

**April 28, 2022**

**Item No. 7.3.**

**Preservation of Neighborhood Character**

**Sponsor:** Michael Ostrowski, Director of Planning and Development

**Reviewed By CBC:** City Council

**Agenda Caption:** Presentation, discussion, and possible action on options to preserve neighborhood character.

**Relationship to Strategic Goals:**

- Good Governance
- Neighborhood Integrity
- Diverse & Growing Economy

**Recommendation(s):** To receive the presentation and provide direction to Staff.

**Summary:** This item is a follow up to the City Council workshop that was done on May 27, 2021. At that workshop staff introduced several options to address concerns relating to neighborhood integrity. For this workshop, staff will present a list of options for City Council to consider and provide direction. These options are designed to help preserve the character of neighborhoods. Some of the options include:

- Defining Shared Detached Housing, which is also referred to as an Ag-Shack or Stealth Dorm.
- Regulating the size of dwellings in certain areas.
- Creating a High Occupancy Overlay District where additional density could be allowed, thus reducing pressure on other neighborhoods.
- Creating an additional overlay district designed to preserve certain characteristics of neighborhoods.
- Eliminating the ability to reduce a front setback when rear access is provided, or when side yard or rear yard parking is provided.
- Eliminating or requiring additional approval to have shared access.
- Eliminating the ability to combine parking areas and to require a setback to the property line.
- Restricting the parking in front of a dwelling within the front setback area.
- Regulating how landscape materials, which can also be used as parking materials, must exist on a property.

**Budget & Financial Summary:** N/A

**Attachments:**

None