



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Title: 2nd Reading for Zone Map Amendment ZMA23-04, Ordinance Bill No. 2 for 2024, Ordinance No. 1325

Preferred Agenda: December 12, 2023

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Reviewed By: B. Larsen, CED Director

Type of Action: Resolution ____ Motion X Roll Call ____ Other ____

Relevant Code/Policy: SHMC 2.04.030 Powers of the City Council

Towards Council Goal: Vision Statement, Aspiration I: Desirable Community

Attachments: Ordinance No. 2 for 2024, with Exhibit A

Purpose of this RCA:

The purpose of this RCA is to conduct the 2nd reading of Ordinance Bill No. 2 for 2024, Ordinance No. 1325 for Zone Map Amendment Application ZMA23-03.

Background/Context:

The applicant is proposing to change the Zoning Map in an area consisting of approximately 88,577 square feet (2.02 acres) located in Sweet Home, OR 97386 (13S01E32AC Tax Lot 4900). The Sweet Home Zoning Map is proposed to change from the Residential Low Density (R-1) Zone to the Residential High Density (R-3) Zone. The proposed zone change would bring the zoning designation into conformity with the property's existing Comprehensive Plan Map designation.

The Sweet Home Planning Commission held a public hearing on November 16, 2023 to review ZMA23-03 and receive testimony. At that meeting, the Planning Commission approved the application and recommended that the City Council approve it. The Sweet Home Municipal Code requires the City Council to hold a public hearing and decide on this application.

The City Council held a public hearing on December 12, 2023 to review ZMA23-03 and hear testimony. The Councilors did not make a motion at the December 12th meeting. The City Council held a second public hearing on January 23, 2024, approved the application, and performed the 1st reading of Ordinance Bill No. 2 for 2024.

The Sweet Home Comprehensive Plan guides official policy decisions about development within the area. The Plan aims to organize and coordinate complex interrelationships between people, land, resources, and facilities to meet the future needs of the citizens and to protect the

livability of the community. The Plan also reflects the public's goals and aspirations for Sweet Home about the best way to handle development and conservation in the City. The officially acknowledged Comprehensive Plan gives policy direction for land use decisions and coordinates private and public development. [Chapter 1, Page 1 of the Comprehensive Plan].

The Sweet Home Municipal Code provides criteria for map amendments such as this:

- A. The proposed amendment is consistent with the goals and policies of the comprehensive plan;
- B. The proposed amendment is orderly and timely, considering the pattern of development in the area, surrounding land uses, and any changes which may have occurred in the neighborhood or community to warrant the proposed amendment;
- C. Utilities and services can be efficiently provided to serve the proposed uses or other potential uses in the proposed zoning district; and
- D. The proposed amendment to the comprehensive plan map is consistent with Oregon's statewide planning goals

The Challenge/Problem:

Should the zoning map be changed from the current Residential Low Density (R-1) designation to Residential High Density (R-3), in accordance with the Comprehensive Plan Map designation for the property? Should the Comprehensive Plan designations be followed if the proposed amendment is consistent with the goals and policies of the comprehensive plan?

Stakeholders:

- The Owner/Developer: Changing the zoning to conform with the Comprehensive Plan would allow the owner to benefit from the higher density permitted in the R-3 zone.
- Sweet Home Residents: Residents benefit from thoughtful development made in accordance with properly adopted planning documents.
- Sweet Home City Council: The Council is responsible for final approval of zone map amendments and ordinances.

Issues and Financial Impacts:

There are no issues or financial impacts currently identified.

Elements of a Stable Solution:

A stable solution is one in which a decision on the application is made that conforms with City Code and State Law.

Options:

- Conduct the second reading of Ordinance Bill No. 2 for 2024, Ordinance No. 1325.