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Issue Sheet

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<u>COMMITTEE</u>: Community Development

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Agenda Title:

Approval of Ordinance 2019-23 for proposed code amendments to the City of Smyrna's Code of Ordinances, Chapter 90, Sections 90-60 and 90-61 for the establishment of a Sidewalk Bank for alternative compliance to the City's sidewalk requirements.

ISSUE: The Mayor and City Council recently asked the Community Development Department to study the feasibility of setting up a sidewalk bank to allow developers to pay a fee in lieu of installing required sidewalks where there is a lack of connectivity to existing sidewalks or the construction of the sidewalk is prohibitive due to site conditions. The City Council expressed support in establishing Sidewalk Bank for a means of alternative compliance for developers, as well as, a way to allocate resources to prioritized sidewalk projects.

BACKGROUND: The Planning and Zoning Board heard the proposed text amendments at the October 14, 2019 meeting and recommended denial of the proposed amendment by a vote of 5-C

RECOMMENDATION/REQUESTED ACTION: Community Development has reviewed the City's Code of Ordinance with respect to sidewalks and is proposing a code amendment to create a Sidewalk Bank for alternative compliance to the City's sidewalk requirements. The proposed amendments include:

- 1)Creation of the Sidewalk Bank;
- 2) Establishment of fund administration; and
- 3) Establishment of the fee amount.

Community Development recommends <u>approval</u> of the attached code amendments to Chapter 90 of the City's Code of Ordinances and the Fee Schedule.