



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: December 13, 2023

SUBJECT: First reading of Ordinance No. 2023-027 – Bend Airport Text Amendment

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move approval of first reading of Ordinance No. 2023-027 by title only.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The City of Bend applied for a text amendment to Title 18 of Deschutes County Code. The proposed amendments to Chapter 18.76, Airport Development Zone, and Chapter 18.80, Airport Safety Combining Zone, would allow an air traffic control tower as a new permitted use 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 was held before the Deschutes County Hearings Officer on October 2, 2023 and the Hearings Officer's recommendation was mailed on November 21, 2023. The Hearings Officer found the proposal complied with all applicable criteria and recommended approval. At a work session on November 29, 2023, the Board voted to adopt the Hearings Officer's recommendation.

The entirety of the record can be viewed from the project website at:

<https://www.deschutes.org/cd/page/247-23-000470-ta-%E2%80%93-air-traffic-control-tower-text-amendment>

BUDGET IMPACTS:

None

ATTENDANCE:

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