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Options for Addressing Holiday Meal Service at the St. Francis House (B)

The City Commission could consider the following option:

Section 30-111of the Gainesville Land Development Code regulates food distribution centers for the needy except as provided as an accessory use to places of religious assembly. Within this Section of the Code, an upper limit of 130 meals served within any 24 hour period is imposed.

Recently, it has come to the attention of staff that this 130 upper meal limit would impose a hardship on these types of uses, particularly as regards meal service at the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays when it is likely that the meal limit would be exceeded.

This petition would be designed to amend the existing current code language in order to allow those food distribution centers covered by Section 30-111 provisions of the Code to establish three (3) national holidays when the 130 meal limit could be exceeded.

Planning staff feels that it is likely that this item could be heard by the Plan Board at their regularly scheduled December 7, 2009 meeting.

No fiscal impact.

The City Commission discuss and consider the option prepared by staff which would: 1) authorize staff to initiate a Petition to the Plan Board amending Section 30-111 of the Gainesville Land Development Code related to an allowance to exceed the established 130 meal limitation on three (3) national holidays as designated by covered food distribution centers; 2) authorize staff to include in the Petition any proposed amendments to other relevant section of the Gainesville Land Development Code.