

CITY OF MERIDIAN ORDINANCE NO. 20-1896

BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

**BERNT, BORTON, CAVENER,
HOAGLUN, PERREALT, STRADER**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MERIDIAN CITY CODE AS CODIFIED AT TITLE 11, PERTAINING TO SPECIFIC USE STANDARDS IN CHAPTER 4; PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS IN CHAPTER 5; AND SUBDIVISION DESIGN AND IMPROVEMENT STANDARDS IN CHAPTER 6; AND PROVIDING FOR A WAIVER OF THE READING RULES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Unified Development Code is the official zoning ordinance for the City of Meridian and provides an opportunity to better support the Comprehensive Plan and provide a tool that is relevant and contemporary to the needs of the City; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Meridian deems it to be in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of its citizens to incorporate changes to the Unified Development Code within the City of Meridian.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERIDIAN, IDAHO:

Section 1. That Meridian City Code 11-4-3-38, Unified Development Code, be amended as follows:

11-4-3-38: Vehicle Sales or Rental and Service:

Section 2. That Meridian City Code Section 11-5A-6C, Unified Development Code, be amended as follows:

C. Neighborhood Meetings:

1. Applicants for applications requiring a public hearing are required to hold a neighborhood meeting to provide an opportunity for public review of the proposed project prior to the submittal of an application, except a neighborhood meeting is not required for city council review, a vacation, and/or short plat.
2. Notice of the neighborhood meeting shall be provided to all property owners of record within ~~three hundred~~ five hundred feet (500') of the exterior boundary of the application property. Notice of the meeting shall be either hand delivered or mailed to the recipients.
3. Notice of the meeting shall be provided at least five (5) days prior to the meeting. The meeting shall be held not more than three (3) months or less than ~~five~~ ten (10) days prior to the submittal of an application.
4. Neighborhood meetings shall be held Monday through Thursday (excluding holidays), and start between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.
5. Location of the meeting must be within five (5) miles of the project site or at Meridian city hall.

Section 3. That Meridian City Code Section 11-5A-6D2a, Unified Development Code, be amended as follows:

- a. Conditional use permit applications for daycare, group; city council review of accessory uses in residential districts; and annexation, preliminary plat, variance, rezone, and comprehensive plan amendment applications for properties of land less than ~~three (3)~~ two (2) acres in size: The applicant shall post a sign consisting of ~~one 11-inch by 17-inch~~ one (1) 18-inch by 24-inch piece of paper mounted to a rigid surface of at least equal size, or other material stating the name of the applicant, a statement concerning the proposed development, and the date, time and location of the public hearing.

Section 4. That Meridian City Code Section 11-5A-6E, Unified Development Code, be amended as follows:

E. Mailing And Publishing Of The Public Hearing Notice:

1. Legal Notice: At least fifteen (15) days prior to the public hearing, the city shall publish a notice of the time and place and a summary of the application in the official newspaper of general circulation in Ada County.
2. Radius Notice:
 - a. Time Of Notice: At least fifteen (15) days prior to the public hearing, the city shall send a notice by first class mail of the time and place, and a summary of the application to property owners or purchasers of record (as listed in the current records of the Ada County assessor) owning property within ~~three hundred~~ five hundred feet (~~3500'~~) of the property being considered.
 - b. Notice Extended: The noticing shall be extended to property owners within one thousand feet (1,000') of the external property boundaries for heavy industries and wireless communication facilities.
 - c. Notice To Properties Farther From External Boundaries: The director may determine, or other applications provided for in this title may require, that notices be sent to property owners or purchasers of record whose properties are farther ~~than three hundred feet (300') or one thousand feet (1,000')~~ from the external boundaries of the property than those listed herein.

Section 5. That Meridian City Code Section 11-6C-3B4, Unified Development Code, be amended as follows:

B. Streets:

4. ~~Cul-De-Sacs~~: Dead End Streets:

- a. No streets or series of streets that ends in a cul-de-sac or a dead end shall be longer than five hundred feet (500') except as allowed in subsection b of this section.
- b. The City Council may approve a dead end street up to seven hundred fifty feet (750') in length where an emergency access is proposed; or where there is a physical barrier such as a steep slope, railroad tracks, an arterial roadway, or a large waterway that prevents or makes impractical extension; and where a pedestrian connection is provided from the street to an adjacent existing or planned pedestrian facility.

- c. Cul-de-sac streets may serve a maximum of thirty (30) dwelling units.
- d. The length of a cul-de-sac street shall be measured from the near edge of the right of way to the center of the turnaround.

Section 6. That all other provisions of Title 11 as they relate to the Unified Development Code remain unchanged.

Section 7. That this ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Meridian, Idaho, this _____ day of September, 2020.

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Meridian, Idaho, this _____ day of September, 2020.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Robert E. Simison, Mayor

Chris Johnson, City Clerk