

MAYOR & COUNCIL AGENDA COVER SHEET

MEETING DATE:

August 20, 2007

CALL TO PODIUM:

Cathy G. Borten
City Attorney

RESPONSIBLE STAFF:

Cathy G. Borten
City Attorney

AGENDA ITEM:

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PUBLIC HEARING HISTORY:

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Policy Discussion	

TITLE:

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CHANGING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDINANCE O-4-07 ADOPTING SECTION 15-9, AND PROVIDING FOR FUTURE CHANGES TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE BY RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING BACKGROUND:

Attached please find a resolution changing the effective date of Section 15-9 of the City Code, known as the City's "anti-solicitation ordinance," to November 1, 2007.

On June 18, 2007, the City Council adopted Emergency Ordinance No. O-7-07 changing the effective date of Section 15-9, as set forth in Section 15-9(f), in order allow time for the Attorney General's office to provide an opinion on the constitutionality of Section 15-9 prior to enforcement by the City. The Ordinance also provided that any future changes to the effective date could be implemented by resolution of the Mayor and City Council.

To date, we have not received an opinion from the Attorney General's office. Therefore, the proposed resolution postpones the effective date of Section 15-9 until November 1, 2007.

DESIRED OUTCOME:

Vote on the Resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CHANGING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDINANCE O-4-07 ADOPTING SECTION 15-9, AND PROVIDING FOR FUTURE CHANGES TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE BY RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council adopted Emergency Ordinance No. O-7-07 on June 18, 2007, changing the effective date of Section 15-9(f) of the City Code to September 1, 2007 in order to obtain an opinion from the Attorney General's office as to the constitutionality of Section 15-9; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. O-7-07 provides that the Council may change the effective date of the Ordinance in the future by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney General's Office has not yet issued the requested opinion regarding the constitutionality of Section 15-9; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the best interest of the City that the effective date of Section 15-9 be further extended as the City awaits the opinion from the Attorney General's office:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of Gaithersburg, that the effective date of Section 15-9, as contained in Section 15-9(f), is hereby extended so that Section 15-9 shall not become effective until November 1, 2007. In accordance with Ordinance No. O-7-07, the City Council may change the effective date of the Ordinance in the future by resolution.

ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council this 20th day of August, 2007.

SIDNEY A. KATZ, MAYOR and
President of the Council

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the City Council in public meeting assembled on the 20th day of August, 2007.

David B. Humpton, City Manager