

**ITEM NO. 3      AMENDMENTS TO SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS (MKM)**

**TA-06-12-08:** Consider amendment to Section 20-810 of the Subdivision Regulations to clarify the natural resources and environmentally sensitive areas that are to be protected or preserved. Initiated by County Commission June 23, 2008.

**STAFF PRESENTATION**

Ms. Mary Miller presented the item.

Commissioner Hird asked if the Commission could see a map of what is considered woodland under this definition. He was concerned about why it was defined with this particular concentration.

Ms. Miller said that the basic definition of woodland is land that is showed on the baseline map and outside of the city would be satellite imagery. If staff looked at the map and it showed that half the property contained woodland and the property owner disagrees then they would have to conduct a tree survey to determine if it was 100 trees per acre or more.

Commissioner Hird asked where the definition of woodland came from.

Ms. Miller said that the density of 100 trees per acre came from the Kansas Biological Survey.

Commissioner Hird asked how it is determined whether a site is eligible for listing in the local, state, or national register of historic places.

Ms. Miller said that was determined at the last Planning Commission meeting. It would be possible for anyone to submit an application. There are specific criteria for properties to be eligible to be listed. The State Historical Preservation Society has a list of properties that are eligible, but if it is a property that is not on that list the City Historic Resources Administrator could quickly determine if it is eligible based on certain criteria.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

No public comment.

**COMMISSION DISCUSSION**

Commissioner Carter stated that Commissioner Harris had a lot of input at the last meeting and he wondered if she had made any further comments.

Ms. Miller replied, no.

Commissioner Finkeldei asked if it was pretty much in line of what was discussed before.

Ms. Miller said that was correct.

**ACTION TAKEN**

Motion by Commission Singleton, seconded by Commission Moore, to approve the proposed amendment, TA-06-12-08 clarifying the types of natural resources and environmentally sensitive areas that are to be protected, along with revisions to other sections of the Code to provide consistency, and forwarding to the Board of County Commissioners and the City Commission.

Unanimously approved 7-0.