

**Area One NAG Meeting- 2/23/09
DOC Streamlining Proposal Notes**

Bill Thomas, Director of Development Services presentation:

- Combine commissions
- Save \$125-175K annually
- No elimination of process
- Next steps: Same reviews, some DC and CPC items move to ZA hearings, CPC focus more on policy issues

Questions:

- Where can I get the handouts?
- How does this save \$175K? Percentage of budget?
- Could this save two cops or two fire fighters?
- Why didn't City audit DSD?
- Why combine when split?
- Mission creep happening? CPC getting into design?
- Letter to CC & Mayor- why did you do it?

Attendee observations, concerns and suggestions:

- Public has limited access now. This will lessen it.
- Early notification is a wreck
- ZA is a hearing. Not just a mere staff approval.
- Cut off is part of discussion
- More work for ZA
- Lots of dialog with split of DRPB, cut off was part of decisions, moving too fast
- Director hearings are during the day
- Design Commission works well. Won't work so well if fewer members.
- Taking democratic process away
- Multi year dialog on DRPB split
- CPC was part of triage
- Eliminate 1 of 3 legs
- Forums for community input- lose one more
- Decisions are independent of City Staff
- The multi tier process involved all 3 commissions
- Loss of commissions= loss of expertise
- Need some level of public involvement