



Notice of Application with Optional DNS and Planning Commission Public Hearing

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2024 CODE AMENDMENTS: HOUSEKEEPING, STATE MANDATES, AND HOUSING DIVERSITY

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

Planning File:	P-01-03-24-01	Application Type:	IV
Notice of Application:	January 8, 2024	Comments Due:	January 22, 2024
Summary of Proposed Amendments:	<p>The proposed amendments to the Poulsbo Municipal Code (PMC) are presented in 3 categories – Housekeeping, State Mandates, and Housing Diversity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Housekeeping amendments 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.• State mandates refer to directives or requirements imposed by the state government on local jurisdictions or municipalities regarding how they plan and regulate land use within their boundaries. Mandates typically come in the form of laws, regulations, or policies that outline specific criteria, standards, and procedures that local governments must follow when making decisions about land development and zoning.• Housing diversity refers to the variety of housing options available and encompasses a range of housing types, sizes, styles, and price points to accommodate the diverse needs and preferences within the community. The concept of housing diversity recognizes that individuals and families have varying lifestyle preferences, income levels, and household sizes. By providing a mix of housing options, a community can better meet the needs of its residents and create a more inclusive and dynamic living environment. <p>Full project documents can be viewed here: https://cityofpoulsbo.com/development-regulation-amendments-2/</p>		
Environmental Review:	<p>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. <i>This may be the only opportunity to comment on the environmental impacts of the proposed amendments.</i> 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 MONDAY JANUARY 22, 2024.</p>		
Public Comment Methods:	<p>Written comments may be mailed, e-mailed, or delivered to the City of Poulsbo. To ensure consideration, all written comments must be received prior to the closing of the public hearing. At the hearing, the public will have an opportunity to provide written and verbal testimony regarding the proposed project.</p>		

Public Participation Plan:

A public and agency participation plan has been developed for this review process and can be viewed at <https://cityofpoulsbo.com/development-regulation-amendments-2/>

Draft Document:

The proposed amendments are represented as underline for proposed additions and ~~strikeouts~~ for deletions. The proposed amendments can be found online: <https://cityofpoulsbo.com/development-regulation-amendments-2/>

Planning Commission Public Hearing

The Planning Commission Public Hearing is scheduled for **Tuesday January 23, 2023, at 6:00 pm or soon thereafter**. The Planning Commission will make a recommendation to the City Council. Meeting procedures are available from the PED Department and City Clerk's office and are conducted based on Roberts Rules of Order. Public Hearings are being held as a hybrid virtual/in-person at the web address and call-in number noted below and at City Hall Council Chambers, 200 NE Moe Street. This call-in number: 1 253 215 8782 and meeting id: 813 4761 3119 are provided for virtual attendance, in addition to this webinar link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81347613119>

Further Information:

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



Examination of File:

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