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UDC Amendments to Article 16

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Background

- **Uses in Article 5 with no definition**
- **Definitions in Article 16 that are found no where in UDC**
- **23 additions, 7 removals, 1 revision**

Additions

- **Adult Media**
- **Bakery**
- **Book Store**
- **Department Store**
- **Florist**
- **Furniture Sales**
- **Gated Community**
- **Government Facilities**
- **Hazardous Material**
- **Hazardous Waste**
- **Heavy Equipment Service and Sales, or Rental**
- **Home Improvement Center**
- **Microbrewery/Brewpub**

Additions Continued...

- **Museum**
- **Pet Store** – Planning and Zoning requested a change to the definition here.
- **Pharmacy**
- **Portable Building Sales**
- **Post Office**
- **Public Works Specification Manual**
- **Railroad/Bus Station Terminal**
- **Recreational Vehicle Sales and Service**
- **Tool Rental**
- **Truck Terminal**

Removals

- **Boarding House**
- **Convalescent Home**
- **Filling, Retail Service Station**
- **Industrialized Home**
- **Insurance Office**
- **Retail Food Store**
- **Variety Store**

Revisions

- **Alley**

“A means of vehicular access to abutting property and which is used primarily for vehicular traffic to the rear or side of properties which otherwise abut on a street.”

Criteria of Approval Sec. 21.4.7.D

1. The proposed amendment promotes the health, safety, or general welfare of the City and the safe, orderly, efficient and healthful development of the City;

- The UDC functions better when there is continuity throughout the code
- Not properly defining uses in the Permitted Use Table opens the door for interpretation, and thus creates the potential for inconsistency

2. An amendment to the text is consistent with other policies of this UDC and the City

- The main purpose of these amendments is to provide consistency.

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3. Any proposed amendment is consistent with the goals and objectives of this UDC and the City.

The City of Schertz Strategic Plan's Operational Values.

- "Proactive means initiating change by anticipating future situations in order to make things happen"
- "continuously improving and evolving"
- "forward thinking"
- "the ability to forecast and meet needs even before the customer identifies them"

4. Other criteria which, at the discretion of the Planning and Zoning Commission and the City Council, are deemed relevant and important in the consideration of the amendment.

Public hearing provides the opportunity for the Planning and Zoning commission to determine this.

Staff Recommendation

- These amendments would provide consistency in the UDC particularly between Article 5 and Article 16.
- They would also help clarify the UDC and make it easier to use.
- Staff recommends approval of the amendments to the Unified Development Code (UDC) as proposed and discussed.
- The Planning and Zoning Commission met on February 7, 2024, and made a recommendation of approval with a condition that “Pet Store” be changed with a 7-0 vote.

COMMENTS & QUESTIONS