



MEDFORD PLANNING

Date of Notice: October 1, 2020

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - PLANNING COMMISSION

Hearing Date: Thursday – October 22, 2020
Hearing Time: 5:30 pm
Hearing Location: Medford City Council Chambers
City Hall, 411 W. 8th Street

This notice is to inform you of an upcoming opportunity to participate in a public hearing before the Medford Planning Commission.

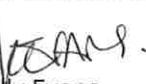
What is being considered? A legislative amendment to adopt an Urbanization Plan into the Neighborhood Element of the Comprehensive Plan for approximately 211 acres of property located north of Barnett Road and south of Cherry Lane within a portion of Planning Unit MD-5b (371W26 TL 103, 104, 105, and 300).

How do I obtain additional information? You may visit the Planning Department on the second floor of the Lausmann Annex, 200 S. Ivy Street between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays, to review the application, all documents and evidence submitted, and the criteria relating to this proposal. The agenda and the staff report for this project will be available seven (7) days prior to the public hearing, and can also be viewed on the City web site (www.ci.medford.or.us). Copies may be obtained at the Planning Department at minimal cost. **A hearing and final decision will be conducted by the City Council at a later date.**

Who do I contact? Questions can be directed to the contact listed above at 541-774-2380, or by visiting the Planning Department in person.

What happens at a Public Hearing? At the public hearing, the Chair will open the hearing and invite all interested parties to direct their testimony and evidence toward the regulations found in the *Medford Land Development Code*, specifically the criteria that apply to this project. The applicable criteria are included with this notice. You are invited to speak at the hearing stating why you favor or oppose this proposal. You may also write a letter to the Commission prior to the hearing that can be submitted as a part of the public record. You must testify in either manner to have standing; standing gives you the legal ability to appeal a decision that is made by the City Council on this project. Oregon Revised Statutes state that failure to raise an issue in a hearing, either in person or by letter, or failure to provide statements or evidence sufficient to afford the Commission or City Council an opportunity to respond to the issue precludes appeal to the Land Use Board of Appeals based on that issue.

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Urbanization Plan Approval Criteria
Sections 5 and 6 of the Urbanization Planning Chapter in the Neighborhood Element

In order to adopt an urbanization plan, the [Planning Commission shall recommend] and City Council shall be satisfied that the plan substantially conforms to the performance measures outlined in the Regional Plan Element and the submitted plan adequately demonstrates each of the following:

Section 5 - PLAN CONTENTS

5.1 RPS Density Requirements: Compliance with the Regional Element minimum gross density performance measures. The urbanization plan shall include specific zoning designations or text that assures development under the minimum densities will meet or exceed the density expected to be achieved for the planning unit(s) in the UGB Amendment residential land supply analysis. Plan techniques that can be employed to achieve this standard include but are not limited to the following:

5.1.1 Specify residential zoning districts for certain areas.

5.1.2 Commit to specific quantities of residential development in commercial areas.

The findings supporting the urbanization plan submittal shall include density calculations that explain how the plan complies.

5.2 Transportation Planning: A neighborhood circulation plan map showing:

5.2.1 Locations of higher-order streets. Locations and alignments of higher order streets should be planned in appropriate locations.

The plan will depict how local streets, alleys and paths could be arranged to comply with the City's applicable street connectivity requirements. Typically, a well-connected street grid is desirable both for efficient utilization of urban land and to serve the transportation needs of all modes.

The urbanization plan may seek approval for local street arrangements with less connectivity (fewer intersections, longer block lengths, more dead-ends, greater potential out-of-direction travel) that is otherwise allowed by the code. Such arrangements may be justified on the basis of topographical and other environmental or development constraints, access management requirements, and/or the particular needs of adjacent land uses and those of the surrounding vicinity.

Proposed networks with lower vehicular connectivity may also include mitigation measures including enhanced pedestrian and other active transportation facilities. An example of an active transportation facility may include off-road multi-use paths.

Maps depicting street functional classifications shall utilize a system that is the same as or readily convertible to the City's adopted Transportation System Plan.

5.3 Compliance with the open space allocation for an urban reserve area. Units that contain only Industrial GLUP designations are exempt from this requirement. The following classifications count as open space for purposes of fulfilling the RPE requirements:

5.3.1 Parks, both public and private shall be counted as open space. Schools may be counted as open space. Where land acquisition is not complete or where specific open space dedications were not offered and accepted as part of the UGB process, park and school sites may be identified as opportunity areas on maps and the acreage planned may be described in text form that explains how the planning unit can satisfy the open space requirement. Areas where specific open space dedications were offered and accepted as part of the UGB review process shall be depicted and the acreage counted toward open space percentages.

5.3.2 Agricultural buffers. Proposed agricultural buffers within the UGB shall be counted as open space. Interim agricultural buffers shall not be counted toward open space percentages unless an additional legal or planning mechanism is imposed to render such areas as open space even after a future UGB amendment in the applicable MD area.

5.3.3 Riparian corridors shall be counted.

5.3.4 Areas under an "open space" tax assessment shall be counted.

5.3.5 Locally significant wetlands and any associated regulatory buffer shall be counted.

5.3.6 Slopes greater than 25 percent

5.4 Compliance with the requirements of Regional Plan Element, Section 4.1.6, for mixed-use/pedestrian-friendly development and any specific land use performance obligation. Planning units containing only an Industrial GLUP Map designation are exempt from the mixed-use pedestrian friendly development evaluation.

5.5 Preliminary coordination and discussions with public utility providers, including water, sewer, transportation, and irrigation districts.

5.5.1 Coordination may include identifying any existing infrastructure on or adjacent to the site and determining whether it can be maintained or needs to be moved.

5.6 Location or extensions of riparian corridors, wetlands, historic buildings or resources, and habitat protections and the proposed status of these elements.

5.7 Compliance with applicable provisions of the Urban Growth Management Agreement.

5.8 Compliance with the terms of special agreements between the landowners and other public entities that were part of the basis for including an area in the urban growth boundary, as detailed in the Urban Growth Management Agreement.

5.9 Coordination with the Parks and Recreation Department for adherence to the Leisure Service Plan related to open space acquisition and proposed trail and path locations.

5.10 Vicinity map including adjacent planning units and their General Land Use Plan designations.

5.11 Property lines for the subject planning unit and adjacent properties, particularly where new streets are proposed.

5.12 Existing easements of record, irrigation canals, and structures.

5.13 Areas designated as unbuildable per the Urban Growth Boundary City Council Report dated August 18, 2016 (Map A-1), and the status of those areas, including agricultural buffers.

5.14 Contour lines and topography.

5.15 In the interest of maintaining clarity and flexibility for both the City of Medford and for landowners, no urbanization plan may be submitted with or contain the following items, which are only appropriate at the time of development:

5.15.1 Deviations from Municipal Code provisions, including exceptions to Chapter 10. This prohibition does not function to limit specific neighborhood circulation plan requirements hereinabove.

5.15.2 Limitations on development due to facility capacity shortfalls.

5.15.3 Architectural details.

5.15.4 Specifics about building types and building placement.

5.15.5 Access and internal circulation on prospective lots or development sites.

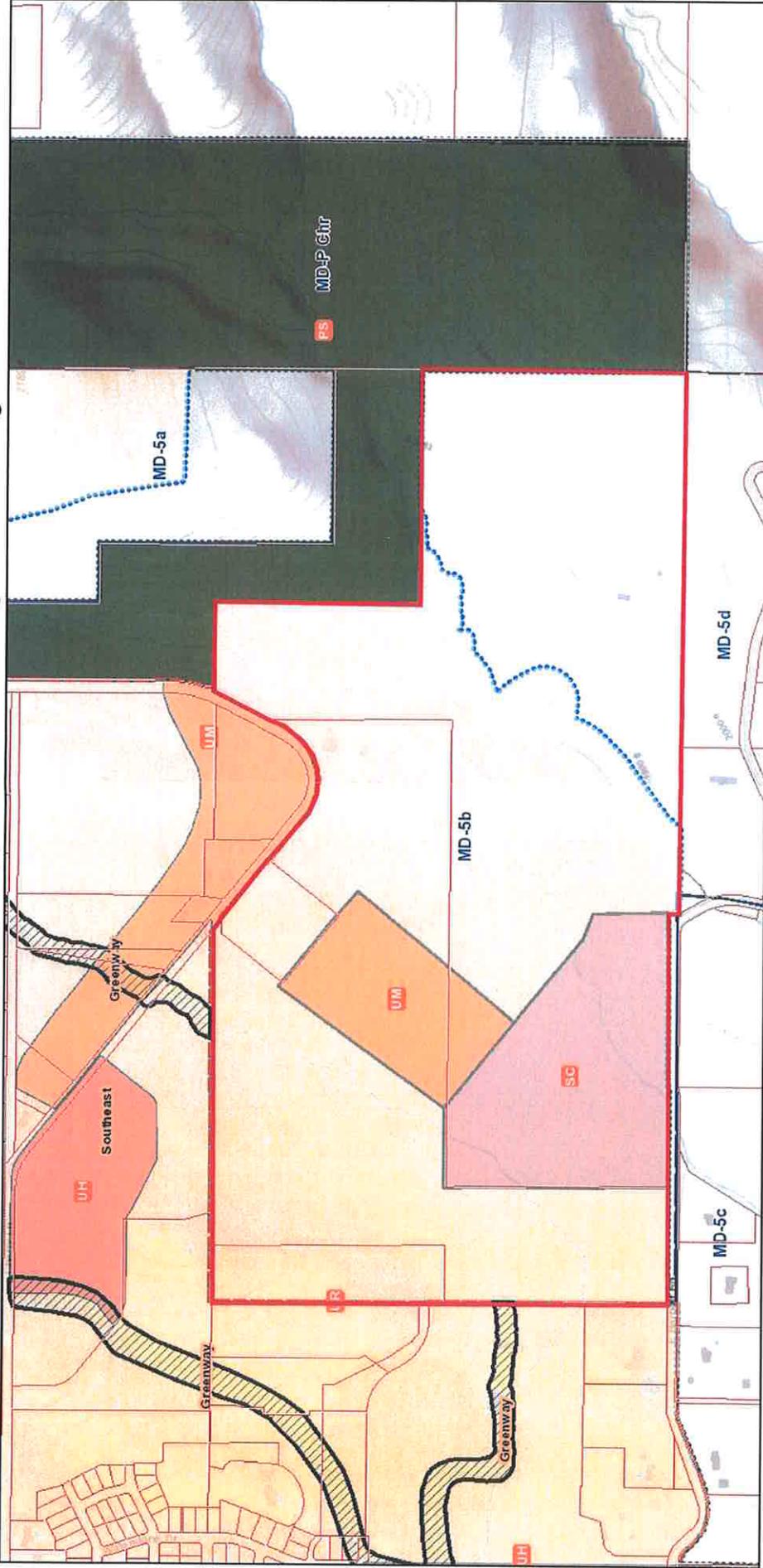
Section 6 - GLUP AMENDMENTS

6.1.1 Minor Spatial Adjustments: If GLUP map amendments are proposed within the planning unit but the total acreage for each GLUP Map designation is not significantly changed, the urbanization plan can be the basis for GLUP amendments without the need for complex land supply analysis.

6.1.2 Moderate Spatial Adjustments: If land supply GLUP map amendments are proposed that change the spatial arrangement of GLUP designations beyond the boundary of a particular planning unit but maintain the total acreage for each GLUP Map designation within the applicable MD area that is now inside the UGB, then the urbanization plan shall be accompanied by a mapping analysis that explains how the total land use allocations are maintained by GLUP. Spatial exchanges of land use designations such as this shall be coordinated with other planning units in the MD and an analysis urban land use value equity shall be provided.

6.1.3 Complex Spatial Adjustments: More complex GLUP Map amendments that have the potential to alter the land supplies in more fundamental ways will typically require extensive city-wide and/or regional plan land supply analyses. This analysis shall demonstrate that both the urban land needs described in the City's Housing Element and Economy Element will be served and that the resulting amendment will continue to comply with all applicable provisions of the Regional Plan for the area specifically and the City as a whole.

MD-5b Urbanization Plan Application - Existing GLUP Designations

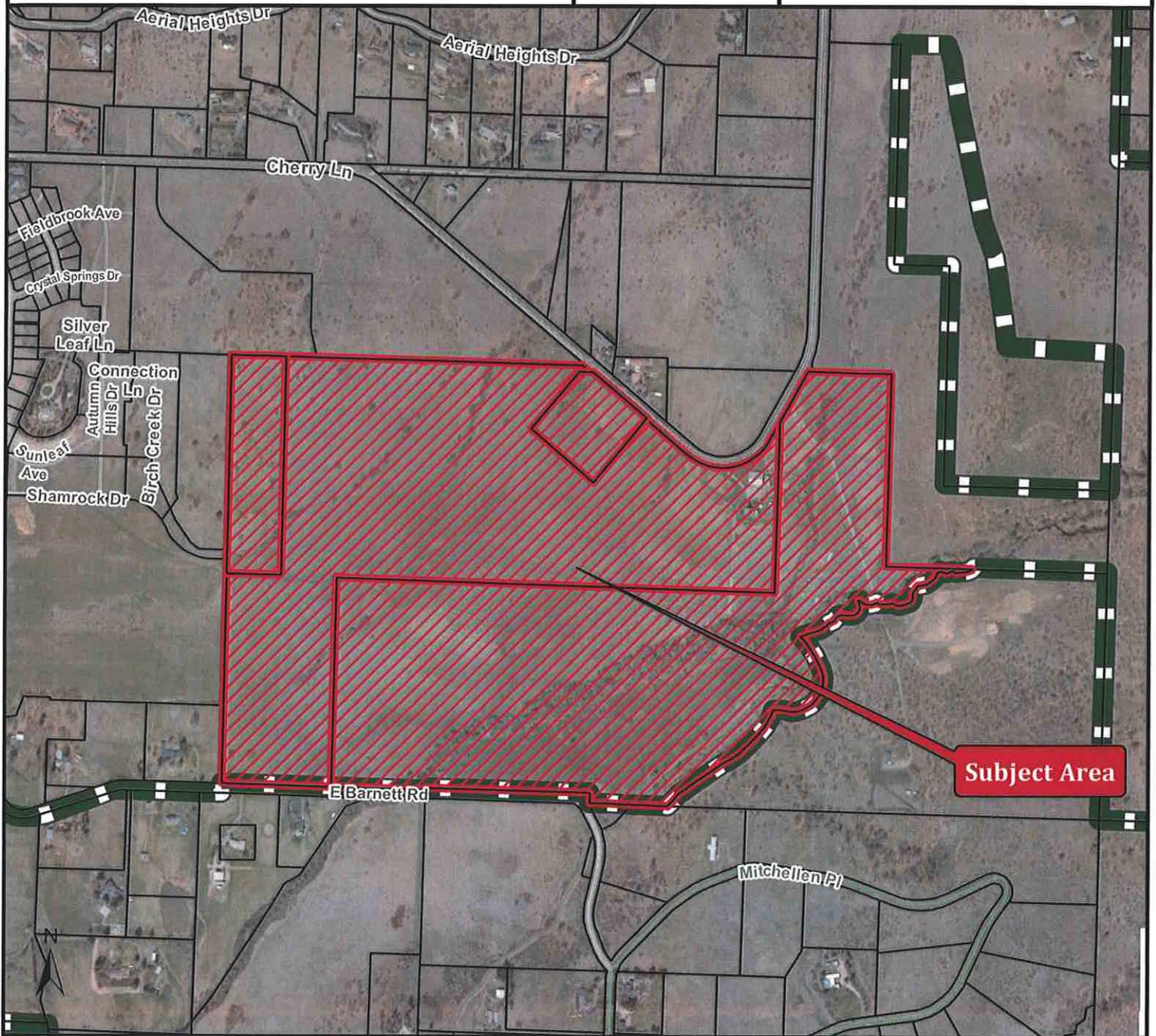


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| Owner Labels | General Land Use - Shaded | HI-HEAVY INDUSTRIAL | UH-URBAN HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL |
| Occupant Labels | A- AIRPORT | LS-LIMITED SERVICE AREA | General Land Use Overlays |
| Taxlots | CC-CITY CENTER | PS-PARKS & SCHOOLS | Greenways |
| Urban Growth Boundary | CM-COMMERCIAL | UR-URBAN RESIDENTIAL | Limited Service Area Overlay |
| Planning Units | SC-SERVICE COMMERCIAL | UM-URBAN MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL | SoutheastPlan Area |
| | GI-GENERAL INDUSTRIAL | | |

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Sources: Esri, HERE, Garmin, Intermap, Increment P Corp., GEBCO, USGS, FAO, NPS, NRCAN, GeoBase, IGN, Kadaster NL, Ordnance Survey, Esri Japan, METI, Esri China (Hong Kong), (c) OpenStreetMap contributors, and the GIS User Community, City of Medford Land Information system



Project Name:

Mahar - MD-5b Urbanization Plan

Map/Taxlot:

371W26 TL 103, 104, 105 & 300



Legend

-  Subject Area
-  Tax Lots

Date: 8/10/2020

