Print Form

COUNTY DEPARTMENT AGENDA REQUEST

Department/Division: Engineering/Public Works

Department Head: Phil Mallon

Presenter, if needed: Phil Mallon

Preferred Meeting Date: Thursday, August 14, 2008

Wording for the Agenda:

Approval for staff to advertise recommended revision of the "suggested planting materials" in the Article V. Buffer and Landscape Ordinance of the Fayette County Development Regulations.

Background/History/Details:

The Suggested planting materials in Sections 8-157 and 8-161 of the Development Regulations lists several plant species that are not appropriate for Fayette County's climate zone and/or are very susceptible to disease. In addition, some of the plants are considered invasive and pose a threat to the natural areas of Georgia. The revised planting lists will omit the undesirable plant species and includes only those plants suited to the climate of Fayette County, are known to be disease-resistant, and are not considered invasive.

Sources for the revised list include the University of Georgia publications "Landscape Plants for Georgia" and "Xeriscape: A Guide to Developing a Water-Wise Landscape." The draft revised list (attached) has been reviewed by several qualified horticultural specialists in Fayette County.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

Approval to proceed with advertising suggested revisions to Article V of the Development Regulations.

After advertising, this issue will appear on a Board Agenda for Public Hearing.

If this item requires funding, please describe:

Has this issue come before the Commissioners in the past? Yes

If so, when? Wednesday, July 2, 2008

Do you need audio-visual for the presentation? No

Back-up Material Submitted? Yes

STAFF USE ONLY

Approved by Finance? Yes

Reviewed by Legal? Yes

Approved by Purchasing? Yes

Approved by Administrative Staff? Yes

Staff Notes

Administrator's Approval Yes

Confirmed Meeting Date Thursday, August 14, 2008

- ○ Recognition/ Presentation
- ○ Public Hearing
- ○ Old Business
- ○ New Business
- ◉ Consent
- ○ Report
- ○ Other