

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: November 29, 2023

SUBJECT: Text Amendment for an Air Traffic Control Tower at the Bend Municipal Airport

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move approval of Hearings Officer recommendation for file 247-23-000470-TA, approving a Text Amendment to Deschutes County Code Chapter 18.76, Airport Development Zone, and Chapter 18.80, Airport Safety Combining Zone.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Staff will provide background to the Board for consideration of a request for a Text Amendment (file no. 247-23-000470-TA) to the Airport Development Zone and Airport Safety Combining Zone. The proposed amendments would add an air traffic control tower as a use permitted outright in the Airport Development Zone, and allow an air traffic control tower to be up to 115 feet in height. The Airport Development Zone only applies to the Bend Municipal Airport, which is located to the northeast of Bend.

A public hearing on the Text Amendment application was held before the Deschutes County Hearings Officer on October 2, 2023. A Hearings Officer recommendation was mailed on November 21, 2023, and the Hearings Officer recommended approval of the subject application.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

None

ATTENDANCE:

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