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Direction to the Manager regarding zoning changes related to single-family/duplex homes

The County Board believes that single-family/duplex housing is very important to Arlington. The Board is committed to finding ways that allow homeowners to renovate and expand older homes to meet today's needs. Therefore the Board directs the Manager to

1. add this topic to the zoning ordinance list that the Board will be prioritizing in March;
2. ensure that any zoning ordinance amendment that the Board considers prior to review of this topic identifies any potential impacts on single-family/duplex homes; and
3. work with the Planning Commission to review the effectiveness of the civic engagement associated with the zoning ordinance review and development process and make any necessary revisions to encourage cross-sector collaboration among residents, businesses and the County

Direction to the Manager regarding 6 month review of short term use zoning ordinance amendments

The County Board believes that short-term uses can enliven existing vacant commercial properties in creative, nimble ways and foster increased economic activity. As the County begins implementation of the zoning ordinance changes, we direct the Manager to

1. Provide a forum for on-going conversation and problem solving, including assessing the efficiency of administrative processes, among the various business district leaders, representative stakeholders, and key County staff
2. Provide a report on the efficacy of the changes to the Board in October 2015, highlighting what is working well and what might need to be further adjusted
3. Continue exploration of whether individual properties within discrete geographic areas of the County may have zoning ordinance flexibility relating to uses that is broader than other properties in the same geographic area, as well as other areas, based on specific distinguishing factors such as location, vacancy rates, area streets, and surrounding uses, among others.
4. Advertise additional text for short term indoor and outdoor events and activities (§12.10.5) for consideration at the April County Board meeting.