
Sec. 2.200. Protest petition procedures.

- A. Protest petitions. Rezoning, special use permit and preliminary development plan applications (except for revisions to preliminary development plans which do not require a public hearing) are subject to protest petitions in accordance with the following:
1. A protest petition may be filed with the City Clerk - no later than 48 hours at any time prior to the commencement of the public hearing meeting at which by the Governing Body hears the application. To be considered a valid protest, a protest petition must be timely filed and duly signed and acknowledged by the owners of 30 percent or more either of the areas of the land (exclusive of streets and alleys) included in such application or within an area determined by lines drawn parallel to and 185 feet distant from the boundaries of the property included in the application, as the case may be.
 2. Once a valid protest petition has been filed with the City Clerk, it may only be withdrawn if those requesting withdrawal reduce the land area requirement to less than 30 percent.
- B. Adoption where protest filed. Where a valid protest petition has been filed, an ordinance approving the application shall not become effective except by the favorable vote of two-thirds of all members of the Governing Body.