

MEMORANDUM



DATE: February 17, 2006

TO: Zoning Administration Division DSD Zoning Review Section

FROM: Walter Tellez

Zoning Administrator

SUBJECT: LUC 6.3.4, Church Uses in Residential Areas

Land Use Code: Zoning Administrator Determination

Bible study groups meeting in a church members home is permitted in all zones as would cub scout meetings or any other type of weekly meeting. If more than just bible studies are taking place, such as actual church services, funerals, or weddings, etc., then we could consider zoning enforcement action.

(The courts found that limiting the number of people attending a home prayer meeting imposed a substantial burden on the free exercise of religion (this violated RILUPA). This particular court case suggested that instead of a limitation on the number of people who could attend, the city should have placed a limit on traffic or on-street parking.)

s:zoning administration/za determination/LUC 6.3.4.doc