

# 7A - Ord. 16-01-429 Comments

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Hi All,

I can't make it to the meeting tonight, so here are my thoughts on the ordinance.

The Planning Commission would like to have language in Code that specifies when Borough projects come before the commission for review and public input. We don't want the public hearings to hold up public projects, so I would like to propose a modification to the ordinance.

Small projects require less review, while larger ones require more. I think the projects should be categorized by cost, and a number of reviews assigned accordingly. Projects under \$100,000 maybe only need one review, at the conceptual stage or at 35% of design. Projects under \$1,000,000 could have two reviews, projects under \$10,000,000 three reviews, and so on. What we want to avoid is the situation we had with the harbor project, where the public felt that they were locked out of the planning process.

If you think this is a good concept, the Planning Commission will take the ordinance back and work on it.

Thanks.

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