

STAFF REPORT

March 27, 2003

No. 03OA002 - Ordinance Amendment

ITEM 20

GENERAL INFORMATION:

PETITIONER	City of Rapid City
REQUEST	No. 03OA002 - Ordinance Amendment
EXISTING LEGAL DESCRIPTION	An Ordinance Amendment amending Section 17.50.280 of Chapter 17.50 of the Rapid City Municipal Code relating to the storage and parking of trucks, trailers and commercial vehicles
DATE OF APPLICATION	2/28/2003
REPORT BY	Trish Anderson

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Ordinance Amendment regarding the storage and parking of trucks, trailers and commercial vehicles be continued until the April 24, 2003 Planning Commission to allow additional time for staff to research the issues related to the proposed ordinance.

GENERAL COMMENTS: The proposed ordinance is intended to clear up discrepancies within the section of the Municipal Code (17.50.280) dealing with the storage and parking of trailers and commercial vehicles in residential zoning districts. Numerous complaints from private citizens have been received regarding the parking of large commercial vehicles in residential areas.

The issue was originally discussed at the Legal and Finance Committee meeting on December 11, 2002. The Committee expressed an interest in clarifying the types and sizes of vehicles which could and could not be parked in residential zoning districts. The draft ordinance was referred back to the Planning Commission. Staff is contacting the Planning Advisory Service and researching codes from other municipalities to learn what other approaches are employed by communities in the regulation of commercial vehicle parking in residential zones.