LEGAL AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE December 12, 2000 5:00 P.M.

The meeting of the Legal and Legislative Committee was called to order by Councilman Franklin, in the absence of Chairman Crockett. Councilmen Hakeem, Hurley, Taylor, and Lively were present. Also present were City Attorney Randall Nelson and Shirley Crownover, Assistant Clerk to the Council.

Others present included Adm. Boney, Gloria Haney, Jerry Pace, and Jeff Pfitzer.

REVIEW OF REVISED A-1 ZONE ORDINANCE

Councilman Franklin called on Jeff Pfitzer. Mr. Pfitzer stated that the main issue between the Staff version and the Planning Commission version was one of the limitation of certain animals; that they had made some provisions for a limitation of livestock and fowl; that the density had been limited. He stated that they had the basic guidelines in place and this was a good, sound guide for animal uses. He explained that this new zone was in response to Crabtree Farms and noted last minute typo changes.

Councilman Franklin asked about the buffer area between the A1 Zone and Residential. Mr. Pfitzer responded that there was a 150 ft. zone of buffer between any house or pasture area; that this was a good baseline. At this point he showed parcels that had come up on their GIS System, reiterating that this was primarily for Crabtree Farms and that they would apply for this zoning. Councilman Taylor verified that they would be operating within these guidelines.

Councilman Hakeem asked where the Crabtree Farms were located. Mr. Pfitzer responded that they were near the Clifton Hills neighborhood and on the creek; that this was land donated by the Mike McGauley family.

Councilwoman Hurley questioned how golf courses are zoned. Ms. Haney responded that they were zoned R-1. Councilwoman Hurley stated that she did not have a "dog in this race" but questioned if golf courses could be put in this new zone. Ms. Haney explained that they could not because some golf courses have restaurants that are open to the public. Councilwoman Hurley asked if there was any effect on the tax assessment. Ms. Haney mentioned that "greenbelting" is a tax situation. Councilwoman Hurley asked if the Tax Assessor would look at this differently and if M-1 had a higher assessment.

Mr. Pace stated that he thought the question was "would this be taxed at a different rate?" Ms. Haney stated that it would be a different rate if it fell within the "Greenbelt". Councilwoman Hurley noted that this was a beneficial rate because of the desire to preserve green space.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 P.M.