CITY OF SAN ANTONIO DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Florencio Peña, III, Director Development Services

SUBJECT:

Adoption of the July 2005 UDC

DATE:

September 22, 2005

SUMMARY & RECOMMENDATIONS

An ordinance adopting the July 2005 Unified Development Code (UDC). Following the adoption of the 2005 UDC, this document will be sent to the Municipal Code Corporation for codification into the City of San Antonio Code. The Planning Commission Technical Advisory Committee and the Planning and Zoning Commissions have reviewed this document and have recommended approval.

Staff recommends the approval of this ordinance.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The UDC was substantially revised in May 2001. The ordinance adopting the UDC stated, "new sections adopted by this ordinance shall supercede conflicting sections of Chapter 35 of the City Code". This provision resulted in sections that were not superceded to remain in effect. If a section was not specifically deleted or superceded it remained in effect. Staff has determined that 97 items were inadvertently left out of the 2001 UDC.

In addition, upon adopting the UDC, City Council established a Unified Development Code Technical Advisory Committee (UDCTAC). The UDCTAC was created for a two-year term and was charged with monitoring and reviewing the UDC as well as recommending amendments. During this two-year term, the UDCTAC recommended over 267 amendments to the UDC, which were later adopted by the City Council. Since the term of the UDCTAC expired, the UDC has gone through one annual amendment process where 52 amendments were adopted by City Council.

Therefore, a complete copy of the UDC consists of the 2001 UDC, the parts that were inadvertently left out and all 319 amendments since the adoption of the UDC. Staff has assembled these components into a July 2005 edition of the UDC. The Zoning Commission reviewed the document on August 2, 2005 and recommended approval with no changes. The Planning Commission Technical Advisory Committee reviewed the document and on August 27, 2005 recommended its approval to the Planning Commission with no changes. The Planning

Commission reviewed the document on August 27, 2005 and recommend approval with no changes.

POLICY ANALYSIS

The adoption of the July 2005 UDC will provide clarity to the development process by consolidating the adopted 2001 UDC, the parts inadvertently left out during its adoption and all amendments through July 2005 into one document. This will facilitate codification of the UDC into the City Code ordinances of San Antonio.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no anticipated financial impact.

COORDINATION

This item was coordinated with the Land Development Services Committee, Planning Commission, Zoning Commission, City Attorney's Office, and Planning Department.

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