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TO: Development Review Committee

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DRC NO. 08-17-03 CONSIDERATION OF AN **ORDINANCE** TO AMEND SINGLE FAMILY HOME FENCE REGULATIONS ON SYMMETRICAL CORNER LOTS.

PETITIONER: CITY OF MARGATE

BACKGROUND: Code currently prohibits fences in the front and corner yards of single family homes located on corner lots. The definition of front plot line, provided in Section 2.2 of the Margate Zoning Code, provides guidance for identifying the front property line of a corner lot. When a corner lot is symmetrical, both property lines with street frontage are considered front plot lines, which creates two front yards on the symmetrical corner lot, and thereby limits where a fence can be installed. This ordinance seeks to provide an exception for symmetrical corner lots, so that a homeowner can fence in the front yard which is contiguous to a rear yard. This will provide the same fencing rights that asymmetrical corner lot properties currently enjoy.