

NOTICE OF APPLICATION and Optional DNS

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2020 LAND USE HOUSEKEEPING CODE AMENDMENTS, TYPE IV

Comments Due: March 6, 2020

The public has the right to review contents of the official file for the proposal, provide written comments, participate in any public hearings, and request a copy of the final decision.

Planning File:

P-02-14-20-01

Notice of Application:

February 21, 2020

Summary of Proposed Amendments: The proposed amendments to the Poulsbo Municipal Code (PMC) are part of the Planning and Economic Development Departments on-going effort to make land use regulations more usable for residents, developers, and City staff by correcting errors, eliminating text ambiguities, codifying internal policies, and reflecting changes in state law. The proposed amendments do not involve significant changes to the code.

Amendments are included for the following PMC Chapters: Chapter 15.35, Tree Cutting and Clearing; Chapter 16.20, Critical Areas; Chapter 17.30, Boundary Line Adjustments; Chapter 18.40, Zoning Definitions; Chapter 18.70, Residential Districts; Chapter 18.80, Commercial Districts; Chapter 18.120, Design Review; Chapter 18.130; Landscaping; Chapter 18.140, Off-Street Parking; Chapter 19.20, Application Classification; Chapter 19.30, Application Review Procedures; Chapter 19.50, Public Notices; Chapter 19.70, Decision Appeal Procedures; Chapter 19.80, Time Frames for Review; and Chapter 19.90, Post Decision Procedures.

Full project documents can be viewed here: https://cityofpoulsbo.com/development-regulation-amendments/.

Environmental Review:

The City of Poulsbo has reviewed the proposed amendments for probable adverse environmental impacts and expects to issue a determination of nonsignificance (DNS) for this project. The Optional DNS process in WAC 197-11-355 is being used. *This may be the only opportunity to comment on the environmental impacts of the proposed amendments.* The proposal may include mitigation measures under applicable codes, and the project review process may incorporate or require mitigation measures regardless of whether an EIS is prepared. A copy of the subsequent threshold determination for the proposal may be obtained upon request.

Agencies, tribes, and the public are encouraged to review and comment on the proposed amendments and probable environmental impacts. **COMMENTS RELATED TO ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MARCH 6, 2020.**

Public Comment Methods:

Interested citizens are encouraged to provide comments to the City by letter, email or fax. All comments will be forwarded to the Poulsbo Planning Commission and City Council. Written comments can be submitted by the following methods:

Mail: City of Poulsbo Planning and Economic Development Department

200 NE Moe Street Poulsbo, WA 98370

Fax: (360) 697-8269 | Email: plan&econ@cityofpoulsbo.com

Interested citizens are also encouraged to attend and provide verbal comments to the City at the Planning Commission and City Council public hearings. Workshops and hearings are held at Poulsbo City Hall, 200 NE Moe Street, Poulsbo, WA.

Public Participation Plan:

A public and agency participation plan has been developed for this amendment process, and can be viewed here: https://cityofpoulsbo.com/development-regulation-amendments/. A copy is also available at the Planning and Economic Development (PED) Department.

Date, Time, and Place of Meetings and Hearings: The Planning Commission has scheduled a public workshop on February 25 and March 10, 2020; a public hearing is tentatively scheduled for March 24, 2020. The City Council has workshops scheduled for April 8 and April 15, 2020; a public hearing is tentatively scheduled for May 6, 2020. All meeting dates are subject to change. Public notices for public hearing dates will be issued and published in the City's official newspaper and City's website.

The Planning Commission will make recommendations to the City Council. The City Council is the decision-making authority for the draft ordinance. Hearing procedures are available from the PED Department and City Clerk's office and are conducted based on Roberts Rules of Order.

Further Information:

Please contact the Poulsbo PED Department at (360) 394-9748, www.cityofpoulsbo.com or plan&econ@cityofpoulsbo.com for further information.

Examination of File:

The complete document may be viewed at the PED Department, Poulsbo City Hall, 200 NE Moe Street, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Project documents are also available online here: https://cityofpoulsbo.com/development-regulation-amendments/

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