



DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Zoning Ordinance Amendments Regarding High Risk Secured Facilities

Description of Proposal: The Poulsbo City Council passed Ordinance 2019-07 on April 16, 2019. This ordinance established a six-month interim development prohibition on High-Risk Secured Facilities. The City Council authorized and extension to the interim development prohibition on October 9, 2019 (Ordinance 2019-16). This code amendment proposes to replace the interim zoning regulations.

Federal and state court decisions require cities and counties to allow these secured community-based living facilities. Prior to this amendment, there were no local regulations for where these types of facilities could be located.

High-Risk Secured Facility means a facility that provides court-ordered housing, supervision, 24-hour security, and coordinates treatment services for persons who are found by the court to be a "Sexually Violent Predator" or pose a likelihood of serious harm to others as defined in RCW 71.05.020 and are civilly-committed to a less restrictive alternative as defined in state law. Such facilities accommodate two or more persons placed by the court plus treatment and support staff. A High-Risk Secured Facility does not include secure community transition facilities proposed under the authority of, and consistent with the provisions of Chapter 71.09 RCW; or nursing homes, assisted living, or adult family homes that become licensed as enhanced services facilities as defined in RCW 70.97.060(4).

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NOA/Optional DNS: November 15, 2019
Applicant: City of Poulsbo Planning and Economic Development Department
Lead Agency: City of Poulsbo

The City of Poulsbo has determined that the above-described proposal does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

THIS DNS IS ISSUED AFTER USING THE OPTIONAL DNS PROCESS IN WAC 197-11-355. THERE IS NO FURTHER COMMENT PERIOD ON THE DNS.

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Signature: 

APPEAL: Any agency or person may appeal this SEPA determination by filing a written appeal to the responsible official no later than 10 working days from the date of this notice. You should be prepared to make specific factual objections. Contact the responsible official to read or ask about the procedure for SEPA appeals.

