

# CASE SUMMARY

**APPLICATION TYPE: ORDINANCE AMENDMENT**

KNOXVILLE · KNOX COUNTY

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**File Number:** 5-A-10-OA                      **Related File Number:**  
**Application Filed:** 4/16/2010              **Date of Revision:**  
**Applicant:** CITY OF KNOXVILLE PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT

## PROPERTY INFORMATION

**General Location:**  
**Other Parcel Info.:**  
**Tax ID Number:** 999 999                      **Jurisdiction:**  
**Size of Tract:**  
**Accessibility:**

## GENERAL LAND USE INFORMATION

**Existing Land Use:**  
**Surrounding Land Use:**  
**Proposed Use:**                                      **Density:**  
**Sector Plan:**                                      **Sector Plan Designation:**  
**Growth Policy Plan:**  
**Neighborhood Context:**

## ADDRESS/RIGHT-OF-WAY INFORMATION (where applicable)

**Street:**  
**Location:**  
**Proposed Street Name:**  
**Department-Utility Report:**  
**Reason:** Amending the City of Knoxville Zoning Ordinance at Article 5, Section 13 (Temporary Uses), adding a provision for the use of goats for control of kudzu or other invasive plants.

## ZONING INFORMATION (where applicable)

**Current Zoning:**  
**Former Zoning:**  
**Requested Zoning:**  
**Previous Requests:**  
**Extension of Zone:**  
**History of Zoning:**

## PLAN INFORMATION (where applicable)

**Current Plan Category:**  
**Requested Plan Category:**

**SUBDIVISION INFORMATION (where applicable)**

Subdivision Name:

No. of Lots Proposed:

No. of Lots Approved: 0

Variances Requested:

S/D Name Change:

**OTHER INFORMATION (where applicable)**

**Other Bus./Ord. Amend.:** Amending the City of Knoxville Zoning Ordinance at Article 5, Section 13 (Temporary Uses), adding a provision for the use of goats for control of kudzu or other invasive plants.

**MPC ACTION AND DISPOSITION****Planner In Charge:**

Michael Brusseau

**Staff Recomm. (Abbr.):**

that Article V, Section 13 (Temporary Uses) be amended as shown in Attachment A to allow the use of goats for vegetation control on public property

**Staff Recomm. (Full):****Comments:**

Request:

At the request of the City of Knoxville public service and law departments, MPC has been asked to consider a proposed amendment to the City of Knoxville Zoning Ordinance at Article V, Section 13 (Temporary Uses) regarding the use of goats as a temporary use on public property for vegetation control, particularly kudzu.

Background:

The use of goats to control kudzu has proven to be effective in other cities and the City of Knoxville Department of Public Service would like to try it in Knoxville. The City seeks to amend the zoning ordinance to permit this activity on public lands.

Analysis:

Allowing this activity as a temporary use, subject to established regulations, and requiring approval of the building official will provide a reasonable regulatory framework for the management of goats on public property and help assure the protection of the public interest and the health, safety and welfare of the people of Knoxville.

**Action:**

Approved

**Meeting Date:** 5/13/2010**Details of Action:****Summary of Action:**

Approve the amendment

**Date of Approval:**

5/13/2010

**Date of Denial:****Postponements:****Date of Withdrawal:**Withdrawn prior to publication?:  **Action Appealed?:****LEGISLATIVE ACTION AND DISPOSITION****Legislative Body:**

Knoxville City Council

**Date of Legislative Action:**

6/15/2010

**Date of Legislative Action, Second Reading:** 6/29/2010**Ordinance Number:**

O-99-2010

**Other Ordinance Number References:**

O-99-2010

**Disposition of Case:**

Approved

**Disposition of Case, Second Reading:**

Approved

**If "Other":****If "Other":****Amendments:****Amendments:****Date of Legislative Appeal:****Effective Date of Ordinance:**