

SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 18, 2019
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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

From Urban Affairs Committee

1. **Order No.18/19-1007460: Communication from Solicitor Rider together with Proposed Zoning Petition from Councilor Delano, Chairman of the Urban Affairs Committee, to vest the ZBA with jurisdiction over applications for special permits that seek to increase or intensify the existing nonconforming nature of single or two-family residential structures, as it currently rests with the City Council.**

The Urban Affairs Committee met to discuss the proposed zoning petition that would allow the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) the jurisdiction to review the applications for special permits from the owners of single-family and two-family residential structures who look to increase or intensify the existing nonconforming nature of their residence by either expanding the residence or constructing a garage or deck as examples. These types of cases were not previously before the City Council, but recent court rulings have dictated these requests must go before the City Council as the Special Permit granting authority. By approving this proposed zoning petition, the City Council may delegate their authority to the ZBA. The Planning Board at its regularly scheduled meeting on January 7, 2019 voted to make a favorable recommendation to the City Council on the proposed zoning amendment.

Motion made by Councilor Doucette, seconded by the Chair, to approve the proposed zoning petition. The motion carried 4-1 (Landers opposed).

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