

Ordinance 2025-17 Findings

Goal 1: Citizen Involvement

This goal calls for "the opportunity for citizens to be involved in all phases of the planning process."

Findings: The City held public hearings before both the Planning Commission and City Council to afford the public the opportunity to be involved. Notice of the two hearings was published in the Sandy Post, posted on the City's website, and on the City Facebook account. Notice was provided to the Department of Land Conservation and Development on May 21, 2025.

Conclusion: Goal 1 Public Involvement requirements are met.

Goal 2: Land Use

This goal requires each local government in Oregon to have and follow a comprehensive land use plan and implementing regulations. Cities and counties must build their comprehensive plans on a factual base and follow their plan when making decisions on appropriate zoning.

Findings: The proposed alternative wastewater systems code amendments show that the City is continuing to seek alternative actions during the sanitary sewer moratoria. Allowing alternative wastewater systems for limited types of development validates the City's decision making to mitigate the negative impact on the City's economic goals, while providing continued support to the development community and business owners.

Conclusion: Goal 2 Land Use requirements are met.

Goal 9: Economic Development

This goal requires cities to provide adequate opportunities for a variety of economic activities vital to the health, welfare, and prosperity of their citizens. Cities comply with Goal 9 through analysis of economic development needs and inventories of related land supplies.

Findings: The proposed alternative wastewater systems ordinance will assist with economic development growth which is critical to meet future economic development needs as outlined in the 2024 Economic Opportunities Analysis (EOA). The proposed code amendments provide the development community and business owners with an approval process for limited types of development that would otherwise not be possible during the sanitary sewer moratoria.

Conclusion: Goal 9 Economic development requirements are met.

Goal 11: Public Facilities

This goal is to establish policies to plan and develop a timely, orderly, and efficient arrangement of public facilities and services to serve as a framework for urban and rural development.

Findings: The City’s comprehensive plan contains an acknowledged Goal 11 element that contains policies to ensure sufficient and adequate public services are available (or will be available as appropriate) to serve lands within the UGB. This alternative wastewater systems option during the moratorium is a means of enabling certain limited types of development to occur without impacting the City’s sanitary sewer system. Therefore, this ordinance will not be in violation of the moratorium and will not place any additional burdens on the sanitary sewer treatment system than what is already anticipated.

Conclusion: *Goal 11 Public Facilities requirements are met.*

Goal 12: Transportation

This goal is to establish policies to provide and encourage a safe, convenient, and economic transportation system.

Findings: The City’s Comprehensive Plan with respect to Goal 12, its transportation system plan, and its standards governing transportation and transportation-related facilities are not affected by this decision. The City’s comprehensive plan contains an acknowledged Goal 12 element that contains policies to ensure sufficient and adequate transportation facilities and services are available (or will be available as appropriate) to serve lands within the UGB. This alternative wastewater systems ordinance would enable some industrial and commercial land to be developed, thus prompting frontage improvements, including additional sidewalks in Sandy.

Conclusion: *Goal 12 Transportation requirements are met.*