

UPDATED PUBLIC HEARINGS NOTICE

CITY OF BUCKLEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Monday, July 6, 2020 at 7 pm

REMOTE HEARING (BY PHONE AND ONLINE – SEE BELOW FOR CONNECTION INFORMATION)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Buckley Planning Commission will conduct two public hearings on **Monday, July 6, 2020, at 7 p.m.** The first hearing is to consider adoption of Multifamily Design Guidelines and the second hearing is to consider a zoning code amendment to increase the allowed density and decrease the minimum lot width for townhomes in three zones. A SEPA Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) was issued for both of these non-project actions on June 17, 2020.

UPDATE: Due to an extension of the Governor’s prohibition on in-person public meetings during COVID-19, **these July 6 hearings will be held by phone and online, not in-person.**

Please use the following information to join this hearing remotely:

1. Dial the meeting phone #: **253-215-8782**
2. Enter the meeting ID: **872 8189 5981** followed by pound (#)
3. Join online with this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87281895981> (if you don’t want to use the Zoom App, click “join from your browser”)

HEARING #1 – MULTIFAMILY DESIGN GUIDELINES: The Planning Commission will consider recommending to the City Council adoption of guidelines which specify minimum standards and desirable attributes for multifamily developments in Buckley; in particular new minimum standards for multifamily open space, recreation and parking, as well as other design guidelines. The adoption of these multifamily design guidelines would require a new chapter in Buckley Municipal Code.

HEARING #2 – TOWNHOME DENSITY INCREASE AND MINIMUM LOT WIDTH REDUCTION: The Planning Commission will consider a request from project proponent Hosford Construction, LLC who submitted a Zoning Code Text Amendment application on December 17, 2019 (file # ZCTA-19-0001). The request is to amend Buckley Municipal Code Title 19 to increase the allowed density for townhomes by lowering the townhome minimum lot size to 2,150 square feet per unit for the following zones: High Density Residential (currently 3,000 sf/unit min. lot size), Neighborhood Mixed Use (currently 3,500 sf/unit min. lot size), and R6000 (currently 4,500 sf/unit min. lot size). Also being considered is a reduction in the minimum lot width for townhomes in these three zones from the current minimum lot width of 29 feet for attached units to a new minimum lot width of 20 feet.

Members of the public are invited to attend the hearings. All interested persons may provide oral or written comments or testimony at the hearing. Written comments should be delivered to Buckley City Hall at 933 Main Street or PO Box 1960, Buckley, WA 98321. Comments may also be emailed to elewis@cityofbuckley.com. The final decision-making body for this update is the Buckley City Council as described in Buckley Municipal Code Title 20. Any person with standing may appeal the final decision.

QUESTIONS: All documents and evidence relied upon by the city, and applicable criteria, are available for examination and inspection, at no cost, in the Buckley Building and Planning Office located in the Buckley Multipurpose Center at 811 Main Street, Buckley, WA 98321, and also via email. Requests for information may be directed to Evan Lewis, Associate Planner and the City's point of contact for these hearings, at 360-761-7819 or elewis@cityofbuckley.com.

Buckley does not discriminate on the basis of disabilities. If you need special accommodation, please contact City Hall within three business days prior to the public hearing at (360) 761-7801.