CITY OF CHEYENNE – CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SHEET

DATE OF COUNCIL MEETING: April 27, 2015
TYPE OF DOCUMENT: (X_ORDINANCE) (RESOLUTION) (PRELIMINARY PLAT/
PRELIM PUD ZONE CHANGE) (LEASE/CONTRACT) (CHANGE ORDER/CONTRACT
MODIFICATION) (_CONSIDER BID) (APPLICATIONS/LICENSES/PERMITS)
(APPOINTMENTS) (ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS/MOTIONS) (OTHER)
SPONSORs: (ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION) Annette Williams
EXACT WORDING FOR AGENDA: An ordinance pursuant to Sections 1.1.6 and 2.4.1(b) of the Cheyenne Unified Development Code (UDC), amending the qualifying area for notification mailings for sections 2.1.4, 2.2.1, 2.2.2, 2.2.4, & 2.3.2.
(1% Sales Tax Funding/Years) N/A
(Other Funding) (Grant)
CONTACT PERSON: <u>Logan Graves</u> PHONE: <u>637-6352</u> DEPT: <u>Planning/Development</u>
OTHER CITY DEPARTMENT AFFECTED:
OTHER GOV'T AGENCIES AFFECTED: N/A
FINANCIAL IMPACT PROPOSED OR CONDITIONS WHICH AFFECT CITY: N/A
CONTRACT TERM: N/A STARTING DATE: N/A
YESNON/AIs funding budgeted?()()()()Were Bids called for?()()()()Affected parties notified of Council procedure and dates?()()()Has bond, insurance or other security been arranged?()()()Have legal descriptions been checked?()()()
Agenda Item approved / reviewed by : Risk Mgr () City Attorney () Dept. Head (\underline{X})
General Comments: The City of Cheyenne Planning Commission recommended approval of the above described text amendment by a unanimous vote of 6 to 0 at its meeting on April 20, 2015. See the attached Staff Report for more information.
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Submitted by: <u>Logan Graves</u> Title: <u>Planner</u> Date: <u>April 21, 2015</u>
UPON PASSAGE OF THE AGENDA ITEM, COPIES SHOULD BE SENT TO:
<u>Development Office</u> <u>City Clerk's Office</u>

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ORDINANCE NO. 4069	Date 4/21/15

Answers to

ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 1.1.6 AND 2.4.1(b) OF THE CHEYENNE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE (UDC), AMENDING THE QUALIFYING AREA FOR NOTIFICATION MAILINGS FOR SECTIONS 2.1.4, 2.2.1, 2.2.2, 2.2.4, & 2.3.2."

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF CHEYENNE, WYOMING:

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments to the Cheyenne Unified Development Code (UDC) that are the subject of this ordinance were presented to the City of Cheyenne Planning Commission on April 20, 2015; a motion to approve the amendments that are the subject of this ordinance was made and seconded; and the motion was approved by the Planning Commission on a 6 to 0 vote.

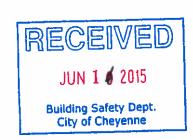
Section 1. That UDC 2.1.4.c.2.b.3., is amended to read: "All owners within 140' 300' of subject property shall be mailed notice indicating the general location of the property, the nature of the application, the location for further information on that application, and the date, time and location of the Planning Commission public hearing. When mailed notice is properly addressed based on the latest property information and deposited in the mail at least 15 days prior to the scheduled hearing, failure of a party to receive such notice will not be grounds to invalidate any action taken."

Section 2. That UDC 2.2.1.c.2.b.3., is amended to read: "All owners within 1402 300" of subject property, excluding rights-of way, shall be mailed notice indicating the general location of the property, the nature of the application, the location for further information on that application, and the date, time and location of the Planning Commission public hearing. When mailed notice is properly addressed based on the latest property information and deposited in the mail at least 15 days prior to the scheduled hearing, failure of a party to receive such notice will not be grounds to invalidate any action taken."

Section 3. That UDC 2.2.2.c.3.b.3., is amended to read: "All owners within 140' 300' of subject property, excluding rights of way, shall be mailed notice indicating the general location of the property, the nature of the application, the location for further information on that application, and the date, time and location of the Planning Commission public hearing. When mailed notice is properly addressed based on the latest property information and deposited in the mail at least 15 days prior to the scheduled hearing, failure of a party to receive such notice will not be grounds to invalidate any action taken."

Section 4. That UDC 2.2.4.c.2.b.3., is amended to read: "All owners within 140' 300' of subject property, excluding rights-of-way, shall be mailed notice indicating the general location of the property, the nature of the application, the location for further information on that application, and the date, time and location of the Board public hearing. When mailed notice is properly addressed based on the latest property information and deposited in the mail at least 15 days prior to the scheduled hearing, failure of a party to receive such notice will not be grounds to invalidate any action taken."

Section 5. That UDC 2.3.2.c.2.b.3., is amended to read: "All owners within 140' 300' of subject property, excluding rights of way, shall be mailed notice indicating the general location of the property, the nature of the application, the location for further information on that application, and the date, time and location of the Board public hearing. When mailed notice is properly addressed based on the latest property information and deposited in the mail at least 15 days prior to the scheduled hearing, failure of a party to receive such notice will not be grounds to invalidate any action taken."



Section 6. Sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance are severable. If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases."

Section 7. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its approval and publication.

FIRST READING:	April 27, 2015
SECOND READING:	May 11, 2015
THIRD AND FINAL . READING:	May 26, 2015)
(SEAL)	Richard L. Kaysen Mayor
ATTEST:	
Carol Intlekofer Carol Intlekofer, City Clerk	

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Article 2 Qualifying Notification Area

UDC TEXT AMENDMENT

CASE NUMBER: PLN-15-00006

PREPARED BY: Logan Graves

MEETING April 20, 2015 – Planning Commission

DATES: April 27, 2015 – City Council

STAFF REPORT UPDATE: At its regular meeting Monday, April 20, 2015, the Cheyenne Planning Commission recommended approval of the above described Text Amendment by a unanimous vote of 6 to 0.

OVERVIEW

The Development Office has received a petition to amend various sections in Article 2 of the Unified Development Code (UDC). The text amendment described herein is a revision of an earlier version that went before Planning Commission March 2, 2015. Specifically the proposal amends the mailed notification radius to three hundred (300) feet for all Article 2 applications requiring mailed notice, with the exception of appeals and annexations.

The proposed ordinance is attached to the staff report (Attachment 1).

PROPOSAL

Land use decisions can have a significant impact on landowners, neighbors, and in some cases the entire community. The purpose of providing notification is to encourage public engagement in land use decisions and provide a transparent process, assuring those affected have an opportunity for full and open discussion.

Public notice requirements related to land use applications are outlined within the Unified Development Code. The requirements include mailed notice prior to the public hearing, published notice, timing of notice, minimum notification area, and the posting of signs on the subject property. The UDC meets all minimum requirements mandated by Wyoming State Statute. Table 1-1 provides a summary of notice requirements:

Table 1-1: Summary of Review Authority										
Application Type	Pre-app	N'hood meeting	Review Body			Notice				
	meeting		Staff	PC	cc	BoA	Pub.	Mail	Post	
Text Amendment			R	R/H	D/H		✓			
Map Amendment ("rezoning")	0		R	R/H	D/H		V	✓	✓	
Subdivision – Administrative Plat	☑		D	Α*					✓	
Subdivision – Preliminary Plat	0		R	R	D		V		V	
Subdivision – Final Plat	0		R	R	D		V		\	
Site Plan Review	0		D			Α			V	
Master Development Plan / Regulating Plan	☑	☑	R	R/H	D		V	✓	V	
Administrative Use Approval	☑		D			Α			V	
Conditional Use Approval	0		R			D/H	V	✓	V	
Temporary Use Approval	☑		D			Α				
Administrative Adjustment	☑		D			Α				
Appeal of Administrative Decision	0					D/H		✓		
Variance	0		R			D/H	✓	✓	✓	
Subdivision Standard Waiver	☑		D	Α	Α					
Annexation	0		R		D		V	✓	✓	
Street Vacation	0		R	R	D		✓	✓	✓	

R = Recommendation

CC = City Council

D = Decision

BoA = Board of Adjustments

A = Appeal

☑ = Required

H = Public Hearing PC = Planning Commission O = Recommended or Optional

* May be appealed as a preliminary plat application to Planning Commission.

Additional notification methods include an online mapping application that is updated and maintained by staff. This application provides detailed information on all current land use applications and can be found on the City's website.

This text amendment would change the qualifying mailed notice area for the following land use applications: Zoning Map Amendments, Master Development Plans, Conditional Use Approvals, Variances, and Street Vacations. Currently, all properties within 140' of the subject property undergoing one of the aforementioned procedures are required to be sent written notification that describes the nature of the proposed development action. This required notice is prepared and sent by the applicant, but is verified by staff. The proposal would change the required notification area from "140 feet, excluding rights of way" to "300 feet". Omitting the language "excluding rights of way" would likely simplify and clarify the process of determining which properties are required to be notified. This in turn would increase consistency and predictability, and would ultimately benefit planning staffs efforts to verify required notice and administer the code.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

Defining the qualifying area for notification mailings is, as this proposal suggests, an important policy decision. Staff is supportive of engaging a broader audience and simplifying the mailed notice procedures by omitting the language "rights of way". A 300' radius is an adequate geographic area to sufficiently apprise those parties affected by a contemplated land use action.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Ordinance of proposed changes