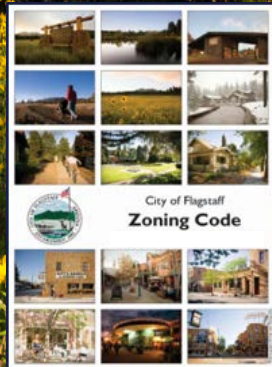


Zoning Code Amendment Division 10-40.60.230 Meeting Facilities

PZ-23-00135

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Meeting Facilities – Neighborhood & Regional

City's Proposed Zoning Code Text Amendment

Overview of Proposed Amendment:

Modifications to Section 10-40.60.230 Specific to Uses: Meeting Facilities Public and Private to clarify the differences between Neighborhood and Regional scale facilities and provide for commercial event venues such as convention centers.

- Neighborhood Meeting Facilities are intended to provide local services directly to the residents of the surrounding neighborhoods. These facilities are permitted in all residential zones, and they do not include commercial event venues.
- Regional Meeting Facilities are intended to serve the entire City and, potentially, the surrounding region. These facilities are permitted in the commercial zones, and they include commercial event venues.



Meeting Facilities – Neighborhood & Regional

City's Proposed Zoning Code Text Amendment

Overview of Proposed Amendment:

In addition, the Meeting Facilities, Public and Private definition is replaced with two new definitions as follows:

- Meeting Facilities, Neighborhood: A facility for public or private meetings, recreation, or social activity not operated for profit, including community centers, civic and private auditoriums, lodges or fraternal associations, union halls, meeting halls for clubs and other membership organization; and similar activities. May include community, cultural, and educational uses that provide local services directly to the residents of the neighborhood.
- Meeting Facilities, Regional: A facility owned and operated by a public or private entity intended primarily for the conducting of organized assembly including trade shows, civic events, charitable events, conferences, conventions, seminars, receptions, meetings, parties, with or without the provision of food or live music and entertainment. Events are typically held by an individual, entity, or organization on an advance registration basis.



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Staff Recommendation

Findings for Zoning Code Text Amendments:

- (1) The proposed amendment is consistent with and conforms to the objectives and policies of the General Plan and any applicable specific plan;**
- (2) The proposed amendment will not be detrimental to the public interest, health, safety, convenience or welfare of the City; and**
- (3) The proposed amendment is internally consistent with other applicable provisions of this Zoning Code.**



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The proposed amendment is consistent with and conforms to the objectives and policies of the General Plan and any applicable specific plan.

The following policies form the Flagstaff Regional Plan and provide support for the proposed amendment:

- NH.1.1. Preserve and enhance existing neighborhoods.
- ED.3.2. Strengthen the arts, culture, and education sectors as important economic drivers in the community.

These policies support the protection of neighborhoods which includes setting limitations on commercial type services in residential zones. Additionally, there are goals that support regional meeting facilities for economic development purposes within Flagstaff.



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The proposed amendment will not be detrimental to the public interest, health, safety, convenience or welfare of the City.

- The amendment provisions are not anticipated to be detrimental to the public interest, health, safety, convenience, or welfare of the City. The proposed provisions are intended to provide a clear distinction between meeting facilities permitted in residential zones (neighborhood) and those permitted in commercial zones (regional) to reduce potential conflicts and provide more opportunity for commercial meeting facilities.



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The proposed amendment is internally consistent with other applicable provisions of this Zoning Code.

- The amendment is internally consistent, utilizes the existing format, and does not conflict with other Zoning Code provisions. It maintains the Zoning Code's purpose as a comprehensive contemporary set of land uses and requirements that are straightforward, usable, and easily understood.



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Recommendation

Staff recommends the Planning and Zoning Commission, in accordance with the findings presented in this report, make a recommendation to the City Council for approval of Zoning Code Text Amendment PZ-23-00135 - Meeting Facilities, Neighborhood and Regional.



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Questions, Comments, and Suggestions

