

CITY OF BETHLEHEM

Department of Planning and Zoning

Interoffice Memo

TO: Planning Commission Members

FROM: Darlene Heller, AICP, Director of Planning and Zoning

RE: Proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment addressing Fast Casual Restaurants

DATE: March 1, 2018

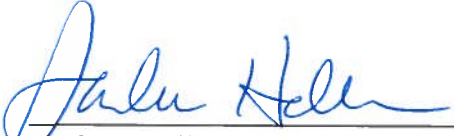
Attached is a draft Zoning Ordinance amendment that eliminates Fast Casual Restaurants with drive-through lanes from the CB (Central Business) and CL (Limited Commercial) Zoning Districts.

Fast Casual Restaurants were added to the Zoning Ordinance in 2015. The current zoning ordinance allows Fast Casual Restaurants with drive-through lanes in several zoning districts, including CD and CL. However, section 1322.03.s(6) states that "restaurants with drive-through service are prohibited in the CB and CL districts". This proposed zoning amendment rectifies this discrepancy in the ordinance.

Restaurant drive-through service is specifically prohibited in these zones to promote walkability and urban design in the core areas of the City.

Fast Casual Restaurants will still be permitted in CB and CL districts without drive through facilities.

This amendment is placed on your March 8 Agenda for consideration.



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