

BEFORE THE GARDEN CITY COUNCIL  
GARDEN CITY, ADA COUNTY, IDAHO

THIS IS NOT A PREDETERMINED DECISION. ALL EVIDENCE WILL BE CONSIDERED. A DIFFERENT DECISION MAY RESULT IN AN UPDATE OF THE FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, OR CONDITIONS

In the Matter of: ) CPAFY2024-0005  
)  
Development Code ) FINDINGS OF FACT,  
Text Amendment ) CONCLUSIONS OF LAW  
Garden City, Ada County, Idaho ) AND DECISION  
\_\_\_\_\_)

THIS MATTER came before the Garden City City Council on consideration on September 9, 2024. The Garden City Council reviewed the application and materials submitted and considered public testimony. Based on the evidence presented, the Garden City Council makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision:

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. The applicant is Garden City.
2. The application is to amend the Garden City code to clarify ambiguities in the administration of the code, remove conflicting provisions, simplify code, and combine and clarify procedures adopted by resolution with those adopted by ordinance.
3. The following section of the Garden City Development Code are amended by this proposal:
  - a. 8-6A-2: Duties and Authority
  - b. 8-6A-2: Table 8-6A-1 Authorities And Processes
  - c. 8-6A-3 General Application Process
  - d. 8-6A-4 Required Application Information
  - e. 8-6A-5 Administrative Process with Notice
  - f. 8-6A-7, Table 8-6A-3 Public Noticing Requirements
4. The applicant provided the following application information:

<b>Materials Provided Per GCC Table 8-6A-2 Required Application Information</b>		
Provided		
Yes	No	NA

X <sup>1</sup>		Compliance Statement
----------------	--	----------------------

5. The following application information was provided in addition to the materials required by GCC Table 8-6A-2:
  - a. Proposed ordinance language
6. The application was considered complete, and hearing dates were set on June 20, 2024, in accordance with GCC 8-6A-3.
7. The following noticing was completed in accordance with GCC 8-6A-7<sup>2</sup>:

Noticing Requirement	Required Date	Completion Date
Neighborhood Meeting	Not more than 3 months or less than 1 day prior to the submittal of the application between 5:30pm and 8:00pm.	7/11/2024
Legal Notice	At least 15 days prior to the hearing	6/22/2024
Agency Notice	At least 15 days prior to the hearing	7/31/2024
Public Service Announcement	At least 15 days prior to the hearing	6/20/2024

- a. As part of the alternative posting allowance, notice was posted at the Garden City Hall, Garden City Police Department, Garden City Library, and Garden City Fred Meyer, and Garden City social media.
  - b. As part of the alternative posting allowance, a legal notice of 2"X4" was provided.
8. Additional noticing was provided:
  - a. On the Garden City Facebook page
  - b. On the Garden City Next Door page
  - c. On the Garden City website
9. The agendas were posted in the Garden City lobby and on the Garden City website in accordance with Idaho Code 74-204.
10. Agency Comments were received from:

<sup>1</sup> The compliance statement is included in the staff report.

<sup>2</sup> The noticing was conducted for all hearings and the dates correspond to the first hearing date.

- a. No agency comments were received.
11. Written Public Comments were received from:
  - a. No public comments were received.
12. On August 21, 2024, a public hearing before the Planning and Zoning Commission was held:
  - a. Chairman Montoya introduced the application.
  - b. Staff Jenah Thornborrow presented the staff report.
  - c. Public testimony was heard from Jason Jones.
  - d. Jenah Thornborrow provided a rebuttal.
  - e. The public hearing was closed.
  - f. Discussion included:
    1. The proposed changes are objective and clear.
  - g. Commissioner Wilde moved to approve the application.
  - h. Commissioner Sheperd seconded the motion.
  - i. The motion passed unanimously.
13. On September 9, 2024, a public hearing before the City Council was held:
  - a. To be completed to reflect the proceedings.
14. The City Council read the ordinance by title only on September 9, 2024.
15. The City Council read the ordinance by title only for the second time on September 23, 2024.
16. The City Council read the ordinance by title only for the third time on October 14, 2024 and adopted the ordinance.
17. The record contains:
  - a. Application and application materials
  - b. Noticing Documents
  - c. Agency Comments
  - d. Public Comments
  - e. Staff Report
  - f. Planning and Zoning Commission Recommendation
  - g. 08/21/2024, Planning and Zoning Commission Minutes and audio
  - h. Signed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendation
  - i. Ordinance 1051-24
18. In consideration of a development code amendment the following findings are required:

**The draft findings are written based on the recommendations from the Planning and Zoning Commission. The City Council will review all evidence,**

and the draft findings may be updated based on their review and consideration.

**GCC 8-6B-5 DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENT: REQUIRED FINDINGS**

Conclusion			Standard
Compliant	Not Compliant	Not Applicable to this Application	
		X	<p><b>Finding 1: The text amendment complies with the applicable provisions of the comprehensive plan.</b></p> <p><b>Reasoned Statement Explanation:</b></p> <p>This amendment is neither in compliance nor in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan. The amendment will not materially change provisions regarding property regulations. The amendment is to clarify existing standards and to simplify the required administrative provisions as required by Idaho Statute 67-65, the Local Land Use Planning Act.</p>
X			<p><b>Finding 2: The text amendment shall not be materially detrimental to the public health, safety, and welfare;</b></p> <p><b>Explanation:</b></p> <p><b>Statement of compliance:</b></p> <p>This proposal will not unreasonably diminish the health, safety, or welfare of the community as defined in the purpose of the Local Land Use Planning Act, Idaho Code 67-6502. Rather the amendment will facilitate clear administrative procedures to enhance the applicant and public's ability to understand the processes.</p>
X			<p><b>Finding 3: The text amendment shall not result in an adverse impact upon the delivery of services by any political subdivision providing public services within the city;</b></p>

