

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE POLK COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE: The Polk County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing concerning potential text amendments to Polk County Zoning Ordinance (PCZO) Chapters 136 and 177, which pertain to the Exclusive Farm Use (EFU) and Timber Conservation (TC) Zoning Districts respectively. The proposed text amendments are intended to bring PCZO Chapters 136 and 177 into compliance with State law, and to consider adopting optional changes for uses that could be permitted within the EFU and TC zones.

FILE NUMBER: LA 23-03

DATE AND TIME OF PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING: March 13, 2024 at 9:00 AM

LOCATION OF MEETING: First Floor Hearing/Conference Rm., Polk County Courthouse, 850 Main Street, Dallas, Oregon 97338

APPLICABLE REVIEW AND DECISION CRITERIA: Polk County Zoning Ordinance Sections 111.215 (C), 115.040 and 115.060.

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The location of the hearing is handicapped accessible. Please advise the Community Development Department at (503) 623-9237 if you will need any special accommodations to attend or participate in this meeting. The applicable criteria and files are available for inspection at no cost and copies may be obtained at a reasonable cost. A copy of the staff report will be available for inspection at least seven days prior to the hearing.

The Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing to consider the Planning Commission's recommendation, receive testimony, and make a final local decision on this matter. Any person desiring to speak for or against these proposals may do so either in person or by representative at the public hearing. Written comments may be directed to the Planning Division of the Polk County Community Development Department, 850 Main Street, Polk County Courthouse, Dallas, Oregon 97338-1922. Written testimony may be submitted prior to the hearing at the Polk County Planning Division. Please include a reference to file number LA 23-03 in all correspondence. Oral and or written testimony may be rendered at the public hearing.

Written comments received by 5:00 PM on March 1, 2024 will be included in the staff report to the Board of Commissioners. Comments received after this time, but prior to the hearing, will be provided to the Board of Commissioners at the hearing.

Failure of an issue to be raised in person or by letter, or failure to provide sufficient specificity to afford the decision maker an opportunity to respond to the issue, precludes an appeal to the Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA) based on that issue. A decision may be appealed to LUBA within 21 days after the mailing of the decision. Contact LUBA or the Polk County Planning Division for LUBA appeal procedures.