focus Areas (KFA): Organizational Excellence; Public Infrastructure; Economic Development; Safe, Livable, and Family-Friendly Community; and Sustainability and

Environmental Stewardship. While individual items may support multiple KFAs, this specific City Council agenda item contributes most directly to the following KFA and goal:

**Related Key Focus Area:** Sustainable & Environmental Stewardship

**Related Goal:** 5.4 Manage land use and preserve open/natural spaces

**EXHIBITS**

1. DDC Subchapter 17 redline version for “language additions” category
2. DDC Subchapter 17 clean version for “language additions” category

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