



## Legislation Details (With Text)

**File #:** 15-1014      **Version:** 1      **Name:**  
**Type:** Ordinance      **Status:** Passed  
**File created:** 11/2/2015      **In control:** Board of Mayor & Aldermen  
**On agenda:** 1/26/2016      **Final action:** 1/26/2016  
**Title:** Consideration Of Ordinance 2015-56, To Be Entitled, "An Ordinance To Amend The Zoning Ordinance Of The City Of Franklin, Tennessee, Chapter 5, Section 5.3, Subsection 5.3.5 (2)(a) Pertaining To Reverse Frontage." (11/19/15 FMPC 9-0; 12/08/15 WS; 1ST Reading 12-08-15 BOMA 8-0; 01/12/16 BOMA 7-0) THIRD AND FINAL READING  
**Sponsors:** Ald. Ann Petersen  
**Indexes:**  
**Code sections:**  
**Attachments:** 1. Ordinance 2015-56 - Zoning Amendment Reverse Frontage\_Law Approved

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
1/26/2016	1	Board of Mayor & Aldermen	approved on third and final reading	Pass
1/12/2016	1	Board of Mayor & Aldermen	referred	Pass
12/8/2015	1	Work Session	acknowledged	
12/8/2015	1	Board of Mayor & Aldermen	referred as a Public Hearing Item	Pass
11/19/2015	1	Franklin Municipal Planning Commission	recommended favorably to the Board of Alderman and	Pass

**DATE:** 11/13/15

**TO:** Franklin Municipal Planning Commission

**FROM:** James Svoboda, Senior Planner  
Bob Martin, Interim Director of Planning and Sustainability

### Subject

Consideration Of Ordinance 2015-56, To Be Entitled, "An Ordinance To Amend The Zoning Ordinance Of The City Of Franklin, Tennessee, Chapter 5, Section 5.3, Subsection 5.3.5 (2)(a) Pertaining To Reverse Frontage." (11/19/15 FMPC 9-0; 12/08/15 WS; 1<sup>ST</sup> Reading 12-08-15 BOMA 8-0; 01/12/16 BOMA 7-0) THIRD AND FINAL READING

### Background/Staff Comments

Reverse Frontage is defined by the Zoning Ordinance as the "orientation of a building on a lot bounded by more than one street that results in the rear of the building abutting or facing a street."

The Zoning Ordinance just generally discourages the development of detached residential lots with reverse frontage in Traditional Areas and permits them to be developed with a 100-foot wide landscape buffer when

they are located adjacent to Interstate 65 or Mack Hatcher Parkway or if the lots front a collector or arterial streets in Conventional Areas.

The purpose of Ordinance 2015-56 is to amend the Zoning Ordinance to prohibit reverse frontage and require that new detached residential lots be developed so that the dwellings front streets or open space instead of backing up to them. This requirement applies to both the lots that are located along the perimeter of a subdivision and those that are located along streets internal to the development. Parallel access drives or access to lots by rear alleys are considered to be acceptable alternatives to reverse frontage.

Reverse frontage would still be permitted in the following situations:

- On new lots or sites located adjacent to Interstate 65 and Mack Hatcher Parkway so long as they provide the required 100-foot wide, Class A landscape buffer.
- On existing platted lots in residential subdivisions or in Planned Units Developments approved prior to the effective date of the Ordinance.

**Recommendation**

**Approval of Ordinance 2015-56 is recommended.**