By:  Hernandez (Senate Sponsor - Alvarado) H.B. No. 1381

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COMMITTEE VOTE

                 Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Bettencourt       X

Springer          X

Eckhardt          X

Gutierrez         X

Hall              X

Nichols           X

Parker            X

Paxton            X

West              X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the public hearing requirement for a preliminary zoning report made by a zoning commission.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1.  Section 211.007(b), Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b)  The zoning commission shall make a preliminary report and hold at least one public hearing [~~hearings~~] on that report before submitting a final report to the governing body. The governing body may not hold a public hearing until it receives the final report of the zoning commission unless the governing body by ordinance provides that a public hearing is to be held, after the notice required by Section 211.006(a), jointly with a public hearing required to be held by the zoning commission. In either case, the governing body may not take action on the matter until it receives the final report of the zoning commission.

SECTION 2.  The change in law made by this Act applies only to a proposal to change a municipal zoning classification made on or after the effective date of this Act. A proposal to change a municipal zoning classification made before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the proposal was made, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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