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SUBJECT: Special Joint City Council/Planning Commission Meeting – Uptown/Town Centre Specific Plan
DATE: August 18, 2009

Needs: Consider scheduling a joint study session with the Planning Commission to hear a presentation and discuss the recently released draft Uptown/Town Centre Specific Plan.

Facts:

1. One of the initial steps in reviewing the draft Uptown/Town Centre Specific Plan is an orientation meeting with the plan consultants. The identified format is as a joint meeting of the Planning Commission and City Council.
2. The meeting's purpose will be to engage the Commission, Council, and public and reorient them to the plan that grew out of the community charrette process back in May of 2008. The meeting will focus in on key plan principles and proposed programs as well as identifying alternatives that will address community needs. The public notice and agenda may also include discussion of the EIR workscope.

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Conclusion: At the Council's last meeting, September 3, 2009 was identified as the best date for such a joint meeting. The Thursday meeting would begin at 7:00 PM and be held in the Council chambers. Other City advisory bodies and community stakeholders will be notified and encouraged to attend.

Policy

Reference: Council Policy and Procedures, Chapter 5, Section 5.2.3

Options:

- a. Set a noticed Joint Meeting with the Planning Commission on September 3, 2009.
- b. Amend, modify or reject the foregoing option.