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Analysis

The proposed ordinance would remove alternative financial services as a permitted use in ON, CN, CN-A, CN-NS, and CN-A-NS zoning districts. It would also amend Section 17.16.050.D.2 which has size limitations for alternative financial services in the ON, CN, and CN-NS zoning districts.

Alternative financial services would still be permitted in many mixed-use, commercial, and shopping center zoning districts. These zoning districts are primarily located along major corridors or within large areas of non-residential uses. Development in these zoning districts tends to serve a wider range of people, as opposed to providing immediate services adjacent to serve a neighborhood level. Both the CN and ON zoning districts are typically near residentially zoned properties and intended for nonresidential uses to be developed at a smaller, neighborhood scale. From an analysis of existing alternative financial service establishments by the Planning Department, there were none found in the ON zoning district and one found in the CN zoning district.

This has been approved by the Planning Commission.