

# **TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MERION**

## ***Building & Planning Committee***

### **Issue Briefing**

**Topic:** Ordinance to Amend City Avenue District – Regional Center Area

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**I. Action To Be Considered By The Board:**

Consider for recommendation to the Board of Commissioners authorization to advertise and hold a public hearing on January 17, 2018, and consider for adoption an ordinance to amend the Zoning Code to revise the City Avenue District – Regional Center Area (RCA) to allow a second curb cut/driveway by Conditional Use to facilitate a shared parking arrangement.

**II. Why This Issue Requires Board Consideration:**

The Board of Commissioners must adopt Zoning Code amendments in compliance with the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code.

**III. Current Policy Or Practice (If Applicable):**

Not applicable.

**IV. Other Relevant Background Information:**

The shared parking arrangements encouraged in the City Avenue District have not been realized. The proposed amendment to allow a second curb cut by conditional use when it facilitates a shared parking arrangement is intended to advance the goal of encouraging the development of shared parking.

**V. Impact on Township Finances:**

This ordinance will have no impact on Township finances.

**VI. Staff Recommendation**

Staff recommends the Board of Commissioners authorize a public hearing on January 17, 2018, and consider for adoption an ordinance to amend the Zoning Code to revise the City Avenue District – Regional Center Area (RCA) to allow a second curb cut/driveway by Conditional Use to facilitate a shared parking arrangement.