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City AOI comment

1 message

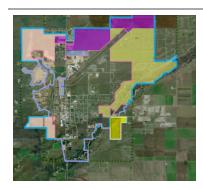
Chris Appelhans <cappelhans@gmail.com>
To: PublicHearingComments@driggsidaho.org

Tue, Apr 9, 2024 at 6:24 PM

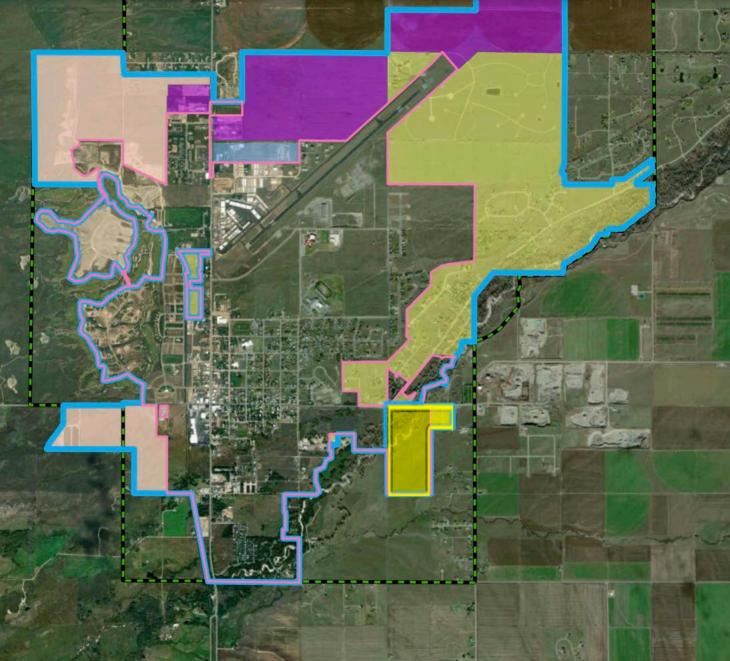
To committee/council-

I would recommend excluding the parcel(s) outlined in yellow from the AOI. This Sagebrush step south east of the creek is in the big game migration corridor and connects several hundred acres of conservation easement property. Given the stated goals of using Teton Creek as a threshold for city/rural, the county zoning density (R-5 or R-30?) seems more appropriate for this parcel than the AOI zoning. (R-2.5)

Thanks for your consideration, Chris Appelhans



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Gratitude for Your Dedication to Crafting the Proposed Code

1 message

Evan Howard <evanhowardx@gmail.com>

Thu, Mar 14, 2024 at 12:23 PM

To: lbernstein@driggsidaho.org, Jade Krueger <jkrueger@tetoncountyidaho.gov>

Jade & Leanne,

I wanted to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to both of you for the incredible effort you've dedicated to crafting the new draft of the proposed code. Your hard work has not gone unnoticed, and it means a great deal to me and my family.

Returning to the valley after years away has been a dream come true for us. The prospect of raising our young children here has always been our aspiration, but the soaring home prices kept us at bay. However, upon discovering our one-acre lot and learning that we could build an ADU to help offset the costs, we seized the opportunity. We sold our home in Utah, purchased the lot, and relocated our family here. It was a leap of faith based on the assurances we received regarding ADU allowances from the city and county.

Unfortunately, we've been in a state of uncertainty for some time now due to the perplexing and contradictory codes, receiving conflicting responses regarding ADUs from local authorities. Throughout this ordeal, we've poured our resources into architectural plans and an expensive rental, all while holding onto the hope of making our dream of living in the valley a reality. Our desire to provide our children with abundant outdoor activities and to establish thriving businesses in this community has been unwavering. This valley is where we envision raising our family and retiring.

I genuinely believe that adopting the county code for the Area of Impact (AOI) is a sensible decision. The current code has left me feeling caught in the middle, grappling with its inconsistencies and confusion. I am particularly pleased to see that the proposed code allows for detached 900sqft ADUs on properties of 2.5 acres or less (section 3.9.3), as well as attached 1500sqft ADUs on any sized lot (section 3.9.2). These proposed regulations strike me as fair and equitable, aligning with the allowances made by both the county and city in other areas. It seems only fitting that homeowners in the AOI should have the same opportunities.

Thank you both immensely for your dedication and commitment to this matter. Lastly, I sought clarification on the proposed code during the meeting on the 13th, but unfortunately did not receive a direct answer. However, it is my interpretation that the commissioners' motion to move the proposed code forward indicates that ADUs will indeed be allowed on one-acre lots.

Warmest regards,

Evan Howard

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Area of Impact Open House

1 message

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Tue, Mar 19, 2024 at 5:56 PM

Hello!

I know we are over a month past the open house for the area of impact open house, so maybe this is a mute point by now. BUT just in case it's not too late... we live on Aspen Meadows Road in the Driggs Area of Impact and as homeowners and community members, we would prefer to be in Driggs City proper. It seems that we are surrounded by Driggs City so it would make perfect sense for our neighborhood to be annexed into the City.

We wanted to voice our support for this move in case it is something you are considering. Let us know if there is more we can/should do to have an impact on these developments.

Thank you so much!
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