

Planning Commission

Planning and Development Services

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REGULAR (Remote) MEETING AGENDA Snohomish County Planning Commission

February 22, 2022 5:30 PM

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- A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
- B. PUBLIC COMMENT

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• January 25, 2022: Regular Meeting

D. STATUS OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND PAST RECOMMENDATIONS

- Upcoming Planning Commission Meeting Topics
- County Council Actions on Planning Commission Recommendations

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Notice Requirements for Type 1 and Type 2 Permits: Briefing

Sarah Titcomb, PDS Principal Planner, Sarah.Titcomb@snoco.org

Staff will brief the Planning Commission on proposed code amendments to Chapters 30.71 and 30.72 of the Snohomish County Code (SCC) related to appeal hearing notice requirements. The proposed amendments would work to streamline the noticing process for Type 1 permit open record appeal hearings by identifying one responsible party and one method. The proposed amendments would also allow the responsible party to email notice of Type 1 and Type 2 permit appeal hearings to parties of record.

For further information, please review the following:

Briefing Staff Report dated 2/22/2021



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2. Subdivisions and Short Subdivisions: Briefing

Sarah Titcomb, PDS Principal Planner, <u>Sarah.Titcomb@snoco.org</u>

Staff will brief the Planning Commission on proposed code amendments to Chapters 30.41A and 30.41B of the Snohomish County Code (SCC) relating to subdivisions and short subdivisions. The proposed code amendments will increase consistency between the subdivision and short subdivision chapters, as well as with other Title 30 chapters, the Snohomish County Comprehensive Plan, and a recent administrative rule. The proposal also includes housekeeping changes for internal code consistency.

For further information, please review the following:

• Briefing Staff Report dated 2/22/2021

G. OPEN PUBLIC RECORDS, OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS, AND ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER TRAINING

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SUBJECT:	Staff Report: Proposed Code Amendments Relating to Subdivisions	Subdivisions and Short
DATE:	February 22, 2022	

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this staff report is to provide information on a non-project proposal to amend Chapters 30.41A and 30.41B of the Snohomish County Code (SCC) relating to subdivisions and short subdivisions. The code amendments will increase consistency between the subdivision and short subdivision chapters, as well as with other Title 30 chapters, the Snohomish County Comprehensive Plan, and a recent administrative rule. The proposal also includes housekeeping changes for internal code consistency. Attachment A presents the staff recommended draft findings.

PROPOSAL BACKGROUND

Chapters 30.41A and 30.41B SCC describe the subdivision and short subdivision process for development within unincorporated Snohomish County. The specific processes have changed slightly over time, although subdivisions and short subdivisions have existed as forms of development since the creation of code in Snohomish County. Over time, other chapters of Title 30 were amended, and administrative rules were adopted which were not consistently mirrored within Chapters 30.41A and 30.41B SCC. The proposed amendments are intended to correct these errors.

Snohomish County Planning and Development Services (PDS) staff identified several instances where the current subdivision and short subdivision code provisions conflict with best available science, and other Title 30 provisions, including other sections of Chapter 30.41A SCC. Current subdivision and short subdivision code provisions also conflict with a new administrative rule and changes in PDS's practice. These are all issues related to subdivision of land, and the proposed amendments are intended to address and correct outdated code provisions.

Before the County's development regulations were consolidated in Title 30 SCC, Amended Ordinance No. 86-037 created Chapter 18.46 SCC that placed limits on development on sloping land. The original pre-Growth Management Act (GMA) provisions were ultimately amended over time and portions were recodified in SCC 30.41A.250 and SCC 30.41B.210. These sections also pre-date adoption of Chapter 30.62B SCC that was established to protect Geologically Hazardous Areas. Amended Ordinance No. 86-

037, which adopted the predecessors of SCC 30.41A.250 and SCC 30.41B.210, was originally adopted to "protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizenry and to guard the environment against unsafe and unnecessary degradation by implementing a policy regulating the development of certain sloping land" (SCC 18.46.010). Chapter 18.46 SCC identified other supporting purposes as,

1) To control development on steep slopes and landslide areas,

2) To achieve land use densities that are in conformity with the comprehensive plan...,

3) To allow land planning and development patterns which take into account the added costs and increased benefits of alternative designs...,

4) To encourage development on sloping areas that will retain or provide a desirable amount and distribution of wooded land...,

5) To assure the placement of dwellings, roads and utilities on sloped land so that the open space will coincide with areas of critical environmental concern and/or recreational opportunity,

6) To provide lots on which dwellings may be safely constructed and maintained by the homeowner,

7) To assure that developments on sloped lands demonstrate a concern for the view of the hills as well as the view from the hills,

8) To protect citizens of the county from hazards and risks of soils movement caused by construction, occupation and maintenance of development on certain sloping land only to the extent that these hazards and risks are in excess of those which would occur on lands of lesser slope, and

9) To protect citizens of the county by assured compliance with all applicable ordinances relating to storm water control, site grading, temporary and permanent control of erosion and sediment deposition.

In 1986 the best method available to ensure the safety of the residents was to look at the slope of the land based on a topographic survey and limit development based on that slope. Since that time science has progressed, the State adopted the GMA in 1991, and Snohomish County adopted Chapter 30.62B SCC in 2007. The GMA requires the protection of critical areas such as geologically hazardous areas, utilizing the best available science. This is accomplished through the implementation of Chapter 30.62B SCC that requires a geotechnical report for any development activity requiring a project permit or clearing within an erosion hazard area, a landslide hazard area, two hundred feet of a mine hazard area, or two hundred feet of any faults (SCC 30.62B.140). This geotechnical report must contain the topography of the area, as well as significant geologic contacts, landslides, or downslope soil movement within 200 feet of the site, a channel migration zone study, and the geological condition of the site among many other items listed within SCC 30.62B.140. It is also important to note that a landslide hazard area is more precisely defined than a steep slope within SCC 30.91L.040, as the best available science has determined that steep slopes alone may not create such a hazard.

Importantly, like the purpose supporting the adoption of Chapter 18.46 SCC in 1986, the purpose of Chapter 30.62B SCC is to "provide regulations for the protection of public safety, health and welfare pursuant to the Growth Management Act (chapter 36.70A RCW), in geologically hazardous areas, including: erosion hazard, landslide hazard, seismic hazard, mine hazard, volcanic hazard, and tsunami hazard areas." The chapter's provisions are intended to "provide the protection required by chapter 36.70A RCW for wetlands and for fish & wildlife habitat conservation areas while simultaneously protecting property rights. The County Council nevertheless recognizes that implementation of some provisions of this chapter 30.62B SCC will inevitably entail some restriction of property rights. It is the intent of the County Council that this chapter be always construed and interpreted so that property rights

be restricted no further than strictly necessary for the critical area protection required under chapter 36.70A RCW." As a result, SCC 30.41A.250 and SCC 30.41B.210 are outdated and no longer necessary to protect geologically sensitive areas such as steep slopes and retaining these two provisions in Title 30 require applicants to go beyond what is required within the GMA. This could place undue burdens on the development of land that could increase the cost and time to develop beyond what is necessary for development within other critical areas in the county. Further, the current provisions work to limit a development's housing density and can result in sprawl contrary to the GMA's state goal of reducing such patterns.

Other issues caused by outdated code that the proposed amendments aim to fix for subdivisions include:

- SCC 30.41A.500 through .550 allow for the development of model homes within subdivisions, although there is not an equivalent allowance within Chapter 30.41B SCC. An administrative rule (20-01) was adopted on January 13, 2021, to apply model home provisions to short subdivisions to "fill gaps in code" as short subdivisions are considered subdivisions of land.
- SCC 30.41A.550 requires "two copies of a plot plan." PDS accepts all permit applications and asbuilt drawings digitally and does not require a hard copy. The requirement for two copies is a holdover from when all permits were submitted to the PDS on paper.
- Amended Ordinance No. 17-045 authorized PDS to approve final subdivisions administratively. Previously, the County Council was required to approve all final plats. Nonetheless, SCC 30.41A.640(2) still requires a final subdivision submittal to be publicly noticed. When PDS reviews a final subdivision submittal, all major decisions related to the project, such as the number and configuration of lots, road placement, and landscaping have been previously approved by the Hearing Examiner after the conclusion of an open record hearing requiring public notice. Final plat approval is now a ministerial and non-discretionary process. This means that PDS may administratively approve a final subdivision and that final subdivision can then be recorded with the Snohomish County Auditor when it finds the final plat is consistent with the approved preliminary subdivision, meets all conditions of approval and applicable codes, and all necessary improvements are completed. Requiring a public noticing period for the final subdivision submittal when a public hearing is no longer required leads to a false expectation that the public can comment on and influence the final subdivision in the same way they can earlier in the process when an application is first submitted and considered by the Hearing Examiner at the preliminary subdivision stage.
- Amended Ordinance No. 17-045 allowing final plats to be approved administratively inadvertently left in the word "council" within SCC 30.41A.665(1) and (3).

PROPOSED CODE AMENDMENTS

Table 1 outlines the proposed code amendments, as well as the findings in support of the proposed code amendments by subsection. The proposed code amendments will increase consistency between Chapters 30.41A and 30.41B, with the GMA Comprehensive Plan (GMACP), and with the rest of Title 30 SCC by:

- Aligning the chapters with the County's post-GMA critical area regulations;
- Codifying Rule 20-01 allowing model homes in short subdivisions;
- Making housekeeping amendments to improve implementation and readability; and
- Ensuring internal consistency within Chapter 30.41A SCC related to the administrative final plat approval process.

TABLE 1: SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CODE CHANGES AND FINDINGS				CODE CHANGES AND FINDINGS	
	I	Proposed Cha	nge		Finding
All subdivisions development in 30.62B.320 and apply to all sub (1) Determina assess the appl the department the applicant s engineer or lar recognized and	Proposed Change 30.41A.250 Density for sloping land. II subdivisions shall comply with applicable requirements regarding evelopment in erosion and landslide hazard areas pursuant to SCC 0.62B.320 and 30.62B.340. In addition, the following requirements shall pply to all subdivisions: 1) Determination of Slope. The applicant shall determine land slope and ssess the applicability of this section. This information shall be provided to ne department along with the completed application. In determining slope, ne applicant shall obtain a topographic survey from a registered professional ngineer or land surveyor which defines the slope of the property to a ecognized and acceptable mapping standard. In all areas proposed for roads r dwellings, elevations of 90 percent of the area shall be within three feet of		SCC 30.41A.250 is being repealed because since its original enactment in 1986, Snohomish County adopted critical area codes under the GMA aimed at protecting landslide hazard areas and guiding development near those areas. Namely, Chapter 30.62B SCC was adopted in 2007 by Amended Ord 06-061 with its purpose stated in SCC 30.62B.010(1) as to "[P]rovide regulations for the protection of public safety, health and welfare pursuant to the Growth Management Act (chapter 36.70A RCW), in geologically hazardous areas, including: erosion hazard, landslide hazard, seismic hazard, mine hazard, volcanic hazard, and tsunami hazard areas" (SCC 30.62B.010(1)). The intent supporting Chapter 30.62B SCC is further stated in SCC 30.62B.015 and is to "[P]rovide the protection required by chapter 36.70A RCW for		
(2) <i>Determination of Potential Maximum Dwelling Unit Density.</i> The applicant shall determine maximum unit yield for the specified zones from Table 30.41A.250(2), except that this requirement shall not apply to a planned residential development combined with a preliminary subdivision; and		wetlands and for fish & wildlife habitat conservation areas while simultaneously protecting property rights. The County Council nevertheless recognizes that implementation of some provisions of this chapter 30.62B SCC will inevitably entail some restriction of property rights. It is the intent of the County Council that this chapter be always construed and interpreted so that property			
Zoning	l e 30.41A.250(2) 		ts/Gross acre		rights be restricted no further than strictly necessary for the critical area protection required under chapter 36.70A RCW."
Rural Conservation	15-20% slope . 5	21-25% slope .5	26-33% slope	Over 33% slope .25	Where a proposed development activity impacts a geologically hazardous area it must be supported by a geotechnical report meeting the requirements of SCC 30.62B.140.
SA I-Acre	1.0	1.0	<u>1.0</u>	. <u>25</u>	
R-20,000	<u>1.8</u>	1.8	1.8	- <u>-25</u>	
R-12,500	2.8	2.8	1.8	.25	

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Slope means an inclined ground surface, the inclination of which is expressed as a rating of horizontal distance to vertical distance. Slope percentages are calculated by taking the vertical rise over the horizontal run. For land areas greater than 15 percent natural slope, maximum unit yield in the identified zones shall be determined by multiplying the gross site area by the appropriate density factors found in SCC Table 30.41A.250(2). For the purpose of this table, a continuous slope with a horizontal run of less than 50 feet shall be considered level when the slope percentage is less than 33 percent.	SCC 30.41A.250 is no longer required to protect geologically hazardous areas such as landslide hazards areas that incorporate steep slopes, and this provision places an undue burden on applicants that can led to increased development costs without increased environmental protections. Implementation of this provision can lead to unnecessary sprawl contrary to the GMA's mandate.
(3) The department may require engineering or other technical justification for development in sloped areas where it determines that the public health, safety, welfare, or environment may be jeopardized by the proposed development.))	
((30.41B.210 Design standards slopes.	This subsection is proposed to be repealed for consistency with
All short subdivisions shall comply with the requirements of SCC	the repeal of SCC 30.41A.250 described above.
30.41A.250.))	
30.23.020 Minimum net density for residential development in UGAs.	This cross-reference to SCC 30.41A.250 is proposed to be
(6) The minimum net density requirement of this section shall not apply:	removed in order to be consistent with the repealed subsections
(a) In the Darrington, Index, and Gold Bar UGAs; and	described above.
(b) Where ((regulations on development of steep slopes, SCC 30.41A.250,))	
or sewerage regulations, SCC 30.29.100, require a lesser density.	

30.41B.500 ((Reserved)) <u>Model Homes</u> <u>A limited number of model homes are allowed to be constructed in an</u> <u>approved preliminary short subdivision prior to final short subdivision</u> <u>approval and recording in accordance with the process outline for preliminary</u> <u>subdivisions within SCC 30.41A.510 through 30.41A.550. These sections shall</u> <u>not be construed to supersede or amend the purpose and intent of the</u> <u>Snohomish County Code regarding the requirements for short subdivision</u> <u>approval.</u>	This subsection is proposed to be added because under state law and county code, short subdivisions are a type of subdivision (the only significant difference being the number of lots and a simplified approval process) and there is no articulable reason to not allow model homes to be built in short subdivisions. As Chapter 30.41B SCC is silent on allowing model homes to be constructed in short subdivisions, PDS Administrative Rule 20-01 was implemented in 2021 to allow model homes in short subdivisions. The addition of this code section will codify the previously adopted administrative rule allowing model homes in short subdivisions.
30.41A.550 Model homes - as-built submittal. Prior to final subdivision approval, the applicant shall submit ((two copies of)) a plot plan delineating the as-built location of the model home on the lot. The corners of the lot shall be set by a registered professional land surveyor prior to commencement of construction. The plot plan shall be included in both the building permit record and the subdivision file record.	No substantive changes proposed. Rather this is a housekeeping amendment to align the provision with current PDS practice of only accepting electronic submittals where duplicate digital copies are not necessary for permit review.
 30.41A.640 ((Public notice of final)) Final subdivision submittal and approval procedure ((for final subdivision)) (((2) Public notice of final subdivision submittal shall be provided by the department within 21 days of determination that the application is complete by: (a) Mailing to all taxpayers of record and known site addresses within 300 feet of any portion of the boundary of the final subdivision, and to those official parties of record listed in the hearing examiner decision on the preliminary subdivision application; (b) Posting in accordance with SCC 30.70.050 and 30.70.045; 	This amendment will remove the requirement to publicly notice a final subdivision submittal because at that stage, the development has been approved by the Hearing Examiner and is likely under construction. Public notice of final subdivisions is a holdover from when final subdivisions had to be approved by the County Council after a public hearing. Current code, adopted under the authority of RCW 58.17.100, allows PDS to approve a final subdivision submittal if it complies with state law and county code, is in the proper form for recordation, is consistent with the approved preliminary subdivision, meets all conditions of approval for the preliminary subdivision, and all required improvements have been constructed. Continuing to require
(c) Mailing to all parties that have provided written comment on the preliminary subdivision in accordance with SCC 30.70.045; and	public notice of a final subdivision submittal is not required under state law and sets a false expectation that public comments and questions can have the same impact at the final subdivision

(d) Notices required pursuant to subsections (2)(a), (b) and (c) of this section	submittal as they can during Hearing Examiner's review and
shall solicit comments on the final subdivision recommendation. All	decision on the preliminary subdivision proposal. Under the
comments shall be submitted to the department within 15 days of the mailing	county code, final subdivision approval is now an administrative,
of the public notice.))	ministerial, and non-discretionary process that does not require a
(((3))) <u>(2)</u> The department shall coordinate the final subdivision review process among the appropriate county departments and other agencies <u>.</u> ((after compliance with the public notice provisions of subsection (2) of this section.))	hearing in which the public may participate. Providing notice of the final submittal is not required under state law and removing the noticing requirement will save PDS money and time without substantially changing the review process or lessening the impact of the public.
(((4))) (3) The final subdivision shall be approved or disapproved by the department. The department shall base its decision on the following:	There is not a state requirement for the submittal of a final subdivision to be publicly noticed.
(a) The recommendations of the Snohomish Health District and any purveyors with jurisdiction as to the adequacy of the sewage disposal and potable water supply;	
(b) The recommendation of the provider with jurisdiction as to the adequacy of electrical availability;	
(c) The recommendation of the department of public works;	
(d) The recommendation of the fire marshal;	
(e) The recommendations of other relevant federal, state, and local agencies;	
(f) The requirements of state law, the county code, and all other applicable codes;	
(g) The submittal of a certificate of title prepared by a title insurance company no more than 30 days prior to submittal of the final subdivision which must show the names of all persons, firms, or corporations whose consent is necessary to dedicate land for public usage, as well as any easements or other encumbrances to the land proposed for subdivision:	

(h) Any evidence of ownership interests not shown on title; and(i) Compliance with all conditions imposed in the granting of the preliminary	
subdivision.	
(((5))) (4) Upon finding that the final subdivision has been completed in	
accordance with the county code, that the plat is in proper form for recording	
as established by the submittal requirements, that all required improvements	
have been completed or the arrangements or contracts have been entered	
into to guarantee that such required improvements will be completed, that all conditions of the preliminary subdivision approval and requirements of	
state law and county code have been met, and that the interests of the	
county are fully protected, the department shall obtain the necessary	
signatures on the final plat and the director shall sign the final plat, accepting	
such dedications and easements as may be included thereon, for final	
approval.	
30.41A.665 File with auditor.	Proposed amendment to align the section with Amended
(1) The original of the final subdivision shall be filed and recorded with the	Ordinance No. 17-045 which amended SCC 30.41A.640 where the
county auditor within 30 days from the date of ((council)) approval or the	authority to administratively approve final subdivisions was given
final approval shall lapse. In the case of a lapsed final approval, SCC	to PDS.
30.41A.300 shall govern the expiration of the preliminary approval.	
(3) The auditor shall refuse to accept any final subdivision for filing and recording until final subdivision approval has been given. Should a final	
subdivision or dedication be filed or recorded without such approval, the	
prosecuting attorney shall apply for a writ of mandate in the name of and on	
behalf of the ((council)) <u>department</u> , directing the auditor and assessor to	
remove from their files or records the unapproved subdivision or dedication	
of record.	
30.91M.180 Model home.	With the addition of SCC 30.41B.500 allowing model homes
"Model home" means a dwelling permitted in an approved preliminary	within short subdivisions, the definition of model home
((plat)) <u>subdivision or short subdivision</u> prior to final plat <u>or final short plat</u>	must be revised to ensure consistency across Title 30 SCC.
recording in accordance with chapters 30.41A and 30.41B SCC.	

The following analysis provides a summary of the proposed code amendments compliance with state law, as well as regional, countywide, and county Comprehensive Plan policies.

Compliance with State Law

The Growth Management Act (GMA) planning goals adopted in RCW 36.70A.020 guide the development and adoption of comprehensive plans and development regulations. The goals are not priority-listed. In particular the GMA goals guide the policies in the Snohomish County's GMA Comprehensive Plan (GMACP), and require consistency between the GMACP and implementing development regulations. Table 2 identifies the reasonably related GMA planning goals listed in RCW 36.70A.020, and describes how the proposed code amendments are consistent with and advance those goals.

GMA Planning Goal	Finding
GMA Goal 2: Reduce sprawl. Reduce the	Removing the density limitations for sloping land
inappropriate conversion of undeveloped land	currently found in SCC 30.41A.250, while
into sprawling, low-density development.	recognizing that developments must comply with
	development regulation found in Chapter 30.62B
	SCC, may allow for denser developments and reduce
	sprawl while still protecting the environment.
GMA Goal 4: Housing. Encourage the availability of	Removing the density limitations for sloping land
affordable housing to all economic segments of	and allowing for model homes could allow for
the population of this state, promote a variety of	denser development where all forms of housing are
residential densities and housing types, and	permitted. As densities increase, so to do the
encourage preservation of existing housing stock.	number of housing units allowed, which encourages
	both the availability and affordability of housing.
GMA Goal 7: Permits. Applications for both state	Aligning Chapters 30.41A and 30.41B SCC with the
and local government permits should be	rest of Title 30, Rule 20-01, and previous internal
processed in a timely and fair manner to ensure	changes will allow for more predictability and
predictability.	efficiency in permit processing.
GMA Goal 10. Environment. Protect the	Areas available for infill development may be
environment and enhance the state's high quality	sloped. The proposed code amendments may allow
of life, including air and water quality, and the	for more dense development on these lands where
availability of water.	such development is appropriate and consistent
	with the provisions protecting geologically
	hazardous areas found in Chapter 30.62B SCC.

Table 2 Compliance	with GMA	Planning Goals
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Compliance with the Multi-County Planning Policies

Multi-County Planning Policies (MPPs) within Vision 2050 "provide for coordination and consistency among the metropolitan counties sharing common borders and related regional issues as required by RCW 36.70A.100, and, in order to ensure consistency, the directive policies of the MPPs need to have a binding effect." (Summit-Waller Community Association, et al, v Pierce County). Table 3 identifies the reasonably related MPPs within Vision 2050, and describes how the proposed code amendments are consistent with and advance those goals.

Table 3 Compliance with MPPs

МРР	Finding
MPP-En-5: Locate development in a manner that	Areas available for infill development may be
minimizes impacts to natural features. Promote	sloped. The proposed code amendments may allow
the use of innovative environmentally sensitive	for more dense development on these lands where
development practices, including design,	such development is appropriate and consistent
materials, construction, and on-going	with the provisions protecting geologically
maintenance.	hazardous areas found in Chapter 30.62B SCC.
MPP-En-6: Use the best information available at	The county code provisions restricting density on
all levels of planning, especially scientific	sloping land are based on the best available science
information, when establishing and implementing	from 1986. The regulations found in Chapter 30.62B
environmental standards established by any level	SCC were developed utilizing more current best
of government.	available science methodologies and are aimed at
	protecting geologically hazardous areas which are
	critical areas as defined by the GMA.

Compliance with the Countywide Planning Policies

Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs) establish a countywide framework for developing and adopting county, city, and town comprehensive plans. The role of the CPPs is to coordinate comprehensive plans of jurisdictions in the same county in regard to regional issues and issues affecting common borders (RCW 36.70A.100). Table 4 identifies the reasonably related CPPs, and describes how the proposed code amendments are consistent with and advance those goals.

СРР	Finding
CPP DP-15: The County and cities should adopt	Areas available for infill development may be
policies, development regulations, and design	sloped. The proposed code amendments may allow
guidelines that allow for infill and redevelopment	for more dense development on these lands where
of underutilized lands and other appropriate	such development is appropriate and consistent
areas.	with the provisions protecting geologically
CPP DP-33: Jurisdictions should minimize the	hazardous areas found in Chapter 30.62B SCC.
adverse impacts on resource lands and critical	
areas from new developments through the use of	
environmentally sensitive development and land	
use practices.	
CPP Env-1: All jurisdictions shall protect and	
enhance natural ecosystems through their	
comprehensive plans, development regulations,	
capital facilities programs, and management	
practices. Jurisdictions should work	
collaboratively, employing integrated and	
interdisciplinary approaches, to consider regional	
and countywide strategies and assessments, as	
well as best available qualitative and quantitative	
information, in formulating plans and regulations	
that are specific to their community.	

Table 4 Compliance with CPPs

Compliance with the Snohomish County Comprehensive Plan

The proposed code amendments will better achieve, comply with, and implement the policies identified in Table 5 contained in the County's GMACP.

GMACP Policy	Finding
Goal LU 2: Establish development patterns that	Areas available for infill development may be
use urban land more efficiently.	sloped. The proposed code amendments may allow
Objective LU 6.A: Reduce the rate of growth that	for more dense development on these lands where
results in sprawl in rural and resource areas.	appropriate and consistent with the provision
	protecting geologically hazardous areas found in
	Chapter 30.62B SCC. Allowing more dense
	development will reduce sprawl and result in diverse
	housing types and development patterns which use
	land efficiently.

Table 5 Compliance with the Comprehensive Plan

GMACP Policy	Finding
Goal HO 1: Ensure that all county residents have	Removing the limitation on density for sloping land
the opportunity to obtain safe, healthy, and	and allowing for model homes in short subdivisions
affordable housing.	will allow for denser development where all forms
Objective HO 1.B: Ensure that a broad range of	of housing are permitted, while ensuring the
housing types and affordability levels is available	protection of the environment. As densities
in urban and rural areas.	increase, so to do the number of housing units
	allowed, which can help reduce the prices of homes.
Objective HO 3.A: Encourage land use practices,	Ensuring that the code is internally consistent will
development standards, and building permit	allow for more efficient permit processing by
requirements that reduce housing production	reducing confusion.
costs.	
ED Policy 2.A.3: To ensure timeliness,	
responsiveness, and increased efficiency, the	
county shall develop and maintain a program of	
periodic review of the permitting process to	
eliminate unnecessary administrative procedures	
that do not respond to legal requirements for	
public review and citizen input.	
Objective NE 1.A: Balance the protection of the	Repealing SCC 30.41A.250 and SCC 30.41B.210
natural environment with economic growth,	better aligns county code development regulations
housing needs and the protection of property	with the GMA and Chapter 30.62B SCC.
rights.	
Goal NE 3: Comply with the requirements of state,	
federal and local laws for protecting and managing	
critical areas, shorelines, and water.	
Objective NE 3.E: Designate and protect geologic	
hazard areas pursuant to the Growth	
Management Act.	

Environmental Review

A State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Determination is required for the proposed code amendments. A SEPA Determination of Non-Significance was issued on February 3, 2022.

Notification of State Agencies

Pursuant to RCW 36.70A.106, a notice of intent to adopt the proposed regulations and standards was transmitted to the Washington State Department of Commerce on February 3, 2022.

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of the proposed code amendments and findings contained in this staff report.

Action Requested

The Planning Commission is requested to hold a public hearing, consider the proposed code amendments, and provide a recommendation to the County Council. The Planning Commission can

recommend approval of the amendments with supporting findings of fact as proposed or modified, deny the proposal with findings, or amend the proposal with appropriate findings.

cc: Ken Klein, Executive Director Mike McCrary, PDS Director David Killingstad, PDS Manager Michael Dobesh, PDS Manager Ryan Countryman, Legislative Analyst

Attachments

Attachment A: Proposed Code Amendments, Draft Findings of Fact and Conclusions

<u>Attachment A</u> Subdivision and Short Subdivision Proposed Code Amendments Findings of Fact and Conclusions

Section 1. Snohomish County Planning Commission adopts the following findings in support of this ordinance:

- A. The foregoing recitals are adopted as findings as if set forth in full herein.
- B. This ordinance will amend Title 30 SCC to revise subdivision and short subdivision development regulations in Chapters 30.41A and 30.41B SCC. The code amendments are intended to address outdated sections of code, increase consistency within and between Chapters 30.41A and 30.41B SCC, and increase consistency between these chapters and the rest of Title 30 SCC, by: 1) aligning the chapters with post-GMA critical area regulations; 2) codifying PDS administrative Rule 20-01 and allowing the construction of model homes in short subdivisions; 3) making housekeeping amendments to improve implementation and readability; and 4) removing unnecessary final plat noticing provisions given that final plat approval in Snohomish County is now an administrative and ministerial process which does not require a public hearing before the County Council.
- C. In developing the code amendments, the County considered the goals of the GMA identified in RCW 36.70A.020, specifically those goals related to reducing sprawl, housing, permitting, and the environment. The proposed regulations are reasonably related to, and necessary for, the advancement of the before mentioned GMA planning goals.
- D. The code amendments will allow Chapters 30.41A and 30.41B SCC to achieve, comply with, and implement the below listed goals, objectives, and policies contained in the County's General Policy Plan (GPP) a component of the GMACP, by using land more efficiently, fostering compact development to minimize impacts to the natural environment, and providing regulations that are predictable.
 - 1. Goal LU 2: "Establish development patterns that use urban land more efficiently."
 - 2. Objective LU 6.A: "Reduce the rate of growth that results in sprawl in rural and resource areas."
 - 3. Goal HO 1: "Ensure that all county residents have the opportunity to obtain safe, healthy, and affordable housing."
 - 4. Objective HO 1.B: "Ensure that a broad range of housing types and affordability levels is available in urban and rural areas."
 - 5. Objective HO 3.A: "Encourage land use practices, development standards, and building permit requirements that reduce housing production costs."
 - 6. Objective NE 1.A: "Balance the protection of the natural environment with economic growth, housing needs and the protection of property rights."
 - 7. Goal NE 3: "Comply with the requirements of state, federal and local laws for protecting and managing critical areas, shorelines, and water."

- 8. Objective NE 3.E: "Designate and protect geologic hazard areas pursuant to the Growth Management Act."
- 9. ED Policy 2.A.3: "To ensure timeliness, responsiveness, and increased efficiency, the county shall develop and maintain a program of periodic review of the permitting process to eliminate unnecessary administrative procedures that do not respond to legal requirements for public review and citizen input."
- E. The proposed code amendments are consistent with the record:
 - SCC 30.41A.250 is repealed because since its adoption in 1986 there have been advances in science and several iterations of critical area code updates intended to protect geological hazard areas and limit nearby growth. The GMA requires the protection of critical areas such as geologically hazardous areas, and this is implemented within Chapter 30.62B SCC that was adopted in 2007 (Amended Ord 06-061). Repealing SCC 30.41A.250 promotes internal consistency within Title 30 SCC and does not place an undue burden on development that could limit the variety and affordability of housing in urban and rural areas.
 - 2. SCC 30.41B.210 repealed to be consistent with the deletion of SCC 30.41A.250.
 - 3. SCC 30.23.020(6)(b) is revised to remove a reference to SCC 30.41A.250 and be consistent with the repeal of this provision.
 - 4. SCC 30.41B.500 is amended to allow short subdivisions to propose model homes prior to the recordation of a final short plat. This addition will reference SCC 30.41A.510 through .550 as model homes are permitted in subdivisions, and short subdivisions are another form of subdivision with limited new lots. PDS administrative Rule 20-01 was adopted in 2021 that allows model homes in short subdivisions, and this amendment codifies that administrative rule.
 - 5. The definition of model homes within SCC 30.91M.180 is amended to be consistent with amendments made within SCC 30.41B.500 that allow model homes within approved preliminary short subdivisions prior to final short subdivision recordation.
 - 6. SCC 30.41.550 is amended to delete the requirement that two copies of a plot plan be submitted for review. This is a housekeeping amendment to align the provision with current PDS practice of accepting only electronic submittals where duplicate digital copies are not necessary.
 - 7. SCC 30.41A.640 is amended to remove the requirement to publicly notice a final plat submittal. As allowed by RCW 58.17.100, Amended Ordinance No. 17-045 made final plat approval an administrative process that does not require a public hearing. Despite the removal of the County Council from the final subdivision decision process, the public noticing requirements were inadvertently left unchanged. This amendment would rectify the situation and remove expectations that public comments during the final subdivision review could have the same impact as public comments made before the preliminary subdivision was approved by the Hearing Examiner.
 - 8. SCC 30.41A.665(1) and (3) are amended by deleting the word "council" and replacing it with "department" within (3). Amended Ordinance No. 17-045 within SCC 30.41A.640 made final plat

approval an administrative process, and SCC 30.41A.665 was not updated at that time to reflect the changes elsewhere in the chapter. This is a housekeeping amendment.

- F. The proposed code amendments are consistent with the record as set forth in the PDS Staff Report dated February 22, 2022.
- G. Procedural requirements:
 - 1. The proposal is a Type 3 legislative action under SCC 30.73.010 and 30.73.020.
 - 2. As required by RCW 30.70A.106(1), a notice of intent to adopt the proposed code amendments was transmitted to the Washington State Department of Commerce for distribution to state agencies on February 3, 2022.
 - 3. State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), chapter 43.21C RCW, requirements with respect to this non-project action have been satisfied through the completion of an environmental checklist and the issuance of a determination of non-significance on February 3, 2022.
 - 4. The public participation process used in the adoption of the proposed code amendments has complied with all applicable requirements of the GMA and SCC.
 - 5. As required by RCW 30.70A.370, the Washington State Attorney General last issued an advisory memorandum in September 2018 entitled "Advisory Memorandum and Recommended Process for Evaluating Proposed Regulatory or Administrative Actions to Avoid Unconstitutional Takings of Private Property" to help local governments avoid unconstitutional takings of private property. The process outlined in the State Attorney General's 2015 advisory memorandum was used by the County in objectively evaluating the regulatory changes in this ordinance.

Section 2. The County Council makes the following conclusions:

- A. The proposal is consistent with Washington State law and Snohomish County Code.
- B. The proposal is consistent with the GMACP and with the goals, objectives, and policies of the GPP.
- C. The County has complied with all SEPA requirements with respect to this non-project action.
- D. The regulations proposed by this ordinance do not result in an unconstitutional taking of private property for a public purpose.
- E. The County complied with the state and local public participation requirements under the GMA and chapter 30.73 SCC.

Section 3. The County Council bases its findings and conclusions on the entire record of the County Council, including all testimony and exhibits. Any finding, which should be deemed a conclusion, and any conclusion which should be deemed a finding, is hereby adopted as such.

Proposed Code Amendments Relating to Subdivisions and Short Subdivisions

Snohomish County Planning Commission: Briefing February 22, 2022 Sarah Titcomb, Principal Planner



Presentation Overview

- Identify inconsistencies in Chapters 30.41A and 30.41B SCC with best available science, administrative rules, practice, and Title 30 SCC
- Explain how issues could be addressed
- List the proposed amendments





Density for Sloping Land

SCC 30.41A.250 Amendment Ordinance No. 86-037

Growth Management Act Adopted 1990 Geological Hazardous Areas (Chapter 30.62B SCC) Adopted 2007



Density for Sloping Land

- Amended Ordinance No. 86-037: "protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizenry and to guard the environment against unsafe and unnecessary degradation by implementing a policy regulating the development of certain sloping land" (SCC 18.46.010)
 - Best available science and policy has evolved.
 - Undue burden on development





Additional Conflicts

- Administrative Rule (20-01) applies model home provisions to short subdivisions to "fill gaps in code" within Chapter 30.41B SCC.
 - Definition of model home within SCC 30.91M.180 refers only to plats.
- SCC 30.41A.550 requires "two copies of a plot plan."
- SCC 30.41A.640(2) requires a final subdivision submittal to be publicly noticed after all major decisions have been made by the Hearing Examiner.
- Amended Ordinance No. 17-045 inadvertently left in the word "council" within SCC 30.41A.665(1) and (3).



Proposal Objectives

Align Chapters 30.41A and 30.41B SCC with post GMA critical area regulations

Codify Rule 20-01

Make housekeeping and internal consistency amendments



Proposed Amendments: Density for Sloping Land

((30.41A.250 Density for sloping land.

All subdivisions shall comply with applicable requirements regarding development in erosion and landslide hazard areas pursuant to SCC 30.62B.320 and 30.62B.340. In addition, the following requirements shall apply to all subdivisions:

(1) *Determination of Slope.* The applicant shall determine land slope and assess the applicability of this section. This information shall be provided to ...

((30.41B.210 Design standards - slopes.

All short subdivisions shall comply with the requirements of SCC 30.41A.250.))



Proposed Amendments: Model Homes

30.41B.500 ((Reserved)) Model Homes

A limited number of model homes are allowed to be constructed in an approved preliminary short subdivision prior to final short subdivision approval and recording in accordance with the process outline for preliminary subdivisions within SCC 30.41A.510 through 30.41A.550. These sections shall not be construed to supersede or amend the purpose and intent of the Snohomish County Code regarding the requirements for short subdivision approval.

30.91M.180 Model home.

"Model home" means a dwelling permitted in an approved preliminary ((plat)) <u>subdivision or</u> <u>short subdivision</u> prior to final plat <u>or final short</u> <u>plat</u> recording in accordance with chapters 30.41A <u>and 30.41B</u> SCC.







Proposed Amendments: Final Subdivisions

30.41A.640 ((*Public notice of final***))** <u>Final</u> subdivision submittal and approval procedure ((for final subdivision))

(((2) Public notice of final subdivision submittal shall be provided by the department within 21 days of determination that the application is complete by: ...

30.41A.665 File with auditor.

(1) The original of the final subdivision shall be filed and recorded with the county auditor within 30 days from the date of ((council)) approval or the final approval shall lapse. ...



Public Engagement

- Outreach to broader public
 - Requested comments from development and environmental organizations
 - SEPA determination of non-significance issued February 3, 2022
 - Commerce notified on February 3, 2022





Subdivisions: Index # 2.0004.pdf



Questions?

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Planning Commission

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REGULAR SESSION FEBRUARY 22, 2022 MINUTES

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A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Commissioner Robert Larsen, Planning Commission Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Of the ten (10) currently appointed commissioners, eight (8) were in attendance (a quorum being six (6) members and a majority being six (6) members):

Commissioners Present	Commissioners Absent
Rosanna Brown	Merle Ash
Tom Campbell	Tom Norcott
Leah Everett	
Mark James	
Robert Larsen	
Keri Moore	
Neil Pedersen @5:40 pm	
Raymond Sheldon	

David Killingstad, PDS, Long Range Planning Manager served as the Planning Commission Secretary for this meeting.

A. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was given.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of <u>January 25, 2022</u> were unanimously approved.

C. STATUS OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND PAST RECOMMENDATIONS

- Upcoming Planning Commission Meeting Topics
- County Council Actions on Planning Commission Recommendations

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. NEW BUSINESS



Planning and Development Services

1. Notice Requirements for Type 1 and Type 2 Permits: Briefing

Sarah Titcomb, PDS Principal Planner, <u>Sarah.Titcomb@snoco.org</u>

Sarah Titcomb briefed the Planning Commission on proposed code amendments to Chapters 30.71 and 30.72 of the Snohomish County Code (SCC) related to appeal hearing notice requirements. The proposed amendments would work to streamline the noticing process for Type 1 permit open record appeal hearings by identifying one responsible party and one method. The proposed amendments would also allow the responsible party to email notice of Type 1 and Type 2 permit appeal hearings to parties of record.

After the briefing there were several questions from commissioners including tax-payer notification radius for type 1 permit appeals, hearing requirements for type 1 permits, and clarification on the notification process.

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F. OPEN PUBLIC RECORDS, OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS, AND ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER TRAINING

David Killingstad, PDS, Long Range Planning Manager, <u>David.Killingstad@snoco.org</u> Matthew Otten, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, <u>Matthew.Otten@snoco.org</u> Alex Witenberg, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, <u>Alex.Witenberg@snoco.org</u>

Matt Otten, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, presented on the Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA).

Open Public Meetings Act Presentation dated 2/22/2022



Planning and Development Services

Alex Witenberg, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, presented on Open Public Records.

• Open Public Records Presentation dated 2/22/2022

David Killingstad, Long Range Planning Manager, presented on Parliamentary Procedures.

• Parliamentary Procedures Presentation dated 2/22/2022

G. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.


Planning and Development Services

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EXHIBIT 2.0006

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- C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - <u>February 22, 2022</u>: Regular Meeting

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F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Annual Tree Canopy Report: Briefing

Hilary McGowan, PDS Planner, Hilary.McGowan@snoco.org

PDS staff will provide an overview of tree canopy monitoring and regulations and present the

findings of the 2021 Tree Canopy Monitoring Report.

For further information, please review the following:

- Tree Canopy Presentation
- 2021 Tree Canopy Monitoring Report
- G. ADJOURN



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CITY OF LYNNWOOD NOTICE OF HEARING: ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE FOR ACTUAL CHARGES FOR VIDEO OF BODY WORN CAMERAS The Lynnwod Police Department will conduct a public hearing at which the below-referenced project will be considered. Interested community members are invited to attend this public hearing and to provide comments, either orally or in writing. Project Description: The City of Lynnwood has proposed to adopt an ordinance relating to fees charged by the city establishing a fee for redaction of body work camera recordings amending LMC 3.104.020 providing for severability, and effective date and summary publication. Applicant; City of Lynnwood

Applicant: City of Lynnwood

- Date of Notice: March 7, 2022 Hearing Date: March 28, 2022 Hearing Time: 6:00pm

Hearing Location: The hearing will be held in city council chambers at 19100 44th Ave W, Lynnwood WA 98036. Virtual Please visit

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CITY OF MARYSVILLE NOTICE OF APPLICATION Community Development Department 80 Columbia Avenue • Marysville, WA 98270 (360) 363-8100 • (360) 651-5099 FAX Office Hours: Monday - Friday 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM Notice is hereby given that on March 7, 2022 an application was made to the City of Marysville Community Development Department requesting braie for the form of the form a proposed road widening project along State Avenue from 104th Street NE to 116th Street NE. The project includes expanding the roadway corridor capacity from 3-lanes to 5-lanes to improve operations, constructing sidewalks on the east side of State Avenue to provide safety and non-motorized access, replacement of water main within the project limits, upgrading stormwater systems for conveyance and treatment, revisions to luminaire design to improve lighting along the corridor and coordination with franchise utilities to relocate undreground where possible. Elie Number: PA 22009 Project Title: State Avenue 104th to 116th Applicant: City of Marysville - Public Works Project Contact: Lias Danielski HDR 929 108th Avenue, Suite 1300 Patievrue MA 98004

 APNs:
 N/A - right-of-way

 Date of Completeness:
 March 7, 2022

 A decision on this application will be made within 120 days from the date of completeness. The application and complete case file are available for review at the City of Marysville Community Development Department located at 80 Columbia Avenue, Marysville, WA 98270.

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Written comments on the aforementioned application are solicited and should be forwarded to the City of Marysville Community Development Department, 80 Columbia Avenue, Marysville, WA

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SNOHOMISH CONSERVATION DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING to Conservation District is holding a public meeting on 6:15 PM via zoom to discuss proposed construction of uiding in Lake Stevens. Please see website for details: 3/22/22 at 6:15 PM via zo an office building in Lake snohomishcd.org Published: March 12, 2022. EDH950449

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Bids, RFQ's, RFP's

INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by Snohomish County 911 for: <u>Bid No. 2022-003 DAVID CLARK AND</u> FIRECOM HEADSET INTERCOM INTERFACE CABLES. Interested parties should obtain the bid documents from SNO911 via email to htucker@sno911.org and submit their Bids in accordance with the ITB by 4:00 pm March 15, 2022. The Agency encourages minority and women's business enterprises to request these bid documents and submit proposals with full opportunity and no discrimination in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1064. Act of 1964 EDH949704

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Summons

No. 16-3-00727-1 Summons Served by Publication (SMPB) Superior Court of Washington County of Snohomish

In re: Petitioner:

- Petitioner: Brigitte B. LaBarge And Respondent: Jeffrey M. Fischer To: Jeffrey M. Fischer. The other party has asked the court to: Approve or change a Child Support Order. Order payment of court costs.

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- address: Superior Court Clerk, <u>Snohomish</u> County 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, M/S 605, Everett, WA 98201 <u>Lawyer not required</u>; It is a good idea to talk to a lawyer, but you may file and serve your <u>Response</u> without one. BRIGITTE LA BARGE 2/16/2022 5.
- Petitioner agree to accept legal papers for this case at the following
- ress: 1245 Bradley Rd, Unit 1 Lynden, WA 98264 bsornb00?@hotmail.com nis Summons is issued according to Rule 4.1 of the Superior ourt Civil Rules of the State of Washington. EDH94904 EDH949047

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Case No.: 22-4-01561-3 KNT PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS (RCW 11.40.030) SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR KING COUNTY In the Matter of the Estate of WILLA WAE MODIN, Deceased.

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representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this act and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. Date of First Publication: March 5.2022 Kepterrub Collectrue The Admin-Personal Rep-resentative named below has been appointed as Admin-Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in the manner as p March 5, 2022 KRISTINE GRIFFITH, Personal Representative Attorney for Personal Representatives: Catherine E. Janicki Imitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Admin-Personal Representative or the Admin-Personal Rep-resentative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proce eddings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the Address for Mailing or Service: 5806 A – 119th Ave. SE #143 Bellevue, WA 98006 Published: March 5, 12, 19, 2022. EDH949969

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Hello Commissioners,

Thank you for taking part in the two briefings last week concerning proposed amendments to the Type 1 and Type 2 appeal hearing notification process (Chapters 30.71 and 30.72 SCC) and to the subdivision and short subdivision chapters of Snohomish County Code (Chapters 30.41A and 30.41B SCC). At the end of the two presentations there were two comments that I feel could benefit from additional information.

The first comment related to concern about the proposal to remove the requirement to mail notices of Type 1 open record appeal hearings to taxpayers of record within a certain radius of a subject property. When a Type 1 permit is first submitted, public notice of the application is required to be posted on site, published in the Herald, and mailed to taxpayers of record within a certain radius to the property as well as to other parties pursuant to <u>SCC 30.70.045</u>. It is important to note that notice of Type 1 decisions are only required to be mailed to the applicant and parties of record per <u>SCC 30.71.040</u>, except for Type 1 permits subject to SEPA. When a determination of nonsignificance (DNS) or other SEPA document is issued, public notice must be posted, published, and mailed per <u>SCC 30.61.110</u>.

Only aggrieved parties of record can appeal a Type 1 decision (<u>SCC 30.71.050(1)</u>). Then at the open record appeal hearings only parties to the appeal can participate in the hearing, unless they call on a specific interested person to present relevant testimony. Further, once appeal issues are set, additional issues cannot be raised at the appeal hearing by parties to the appeal or other interested persons (<u>SCC 30.71.050(1)</u>).

Due to the procedures within existing code described above, PDS staff believe that the removal of the requirement to mail notices of Type 1 appeal hearings to taxpayers of record for short subdivisions and projects subject to SEPA will not reduce opportunities for public engagement with land use development projects.

The second comment related to concern that removal of the provisions to limit density on sloping lands would remove protections for residents and the environment. Geologically hazardous areas are considered critical areas in the county and will be protected regardless of <u>SCC 30.41A.250</u> and <u>SCC</u> 30.41B.210 through implementation of Chapter 30.62B SCC. SCC 30.41A.250 and SCC 30.41B.210 also do not necessarily limit development within sloping lands, they only limit density on properties that contain sloping lands, "The department may require engineering or other technical justification for development in sloped areas where it determines that the public health, safety, welfare, or environment may be jeopardized by the proposed development" (SCC 30.41A.250(3)). Chapter 30.62B SCC provides staff and applicants more specificity around when engineering reports (ie geotechnical reports) or other technical justifications are required, as well as what must be included within the report and where and how development can occur to create safer environments. The stated purpose of Chapter 30.62B SCC is, "to provide regulations for the protection of public safety, health and welfare pursuant to the Growth Management Act (chapter 36.70A RCW), in geologically hazardous areas, including: erosion hazard, landslide hazard, seismic hazard, mine hazard, volcanic hazard, and tsunami hazard areas" (SCC <u>30.62B.010(1)</u>). It is also important to note that the provisions of SCC 30.41A.250 and SCC 30.41B.210 are not applicable to all development proposals, namely Planned Residential Developments (PRDs) are exempt per SCC 30.41A.250(2), and projects within many rural, urban, and resource zones, such as R-5, A-10, F, LDMR, MR, MHP, NB, etc., are also exempt because they are not listed within Table 30.41A.250(2).

As all projects are required to comply with Chapter 30.62B SCC, PDS staff believe that repealing 30.41A.250 and SCC 30.41B.210 will not remove GMA required protections for residents and the environment.

Please let me know if you have any further questions or comments.

Sarah Titcomb Principal Planner, Long Range Planning Sarah.Titcomb@snoco.org



Planning and Development Services

3000 Rockefeller Avenue, M/S #604, Everett, WA 98201 Clerk Email: <u>Megan.Moore@snoco.org</u>

REGULAR SESSION MARCH 22, 2022 DRAFT MINUTES

For access to supporting documents reviewed by the Planning Commission, visit the Snohomish County Planning Commission webpage at https://snohomishcountywa.gov/164

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Commissioner Robert Larsen, Planning Commission Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

Of the ten (10) currently appointed commissioners, ten (10) were in attendance (a quorum being six (6) members and a majority being six (6) members):

Commissioners PresentCommissioners AbsentMerle AshRosanna BrownTom CampbellLeah EverettMark JamesRobert LarsenKeri MooreTom NorcottNeil PedersenRaymond Sheldon

Mike McCrary, Planning and Development Services Director served as the Planning Commission Secretary for this meeting.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was given.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of February 22, 2022 were unanimously approved.

D. STATUS OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND PAST RECOMMENDATIONS

Mike McCrary reviewed anticipated topics for upcoming Planning Commission meetings and the status of past recommendations.



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- Upcoming Planning Commission Meeting Topics
- <u>County Council Actions on Planning Commission Recommendations</u>

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Notice Requirements for Type 1 and Type 2 Permits: Hearing

Sarah Titcomb, PDS Principal Planner, Sarah.Titcomb@snoco.org

Principal Planner, Sarah Titcomb, briefly discussed questions raised during the briefing for Type 1 and Type 2 permits at the February 22, 2022, meeting and reiterated the information sent to commissioners in answer to their questions regarding the public noticing requirements for permit appeals.

Commissioner Larsen opened the **Public Hearing at 5:47 p.m.** for the proposed code amendments to Chapters 30.71 and 30.72 of the Snohomish County Code (SCC) related to appeal hearing notice requirements.

No written comments were received by the Planning Commission from the public before the public hearing. No one spoke at the public hearing.

The Public Hearing was closed at 5:47 p.m.

After the hearing the commissioners discussed the public noticing process and clarified the notification radius of permit applications.

A Secondary Motion was made by Commissioner Campbell and seconded by Commissioner Norcott to retain the postal mail notification process for Type 1 and Type 2 permit appeals as is, in existing code.

VOTE (Amendment):

8 in favor (Brown, Campbell, Everett, James, Larsen, Moore, Norcott, Sheldon) 2 opposed (Ash, Pedersen) 0 abstention Amendment PASSED

A main motion was made by Commissioner Campbell and seconded by Commissioner Sheldon recommending approval of the proposed code amendments to Chapter 30.71 and 30.72 of the SCC related to appeal hearing notice requirements.

VOTE (Motion):

10 in favor (Ash, Brown, Campbell, Everett, James, Larsen, Moore, Norcott, Pedersen, Sheldon)
0 opposed
0 abstention
Motion PASSED



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For further information, please review the following:

- Type 1 and Type 2 Response to Commissioners dated 3/7/2022
- <u>Staff Presentation dated 2/22/2022</u>
- Briefing Staff Report dated 2/22/2022
- 2. Subdivisions and Short Subdivisions: Hearing

Sarah Titcomb, PDS Principal Planner, <u>Sarah.Titcomb@snoco.org</u>

Principal Planner, Sarah Titcomb, discussed the questions raised during the briefing for to Chapters 30.41A and 30.41B of the Snohomish County Code (SCC) relating to subdivisions and short subdivisions at the February 22, 2022, meeting. She reiterated the information sent to commissioners in answer to their questions regarding geologically hazardous areas.

Commissioner Larsen opened the **Public Hearing at 6:17 p.m.** for the proposed code amendments to Chapters 30.41A and 30.41B of the Snohomish County Code (SCC) relating to subdivisions and short subdivisions.

No written comments were received by the Planning Commission from the public before the public hearing. No one spoke at the public hearing.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:17 p.m.

After the hearing the commissioners had questions about Growth Management Act (GMA) and SCC protections of critical areas.

A **Motion** was made by Commissioner Norcott and seconded by Commissioner Everett recommending **APPROVAL to** the proposed code amendments to Chapters 30.41A and 30.41B of the Snohomish County Code (SCC) relating to subdivisions and short subdivisions.

VOTE (Motion):

10 in favor (Ash, Brown, Campbell, Everett, James, Larsen, Moore, Norcott, Pedersen, Sheldon) 0 opposed 0 abstention Motion PASSED

For further information, please review the following:

- <u>Subdivisions and Short Subdivisions Response to Commissioners dated 3/7/2022</u>
- Staff Presentation dated 2/22/2022
- Briefing Staff Report dated 2/22/2022

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Annual Tree Canopy Report: Briefing

Hilary McGowan, PDS Planner, Hilary.McGowan@snoco.org

PDS Planner, Hilary McGowan presented the Annual Tree Canopy Report.



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Planner, Hilary McGowan presented the Annual Tree Canopy Report. The presentation included developmental regulations and their goals, 2021 report findings, canopy data analysis and tree type diversity. It also gave recommendations for future analysis including GIS data analysis, and updating the native trees species list.

After the briefing there were several topics discussed by commissioners including carbon footprint, carbon retention and sequestration, ariel surveys for canopy analysis, and the expanding work needed in this field.

For further information, please review the following:

- <u>Tree Canopy Presentation</u>
- <u>2021 Tree Canopy Monitoring Report</u>

G. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 pm.



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PLANNING COMMISSION'S RANGE OF POSSIBLE ACTIONS:

At the conclusion of its public hearing, the County Planning Commission will consider transmitting a formal recommendation to County Council concerning adoption of the proposal. The Commission may make a recommendation to adopt or to not adopt the proposal. The Commission's recommendation may also propose amendments to the proposal. The Planning Commission is an advisory body and the final decision rests with the County Council.

PARTY OF RECORD / PUBLIC TESTIMONY:

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Commission Staff (from Planning and Development Services (PDS) Department): Mike McCrary, Commission Secretary Megan Moore, Commission Clerk

EXHIBIT 2.0011

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SNOHOMISH COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

March 28, 2022

Snohomish County Council County Administration Building 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, M/S 609 Everett, WA 98201-4046

SUBJECT: Planning Commission recommendation on proposed code amendments to the subdivision and short subdivision chapters of Snohomish County Code

Dear Snohomish County Council:

On behalf of the Snohomish County Planning Commission, I am forwarding our recommendation to amend regulations related to subdivisions and short subdivisions. The Planning Commission had a briefing on this topic on February 22, 2022, and conducted a public hearing on March 22, 2022.

The proposed code amendments would increase consistency between the subdivision and short subdivision chapters, as well as with other Title 30 chapters, the Snohomish County Comprehensive Plan, and a recent administrative rule. The proposal also includes housekeeping changes for internal code consistency

There were no written comments received by the Planning Commission from the public prior to the March 22nd hearing, and no members of the public commented at the public hearing.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

At the March 22, 2022, Planning Commission meeting, Commissioner Norcott made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Everett, recommending APPROVAL of the proposed appeal hearing notice requirement amendments contained in the staff report dated February 22, 2022.

Vote (Motion):

9 in favor (Ash, Brown, Campbell, Everett, James, Larsen, Moore, Norcott, Pedersen) 0 opposed 0 abstentions Motion passed

This recommendation was made following the close of the public hearing and after due consideration of information presented and is based on the findings and conclusions presented in the February 22, 2022, staff report, with which the Commission concurred.

During the deliberations, the topic of density on sloping lands was discussed at length. The commissioners feel strongly that the County should continue to ensure protection of geologically hazardous areas and people.

Planning Commission Recommendation Letter Subdivisions Arthenaments to Chapters 30.71 and 30.72 SCC March 28, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Larsen

Robert Larsen (Mar 30, 2022 08:14 PDT)

SNOHOMISH COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION Robert Larsen, Chairman

cc: Dave Somers, Snohomish County Executive Mike McCrary, Director, Planning and Development Services