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TO: Donna Jackson, City Clerk

10-15-03

FROM: Brian Wadley, Planning Coordinator



SUBJECT: Communications Tower Moratorium

Donna,

The MAPC held a public hearing last night on a draft of the proposed wireless communication facility. There were some issues in the ordinance that needed further review and there were some agreed upon changes; however, the ordinance was not finalized. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the MAPC by unanimous vote, adopted a resolution to recommend that the City Council extend the moratorium on the communications towers until such time as the ordinance is finalized and has the approval of the MAPC which is expected to be in November.

A workshop has been scheduled by the MAPC for November 6, 2003 to try to finalize the ordinance and another hearing will be held on November 11, 2003. A recommendation is expected to be made at the November 11th hearing.

MAPC RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on October 14, 2003 for the purpose of receiving comments on a draft proposal of an ordinance to establish standards for the location, development, construction and maintenance of **Off-Premise Outdoor Advertising Signs**, AND

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission also conducted a public hearing on October 14, 2003 for the purpose of receiving comments on a draft proposal of an ordinance to establish standards for the location, development, construction and maintenance of **Wireless Communication Facilities**, AND

WHEREAS, it was determined by the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission that further review and revisions are necessary before the ordinance can be finalized.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission that we, by unanimous vote, do hereby recommend to the City Council for the City of Jonesboro that the moratorium on Communications Towers and Off-Premise Outdoor Advertising Signs be extended until such time as the ordinances regulating their development have been adopted.

ADOPTED THIS 14TH day of October, 2003.

Ken Beadles, MAPC Chairman

Jim Damron, Secretary