

Staff Report to the Ogden Valley Planning Commission

Weber County Planning Division

Synopsis

Application Information

Application Request: Consideration and recommendation on a proposal to amend the Weber County Land Use

Code to provide for the nonconforming designation of lots made smaller by right-of-way

expansions, and to provide administrative clarifications related to those sections.

Agenda Date: Tuesday, February 24, 2015
Staff Report Date: Thursday, February 12, 2015

Applicant: Planning Division File Number: ZTA 2014-05

Property Information

Approximate Address: Not Applicable Project Area: Not Applicable Zoning: Not Applicable Existing Land Use: Not Applicable Proposed Land Use: Not Applicable Parcel ID: Not Applicable Township, Range, Section: Not Applicable

Adjacent Land Use

North:Not ApplicableSouth:Not ApplicableEast:Not ApplicableWest:Not Applicable

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Applicable Ordinances

- Weber County Land Use Code Title 101 (General Provisions) Section 7 (Definitions)
- Weber County Land Use Code Title 108 (Standards) Chapter 12 (Noncomplying Structures and Nonconforming Uses/Parcels)

Legislative Decisions

When the Planning Commission is acting as a recommending body to the County Commission, it is acting in a legislative capacity and has wide discretion. Examples of legislative actions are general plan, zoning map, and land use code amendments. With legislative actions it is required that the Planning Commission give a recommendation to the County Commission. Typically, the criterion for providing a recommendation on a legislative matter suggests a review for compatibility with the general plan and existing ordinances.

Background

The Engineering Department is currently working with the public along 3500 West and 12th Street to initiate a public right of way expansion of both roads. The expansions will take the front portions of the parcels that front these streets. The amount taken depends on a myriad of factors, such as the current right of way width, necessary road appurtenances, and proximity to intersections of streets and canals. A special ordinance is necessary that allows lots made noncompliant to current zoning standards to be considered a legal, nonconforming status. This will help clarify in the law that the current occupancy, use, and the right to initiate new uses, as may be allowed by the zone, may be continued on properties that drop below the zoning standards.

In the process of vetting language to enable this, staff found other areas of the code related to nonconforming parcels that need additional clarity. Under historic best management practices, and in model ordinances used throughout the country,

the nonconforming use and noncomplying structures ordinance is intended to ensure that the right to continue existing uses and structures are vested throughout time, and are protected from zoning changes or standards changes presented by new ordinances (often referred to as "grandfathered"). However, the original intent of such an ordinance is to make the changes or modifications of nonconforming uses and structures so restrictive that future land owners are more motivated to eliminate the nonconformity and comply with new ordinance standards (achieved by reconfiguring property and/or tearing down old structures). This intent was a method of advancing the purposes of new ordinances, which were presumably enacted to better the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

In Weber County, such restrictiveness has not prevailed. Even though the framework of Chapter 108-12 Noncomplying Structures and Nonconforming Uses/Parcels appears to follow the framework of historic model ordinances, the chapter has been amended to be more permissive regarding the modification of noncomplying structures. It has also been amended with provisions on how to treat nonconforming lots, giving leniency to those lots created in a manner that did not comply with previous subdivision codes. Essentially, what this does is gives a grant of amnesty from subdivision requirements for these lots. The County does this for three reasons:

- 1. It some cases it is difficult to determine what laws were in effect at the time, and whether they complied with state laws of the time.
- 2. It is difficult to tell whether the County has consistently and fairly applied those laws to all people/properties.
- 3. It is politically unpalatable to penalize a successor for violations that were created by a prior owner.

These provisions are not proposed to be removed, but they are being revised to provide clarity.

Policy Analysis

To provide for lots affected by public right-of-way expansions, Staff proposes the changes that can be found in the attached Exhibit A proposed code change, Section 108-12-15. Along with this new code section, a notice document has been created that will be recorded on the properties affected by right of way expansions. This notice will give current and future property owners notice of the new ordinance, and provide clarity in the record that their right to existing and new uses on the property will not be affected by the right of way expansion. This notice is provided in Exhibit B. The notice is not part of the text amendment.

Regarding unplatted properties, the changes proposed in Exhibit A, under Section 108-12-11, maintain the flexibility of the current ordinance whilst also providing clarifications. One primary difference in the proposal that deviates from the historic standard of practice is the modified definition of "Lot, nonconforming," in Section 101-1-7. Current ordinance only lists that zoning area and zoning width standards may make a lot nonconforming. The new definition specifies that all applicable lot standards are to be considered when evaluating whether a lot is nonconforming. The significance of this change is this: lot standards may be found in various places in the code, including the zoning ordinance and the subdivision ordinance. If a lot is legally created or modified under the lot standards of any land use code requirement at the time and any of those lot standards are later changed, then the lot is considered nonconforming as it relates to the changed lot standard, whatever that standard may be. The proposed definition is no longer limiting to zoning area and zoning width standards.

Because this change parts ways with historic application of this ordinance, both within Weber County and elsewhere, staff consulted with the Weber County legal team and the Office of the Property Rights Ombudsman to ensure the philosophy is keeping with the goal of maintaining a supportable and defensible code.

This new distinction is only important insomuch as nonconforming lots are treated differently from conforming lots. Staff has searched the code for all references to nonconforming lots and cannot find any reference that this change may negatively affect.

Conformance to the General Plan

Legislative decisions should be considered through the lens of policy perspectives provided in the General Plan. A review of the general plan documents returned little specificity on the subjects. However, the transportation element of both

townships' current general plans provide recommendations regarding sufficient vehicular transportation facilities¹, and this proposal helps support that.

Conditions of Approval

Not Applicable

Past Action on this Item

The Western Weber Planning Commission reviewed the proposal in a work session on November 18, 2014. The Ogden Valley Planning Commission reviewed the proposal in a work session on January 27, 2015. No action was taken in either meeting.

Noticing Compliance

A hearing for this item before the Planning Commission has been posted for public notice in compliance with UCA §17-27a-205 in the following manners:

- Posted on the County's Official Website 10 days in advance of the hearing.
- Posted on the Utah Public Notice Website 10 days in advance of the hearing.
- Published in a local newspaper 10 days in advance of the hearing.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of the text included as Exhibit B and Exhibit C with the following findings:

- 1. The additions will provide property owners affected by the expansion of a public right-of-way the protections of a nonconforming status that fall below zoning standards as a result of the expansion.
- 2. The additions provide property owners with an equitable balance to an issue caused by the County's acquisition of a portion of their land for public purposes.
- 3. The clarifications are not detrimental to the health, safety, and welfare of County residents.

The Planning Commission's decision should be made as a recommendation to the County Commission. A model motion is provided below.

Sample Motions

Sample Motion for a **Positive Recommendation** – "I move we forward a positive recommendation to the County Commission for the Zoning Text Amendment regarding lots made nonconforming by public right-of-way expansion, and other clarifications related to regulation of nonconforming lots, File #ZTA 2014-05, with the following findings:

- 1. All findings recommended by staff in the staff report dated February 12, 2015;
 - a. [as modified with these changes:
- 2. ... List and additional findings to support the amendment, as may be deemed necessary."

Sample Motion for a **Negative Recommendation** – "I move we forward a negative recommendation to the County Commission for the Zoning Text Amendment regarding lots made nonconforming by public right-of-way expansion, and other clarifications related to regulation of nonconforming lots, File #ZTA 2014-05, with the following findings:

1. List any findings...

Exhibits

- A. Summary, List, and Key to Proposed Changes.
- B. Code Change Right of Way Expansions Causing Nonconforming Lots (Redlines).
- C. Code Change Right of Way Expansions Causing Nonconforming Lots (Clean).
- D. Draft Notice of Legal-Nonconformance (for administrative use).
- E. Land Use Code Revision Process Flowchart

¹ For 1998 Ogden Valley General Plan, see Section 9.02. For the 2003 West Central Weber General Plan, see Section 3-1.

EXHIBIT A: SUMMARY, LIST, AND KEY TO PROPOSED CHANGES

2	The following code changes are being proposed due to several planned public right of way expansion projects that may cause some lots to lose area and drop below the minimum lot standards of the
3 4	applicable zone. During routine review of related code sections, staff found the need for greater clarity throughout, and are proposing such changes here.
5	This change addresses the following sections:
6	Sec 101-1-7. Definitions:
7	Lot, nonconforming
8	Lot of record (lawfully created lot)
9	Noncomplying structure
10	Nonconforming lot or parcel
11	Nonconforming sign
12	Sec. 108-12-10. Legal use of nonconforming lots
13	Related Additions, Corrections, and Clarifications:
14	Sec. 108-12. General Code Clarification.
15	Sec. 108-12-11. Subdivision Plat Requirements for Nonconforming Lots
16	Sec. 108-12-13. Setback requirements for nonconforming lots.
17	Sec. 108-12-14. Parcels previously combined
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19	Key to changes:
20	Language that has been added is shown in blue underline.
21	Language that has been moved to a new location is shown in green double-strikeout-
22	Language that has been deleted is shown in red strikeouts.
23	Language that has been moved from an old location is shown in green double underline.

EXHIBIT B: CODE CHANGE – RIGHT OF WAY EXPANSIONS CAUSING NONCONFORMING LOTS.

All sections of code not specifically addressed herein shall remain unchanged.

1 PART II LAND USE CODE [1]

- 2 <u>Title 101 GENERAL PROVISIONS</u>
- 3 Title 102 ADMINISTRATION
- 4 <u>Title 103 RESERVED</u>
- 5 <u>Title 104 ZONES</u>
- 6 Title 105 RESERVED
- 7 <u>Title 106 SUBDIVISIONS</u>
- 8 Title 107 RESERVED
- 9 Title 108 STANDARDS
- 10 <u>Title 109 RESERVED</u>
- 11 Title 110 SIGNS

12 Title 101 GENERAL PROVISIONS [2]

- 13 <u>Sec. 101-1-1. Short title.</u>
- 14 <u>Sec. 101-1-2. Purpose.</u>
- Sec. 101-1-3. Interpretation.
- 16 Sec. 101-1-4. Conflict.
- 17 Sec. 101-1-5. Effect on previous ordinances and maps.
- 18 Sec. 101-1-6. Rules of construction.
- 19 <u>Sec. 101-1-7. Definitions.</u>
- Sec. 101-1-8. Amendments to Code; effect of new ordinances; amendatory language.
- Sec. 101-1-9. Supplementation of Code.
- Sec. 101-1-10. Catchlines of sections.
- 23 Sec. 101-1-11. Altering Code.
- Sec. 101-1-12. Severability of parts of Code.
- 25 <u>Sec. 101-1-13. General penalty; continuing violations.</u>
- Sec. 101-1-14. Certain ordinances not repealed or affected by adoption of Code.
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28 Sec. 101-1-7. Definitions. 29 30 Lot, nonconforming. The term "nonconforming lot" means a lot or parcel that complied with lot standards in effect at the time of the lot's creation and, because of subsequent changes to 31 the Land Use Code, does not conform to the current lot standards. Applicable standards include 32 33 lot standards of the zone in which the lot is located, lot standards of the subdivision ordinance, 34 and other lot standards of this Land Use Code. of land that has less than the required minimum area or width as established by the zone in which it is located and provided that such lot or parcel 35 36 was of record as a legally created lot on the effective date of the ordinance from which this title is 37 derived. 38 39 Noncomplying structure. The term "noncomplying structure" means a structure that 40 legally existed before its current land use designation and because of one or more subsequent land use ordinance changes, does not conform to the setback, height restrictions, or other 41 42 regulations, excluding those regulations that govern the use of land. 43 Nonconforming building or structure. The term "nonconforming building or structure" 44 means a building or structure or portion thereof, lawfully existing at the time of the effective of the ordinance from which this chapter is derived, which does not conform to all the height, area 45 46 and yard regulations herein prescribed in the zone in which it is located. 47 Nonconforming lot or parcel. See "Lot, nonconforming." Nonconforming sign. See "Sign, nonconforming." 48 49 Nonconforming use. The term "nonconforming use" means a use of land that legally 50 existed before its current land use designation, has been maintained continuously since the time 51 the land use ordinance regulation governing the land changed, and because of one or more 52 subsequent land use ordinance changes, does not conform to the regulations that now govern 53 the use of the land. 54 55 **Title 108 STANDARDS** 56 CHAPTER 1. - DESIGN REVIEW 57 CHAPTER 2. - OGDEN VALLEY ARCHITECTURAL, LANDSCAPE AND SCREENING DESIGN STANDARDS 58 CHAPTER 3. - CLUSTER SUBDIVISIONS 59 CHAPTER 4. - CONDITIONAL USES 60 CHAPTER 5. - PLANNED RESIDENTIAL UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PRUD) Page 2 of 12

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63	CHAPTER 8 PARKING AND LOADING SPACE, VEHICLE TRAFFIC AND ACCESS REGULATIONS
64	CHAPTER 9 MOTOR VEHICLE ACCESS
65	CHAPTER 10 PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND PUBLIC UTILITY SUBSTATIONS AND STRUCTURES
66	CHAPTER 11 RESERVED
6 7 68	CHAPTER 12 NONCOMPLYING STRUCTURES-AND, NONCONFORMING USES/PARCELS, AND NONCONFORMING LOTS
69 70	CHAPTER 13 HOME OCCUPATION; SHORT TERM VENDORS; TEMPORARY OUTDOOR SALES; FARMER'S MARKETS
71	CHAPTER 14 HILLSIDE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCEDURES AND STANDARDS
72	CHAPTER 15 STANDARDS FOR SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLINGS
73	CHAPTER 16 OGDEN VALLEY LIGHTING
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80 81	CHAPTER 12. NONCOMPLYING STRUCTURES, AND NONCONFORMING USES, PARCELS AND NONCONFORMING LOTS
82	Sec. 108-12-1. Purpose and intent.
83	Sec. 108-12-2. Maintenance, repairs, and alterations.
84	Sec. 108-12-3. Additions and enlargements.
85	Sec. 108-12-4. Alteration where parking insufficient.
86	Sec. 108-12-5. Moving noncomplying structures.
87	Sec. 108-12-6. Restoration of damaged buildings.
88	Sec. 108-12-7. One-year vacancy or abandonment.
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89	Sec. 108-12-8. Change of use.
89 90	Sec. 108-12-9. Expansion of nonconforming use.

92	Sec. 108-12-11. Subdivision plat requirements for nonconforming lots, exceptions. Parcels in areas subjected
93	to change in zoning.
94	Sec. 108-12-12. Combining Enlarging nonconforming parcels lots.
95	Sec. 108-12-13. Setback requirements for nonconforming lots. Small lots/parcels created prior to zoning.
96	Sec. 108-12-14. Parcels previously combined for tax purposes.
97	Sec. 108-12-15. Effect of Public Right of Way Expansion.
98	Sec. 108-12-1. Purpose and intent.
99	The purpose and intent of this chapter is to provide standards for the development
100	and use of noncomplying structures and, nonconforming uses, <u>and nonconforming</u>
101	lotsparcels. These structures, uses, and lots parcels are considered legal, despite not
102	meeting the current requirements of the zone in which they are located.
103	Sec. 108-12-2. Maintenance, repairs, and alterations.
104	(a) Maintenance, repairs, and structural alterations may be made to noncomplying structures
105	on lots of record.
106	(b) Dwellings or other structures built on lots or parcels which were once legal, but have
107	since been made illegal modified in a manner that is in violation of applicable laws, shall
108	not be issued land use or building permits, unless the structure is being strengthened or
109	restored to a safe condition, or the lot or parcel is made to conform to current zoning
110	regulations. In restoring the structure to a safe condition, no expansion of the structure is
111	allowed.
112	Sec. 108-12-3. Additions and enlargements.
113	(a) A structure which is occupied by a nonconforming use shall not be added to or expanded
114	in any manner, unless such expansion is made to conform to all yard and use regulations
115	of the zone in which the structure is located.
116	(b) A noncomplying structure (main or accessory) shall not be added to or enlarged in any
117	manner, unless such addition or enlargement conforms to all the regulations of the zone
118	in which it is located, or conforms to the reduced yard setbacks as allowed in section
119	108-12-13
120	(c) A legally constructed dwelling or other structure on a lot of record, which has yard
121	setbacks that are less than the required yard setbacks for the zone in which it is located,
122	shall be allowed to have an addition, provided that:

123 124	existing dwelling or other structure; and
125 126	(2) The addition is located completely on the same property as the existing structure and does not encroach into a road right-of-way or on to adjacent property.
127 128 129	(d) A legally constructed dwelling or other structure on a lot of record, which is located within a stream corridor setback (as defined by the Weber County Land Use Code sections 108-7-23 and/or 104-28-2, shall be allowed to have an addition(s) may be added to a section of the construction of the street and the street a
130 131 132	to or enlarged, provided that:(1) The addition does not encroach into the stream corridor setback further than the existing dwelling or other structure; and
133 134 135	(2) The addition meets the yard setback requirements of the zone in which it is located or conforms to the reduced yard setbacks as allowed in section 108-12- 13; or
136 137	(3) The addition does not encroach into the required yard setbacks further than the existing dwelling or other structure.
138	Sec. 108-12-4. Alteration where parking insufficient.
139 140 141	A structure lacking sufficient automobile parking space as required by this chapter may be altered or enlarged, provided additional automobile parking space is supplied to meet the requirements of the Weber County Land Use Code.
142	Sec. 108-12-5. Moving noncomplying structures.
143 144 145 146	A noncomplying structure shall not be moved in whole or in part to any other location on a lot or *parcel*, unless every portion of such structure is made to conform to all regulations of the zone in which it is located, or made to conform to the reduced yard setbacks as allowed in section 108-12-13.
147	Sec. 108-12-6. Restoration of damaged buildings.
148 149 150 151 152	A noncomplying structure which is damaged or partially destroyed by fire, flood, wind, earthquake, or other calamity, act of God, or the public enemy, may be restored and the occupancy or use of such structure or part thereof, may be continued or resumed, provided that such restoration is started within a period of one year, by obtaining a land use permit, and is diligently pursued to completion.
153	Sec. 108-12-7. One-year vacancy or abandonment.

- (a) A legal structure, or portion thereof, which is occupied by a nonconforming use, and which is or hereafter becomes vacant and remains unoccupied for a continuous period of one year, except for dwellings and structures to house animals and fowl, shall not thereafter be occupied except by a use which conforms to the use regulations of the zone in which it is located. Wherever a nonconforming use has been discontinued for a period of one year, such use shall not thereafter be re-established and any future use shall be in conformance with the current provisions of the Weber County Land Use Code.
- (b) Any building or structure for which a valid building permit has been issued and actual construction was lawfully begun prior to the date when the structure became noncomplying, may be completed and used in accordance with the plans, specifications and permit on which said building permit was granted. The term "actual construction" is hereby defined to be the actual placing of construction materials in their permanent position, fastened in a permanent manner, actual work in excavating a basement or the demolition or removal of an existing structure begun preparatory to rebuilding; provided that in all cases actual construction work shall be diligently carried on until the completion of the building or structure involved.

Sec. 108-12-8. Change of use.

The nonconforming use of a legal structure may not be changed except to a conforming use. Where such a change is made to a conforming use, the use shall not thereafter be changed back to a nonconforming use.

Sec. 108-12-9. Expansion of nonconforming use.

A nonconforming use may be extended to include the entire floor area of the existing legal structure in which it was conducted at the time the use became nonconforming, provided, however, that a certificate of occupancyLand Use Permit is first obtained for such extension of use.

Sec. 108-12-10. Legal use of-nonconforming lotsparcels.

- _(a) Any legally created lot and/or parcel of land, which existed prior to adoption of the Weber County Land Use Code/Zoning Map may apply to develop any of the permitted or conditional uses for which the lot and/or parcel qualifies, in the zone where the lot and/or parcel of land is located. In Western Weber County, the 1962 ownership plats are used as the legal reference point, and in the Ogden Valley, the 1966 ownership plats are used as the legal reference point.
- (b) Any legally created lot and/or parcel of land which existed prior to the adoption of the Weber County Land Use Code or an amendment to the Land Use Code, but which may now require a different lot area or lot width/frontage, may apply to develop any of the permitted or

conditional uses for which the lot and/or parcel qualifies, in the zone where the lot and/or parcel of land is located.

Development on a nonconforming lot is permitted. Development on a nonconforming lot is limited to only those permitted and conditional uses allowed on the smallest minimum lot size for the applicable zone. A new use on a nonconforming lot is prohibited if the proposed use requires a lot size larger than the smallest lot size permitted in the zone. A legally established use may continue on a nonconforming lot regardless of the lot size requirements of the use.

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Sec. 108-12-11. Parcels in areas subjected to change in zoning Subdivision plat requirements for nonconforming lots, exemptions.

All lots and parcels shall be platted as part of a subdivision in conformance with the requirements of Title 106 of this Land Use Code, unless otherwise exempted by State Code or this Land Use Code. The platting of nonconforming lots, and the amendment to a platted subdivision containing nonconforming lots are governed as follows:

- (a) The following rules govern the treatment of an unplatted lot that was created in conformance with the lot standards in effect at the time of the lot's creation and, because of subsequent changes to the Land Use Code, does not conform to the current lot standards; the lot may not have conformed with the requirements of the subdivision code in effect at that time:
 - (1) If the existing lot can be defined as a Lot of Record, as defined in Section 101-1-7, the lot shall be exempt from subdivision platting requirements.
 - (2) If the existing lot was created prior to July 1, 1992, contained a single family dwelling unit, and complied with the standards of the zone in effect at the time of the lot's creation, the lot shall be exempt from subdivision platting requirements, and is a nonconforming lot.
 - (3) If the existing lot was created prior to July 1, 1992, and does not qualify for the provisions of subsections (a)(1) and (a)(2), then the lot shall be platted in accordance with Title 106 of this Land Use Code. Lot standards applicable for such subdivision may be reduced to meet the minimum standards of the zone in effect at the time of the lot's creation so long as it does not create any more lots than currently exist, and the current lot size is not materially reduced from it's current acreage. All such platted lots that do not conform to current zoning standards shall thereafter be considered nonconforming lots. A lot that does not meet the minimum standards of the zone in

222	effect at the time of the lot's creation may be reconfigured upon platting to comply
223	with such standards as long as the reconfiguration does not cause any other lot to
224	become nonconforming or more nonconforming. A lot platted pursuant to this
225	subsection may be further reduced in size to accommodate any right of way
226	dedication as may be required by Title 106 of this Land Use Code. No unplatted lot
227	or parcel governed by this subsection shall be granted a land use permit prior to
228	subdivision platting.
220	Subdivision platting.
229	(b) Any lot legally platted within the bounds of a subdivision that was created pursuant to the
230	standards of the zoning code and subdivision code in effect at the time of its creation, but
231	no longer complies due to subsequent changes to these codes, may be amended
232	pursuant to the minimum standards in effect at the time of its creation. The amendment
233	shall not create any new lots. An amended plat shall be required.
234	Where lot area and/or frontage/width requirements have increased as a result of a change in
235	zoning, the following shall apply:
236	(1) Parcels not meeting current zoning as to area and/or frontage/width
237	requirements, but containing a single-family dwelling which:
238	a. Were built on and created and recorded prior to July 1992 changes to
239	the Utah Code, Subdivision Law and met area and frontage/width
240	requirements for the zone in which they were created at the time they were
241	created are considered nonconforming parcels; or
242	b. Were created and recorded with an existing single-family dwelling
243	after July 1992 changes to the Utah Code, Subdivision Law but prior to the
244	change in zoning, and met area and frontage/width requirements for the zone
245	in which they were created at the time they were created shall submit an
246	application for subdivision approval;
247	c. Were part of a legal subdivision, but were further divided, and met the
248	requirements of subsections (1)a or b of this section shall be subject to the
249	note below.
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251	NOTE: No lot within a subdivision approved by the Planning Commission
252	and County Commission and recorded in the County Recorder's Office in
253	accordance with the provisions of the Subdivision Ordinance, shall be further
254	divided, rearranged, added to or reduced in area nor shall the boundaries of
255	any lot be altered in a any manner so as to create more lots than initially
256	recorded without first obtaining the approval of the Land Use Authority.
257	Therefore, an amended plat shall be required.
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260	(2) Parcels not meeting current zoning as to area and/or frontage/width
261	requirements, containing a single-family dwelling which:
262	a. Were created and recorded prior to July 1992 changes to the Utah
263	Code, Subdivision Law;
264	b. Are able to obtain the additional area and frontage/width which would
265	bring the lot into compliance with the area and frontage/width requirements
266	for the zone in which they were created at the time they were created; and
267	 c. Complied with all other county ordinances when built;
268	may submit an application for subdivision approval provided they meet all other
269	requirements of title 106, Subdivisions.
270	(3) Parcels not meeting current zoning as to area and/or frontage/width
271	requirements which:
272	a. Were created and recorded prior to July 1992 changes to the Utah
273	Code, Subdivision Law; and
274	b. Met area and frontage/width requirements for the zone in which they
275	were created at the time they were created;
276	may submit an application for subdivision approval provided they meet all other
277	requirements of title 106.
278	(4) Lots/parcels which are subject to subsections (1), (2), or (3) of this section,
279	and have boundary descriptions that fall within a roadway, shall be allowed to develop
280	with the lot/parcel area that remains after dedicating land for the roadway, as required
281	by the Weber County Land Use Code.
282	(5) Parcels that have been combined by the county recorder's office for tax
283	purposes shall be allowed to separate one or more of the combined parcels on an
284	approved and recorded form provided:
285	a. The parcels that are being separated were originally created prior to July
286	1992 changes to the Utah Code, and Subdivision Law;
287	b. The properties as configured prior to the combination met area and
288	frontage/width requirements for the zone in which they were created, or were
289	considered nonconforming parcels;
290	c. The combination was done by the current owner or same owner acting as
291	trustee, and was done by a quit claim, combination form, or other instrument, which
292	states the consolidation of parcels is for tax purposes;

293	d. No new lots are being created;
294	e. The separation of parcels results in a configuration consistent with the
295	original parcels and conforms to the ordinance that was in place prior to the recording
296	of the combination form; and
297	f. The separation of combined parcels authorized under this subsection does
298	not authorize a change in the configuration of an approved and recorded subdivision
299	er lets within such subdivision. A subdivision plat cannet be changed unless an
300	amended subdivision plat is prepared and recorded in accordance with Utah Code
301	and title 106 of the Land Use Code.
302	Sec. 108-12-12. Combining Enlarging nonconforming parcels lots.
303	Nonconforming lots may be reconfigured in a manner that complies with the
304	standards of the zone in effect at the time of the lot's creation if the reconfiguration does not
305	create any more lots than currently exist. The reconfiguration shall not cause any other lot to
306	become nonconforming or more nonconforming. If the nonconforming lot is part of a platted
307	subdivision an amended subdivision plat is required. Parcels not meeting current zoning as
308	to area and frontage/width requirements that were legally created or made legal through the
309	provisions of this chapter, may be enlarged by combining adjoining parcels provided that:
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311	(1) The combination is achieved by submitting a subdivision if any of the parcels
312	were part of a recorded subdivision or by combining parcels if they have metes
313	and bounds descriptions;
314	(2) All adjoining parcels under common ownership, or brought under common
315	ownership after the date of the adoption of this section are merged to create the
316	largest lot possible;
317	(3) The combination does not result in any illegal divisions of land; and
318	(4) Structures built on the newly created lot shall resemble the architectural style,
319	height, size and mass of existing noncommercial structures on parcels within 500
320	feet of the newly created lot, and meet all current setback and height
321	requirements of the zone in which the combination is made.
322	Sec. 108-12-13. Setback requirements for nonconforming lots. Small lots/parcels
323	created prior to zoning.

324	A nonconforming lot_ /parcel_that has a smaller width than is required for the zone in
325	which it is located may be developed in a manner that does not exceed the following allowed
326	reduction in side yard setbacks:
327	(1) A nonconforming lot's parcel's actual width (v) may be divided by the current
328	required frontage/width (w) in order to formulate a ratio or proportional relation
329	(x). (Formula: "v" divided by "w" equals "x.")
330	(2) The ratio may then be multiplied by the current zone's side yard setback
331	requirement (y) in order to establish a reduced setback (z). (Formula: "x"
332	multiplied by "y" equals "z".)
333	(3) The reduced side yard setback is subject to the conditions listed below.
334	(Formula: v÷w=x. x×y=z.)
335	a. Under no circumstances shall an interior lot/parcel be allowed to reduce
336	the side-yard setback requirement below five feet on one side and eight feet
337	on the other.
338 339	 b. Under no circumstances shall a corner lot/parcel be allowed to reduce the side-yard requirement below ten feet when the side yard fronts on a street.
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341	Sec. 108-12-14. Parcels previously combined for tax purposes.
342	(a) Parcels that have been combined by the county recorder's office for tax purposes shall be
343	allowed to separate one or more of the combined parcels on an approved and recorded form
344	<u>provided</u> if:
345	(1) a.—The parcels that are being separated were originally created prior to July 1, 1992;
346	changes to the Utah Code, and Subdivision Law;
347	(2) b.—The properties as configured prior to the combination met area and frontage/width
348	requirements for the zone in which they were created, or were considered
349	nonconforming parcels lots;
350	(3) <u>e.</u> —The combination was done by the current owner or same owner acting as trustee,
351	and was done by a quit claim, combination form, or other instrument, which states the
352	consolidation of parcels is for tax purposes;
353	(4) d.—No new lots are being created; and
354	(5) e. The separation of parcels results in a configuration consistent with the original
355	parcels and conforms to the ordinance that was in place prior to the recording of the

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EXHIBIT B: CODE CHANGE – RIGHT OF WAY EXPANSIONS CAUSING NONCONFORMING LOTS.

All sections of code not specifically addressed herein shall remain unchanged.

1 PART II LAND USE CODE [1]

- 2 <u>Title 101 GENERAL PROVISIONS</u>
- 3 Title 102 ADMINISTRATION
- 4 <u>Title 103 RESERVED</u>
- 5 <u>Title 104 ZONES</u>
- 6 Title 105 RESERVED
- 7 <u>Title 106 SUBDIVISIONS</u>
- 8 Title 107 RESERVED
- 9 Title 108 STANDARDS
- 10 <u>Title 109 RESERVED</u>
- 11 Title 110 SIGNS

12 Title 101 GENERAL PROVISIONS [2]

- 13 <u>Sec. 101-1-1. Short title.</u>
- 14 Sec. 101-1-2. Purpose.
- Sec. 101-1-3. Interpretation.
- 16 Sec. 101-1-4. Conflict.
- 17 Sec. 101-1-5. Effect on previous ordinances and maps.
- 18 Sec. 101-1-6. Rules of construction.
- 19 <u>Sec. 101-1-7. Definitions.</u>
- Sec. 101-1-8. Amendments to Code; effect of new ordinances; amendatory language.
- Sec. 101-1-9. Supplementation of Code.
- Sec. 101-1-10. Catchlines of sections.
- 23 Sec. 101-1-11. Altering Code.
- Sec. 101-1-12. Severability of parts of Code.
- Sec. 101-1-13. General penalty; continuing violations.
- 26 Sec. 101-1-14. Certain ordinances not repealed or affected by adoption of Code.
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28	Sec. 101-1-7. Definitions.
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30	Lot, nonconforming. The term "nonconforming lot" means a lot or parcel that complied
31	with lot standards in effect at the time of the lot's creation and, because of subsequent changes to
32	the Land Use Code, does not conform to the current lot standards. Applicable standards include
33	lot standards of the zone in which the lot is located, lot standards of the subdivision ordinance,
34	and other lot standards of this Land Use Code.
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36	Noncomplying structure. The term "noncomplying structure" means a structure that
37	legally existed before its current land use designation and because of one or more subsequent
38	land use ordinance changes, does not conform to the setback, height restrictions, or other
39	regulations, excluding those regulations that govern the use of land.
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41	Nonconforming lot or parcel. See "Lot, nonconforming."
42	Nonconforming sign. See "Sign, nonconforming."
43	Nonconforming use. The term "nonconforming use" means a use of land that legally
44	existed before its current land use designation, has been maintained continuously since the time
45	the land use ordinance regulation governing the land changed, and because of one or more
46	subsequent land use ordinance changes, does not conform to the regulations that now govern
47	the use of the land.
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49	Title 108 STANDARDS
50	CHAPTER 1 DESIGN REVIEW
51	CHAPTER 2 OGDEN VALLEY ARCHITECTURAL, LANDSCAPE AND SCREENING DESIGN STANDARDS
52	CHAPTER 3 CLUSTER SUBDIVISIONS
53	CHAPTER 4 CONDITIONAL USES
54	CHAPTER 5 PLANNED RESIDENTIAL UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PRUD)
55	CHAPTER 6 TIME SHARE
56	CHAPTER 7 SUPPLEMENTARY AND QUALIFYING REGULATIONS
57	CHAPTER 8 PARKING AND LOADING SPACE, VEHICLE TRAFFIC AND ACCESS REGULATIONS
58	CHAPTER 9 MOTOR VEHICLE ACCESS

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60	CHAPTER 11 RESERVED	
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62 63	CHAPTER 13 HOME OCCUPATION; SHORT TERM VENDORS; TEMPORARY OUTDOOR SALES; FARMER'S MARKETS	
64	CHAPTER 14 HILLSIDE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCEDURES AND STANDARDS	
65	CHAPTER 15 STANDARDS FOR SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLINGS	
66	CHAPTER 16 OGDEN VALLEY LIGHTING	
67	CHAPTER 17 OGDEN VALLEY PATHWAYS	
68	CHAPTER 18 DRINKING WATER SOURCE PROTECTION	
69	CHAPTER 19 ACCESSORY APARTMENTS	
70	CHAPTER 20 FOREST CAMPGROUNDS	
71	CHAPTER 21 - AGRI-TOURISM	
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74	Sec. 108-12-1. Purpose and intent.	
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77	Sec. 108-12-4. Alteration where parking insufficient.	
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79	Sec. 108-12-6. Restoration of damaged buildings.	
80	Sec. 108-12-7. One-year vacancy or abandonment.	
81	Sec. 108-12-8. Change of use.	
82	Sec. 108-12-9. Expansion of nonconforming use.	
83	Sec. 108-12-10. Legal use of nonconforming lots.	

Sec. 108-12-13. Setback requirements for nonconforming lots.

Sec. 108-12-12. Enlarging nonconforming lots.

- 87 Sec. 108-12-14. Parcels previously combined for tax purposes.
- 88 Sec. 108-12-15. Effect of Public Right of Way Expansion.

89 Sec. 108-12-1. Purpose and intent.

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Sec. 108-12-11. Subdivision plat requirements for nonconforming lots, exceptions.

90 The purpose and intent of this chapter is to provide standards for the development 91 and use of noncomplying structures, nonconforming uses, and nonconforming lots. These structures, uses, and lots are considered legal, despite not meeting the current requirements 92 of the zone in which they are located. 93 Sec. 108-12-2. Maintenance, repairs, and alterations. 94 95 (a) Maintenance, repairs, and structural alterations may be made to noncomplying structures on lots of record. 96 97 (b) Dwellings or other structures built on lots or parcels which were once legal, but have 98 since been modified in a manner that is in violation of applicable laws, shall not be issued 99 land use or building permits, unless the structure is being strengthened or restored to a 100 safe condition, or the lot or parcel is made to conform to current zoning regulations. In 101 restoring the structure to a safe condition, no expansion of the structure is allowed. 102 Sec. 108-12-3. Additions and enlargements. 103 (a) A structure which is occupied by a nonconforming use shall not be added to or expanded in any manner, unless such expansion is made to conform to all yard and use regulations 104 105 of the zone in which the structure is located. 106 (b) A noncomplying structure (main or accessory) shall not be added to or enlarged in any 107 manner, unless such addition or enlargement conforms to all the regulations of the zone 108 in which it is located, or conforms to the reduced yard setbacks as allowed in section 109 108-12-13 110 (c) A legally constructed dwelling or other structure on a lot of record, which has yard 111 setbacks that are less than the required yard setbacks for the zone in which it is located, 112 shall be allowed to have an addition, provided that: (1) The addition does not encroach into the required yard setbacks further than the 113 114 existing dwelling or other structure; and 115 (2) The addition is located completely on the same property as the existing structure and does not encroach into a road right-of-way or on to adjacent property. 116 117 (d) A legally constructed dwelling or other structure on a lot of record, which is located within 118 a stream corridor setback (as defined by the Weber County Land Use Code 119 sections 108-7-23 and/or 104-28-2, may be added to or enlarged, provided that: 120 (1) The addition does not encroach into the stream corridor setback further than the

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existing dwelling or other structure; and

122	(2) The addition meets the yard setback requirements of the zone in which it is
123	located or conforms to the reduced yard setbacks as allowed in section 108-12-
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125	(3) The addition does not encroach into the required yard setbacks further than the
126	existing dwelling or other structure.
127	Sec. 108-12-4. Alteration where parking insufficient.
128	A structure lacking sufficient automobile parking space as required by this chapter
129	may be altered or enlarged, provided additional automobile parking space is supplied to
130	meet the requirements of the Weber County Land Use Code.
131	Sec. 108-12-5. Moving noncomplying structures.
132	A noncomplying structure shall not be moved in whole or in part to any other location
133	on a lot or parcel, unless every portion of such structure is made to conform to all regulations
134	of the zone in which it is located, or made to conform to the reduced yard setbacks as
135	allowed in section 108-12-13.
136	Sec. 108-12-6. Restoration of damaged buildings.
137	A noncomplying structure which is damaged or partially destroyed by fire, flood,
138	wind, earthquake, or other calamity, act of God, or the public enemy, may be restored and
139	the occupancy or use of such structure or part thereof, may be continued or resumed,
140	provided that such restoration is started within a period of one year, by obtaining a land use
141	permit, and is diligently pursued to completion.
142	Sec. 108-12-7. One-year vacancy or abandonment.
143	(a) A legal structure, or portion thereof, which is occupied by a nonconforming use, and
144	which is or hereafter becomes vacant and remains unoccupied for a continuous period of
145	one year, except for dwellings and structures to house animals and fowl, shall not
146	thereafter be occupied except by a use which conforms to the use regulations of the
147	zone in which it is located. Wherever a nonconforming use has been discontinued for a
148	period of one year, such use shall not thereafter be re-established and any future use
149	shall be in conformance with the current provisions of the Weber County Land Use Code.
150	(b) Any building or structure for which a valid building permit has been issued and actual

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construction was lawfully begun prior to the date when the structure became

noncomplying, may be completed and used in accordance with the plans, specifications

and permit on which said building permit was granted. The term "actual construction" is

hereby defined to be the actual placing of construction materials in their permanent

position, fastened in a permanent manner, actual work in excavating a basement or the demolition or removal of an existing structure begun preparatory to rebuilding; provided that in all cases actual construction work shall be diligently carried on until the completion of the building or structure involved.

Sec. 108-12-8. Change of use.

The nonconforming use of a legal structure may not be changed except to a conforming use. Where such a change is made to a conforming use, the use shall not thereafter be changed back to a nonconforming use.

Sec. 108-12-9. Expansion of nonconforming use.

A nonconforming use may be extended to include the entire floor area of the existing legal structure in which it was conducted at the time the use became nonconforming, provided, however, that a Land Use Permit is first obtained for such extension of use.

Sec. 108-12-10. Legal use of nonconforming lots.

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Development on a nonconforming lot is permitted. Development on a nonconforming lot is limited to only those permitted and conditional uses allowed on the smallest minimum lot size for the applicable zone. A new use on a nonconforming lot is prohibited if the proposed use requires a lot size larger than the smallest lot size permitted in the zone. A legally established use may continue on a nonconforming lot regardless of the lot size requirements of the use.

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Sec. 108-12-11. Subdivision plat requirements for nonconforming lots, exemptions.

All lots and parcels shall be platted as part of a subdivision in conformance with the requirements of Title 106 of this Land Use Code, unless otherwise exempted by State Code or this Land Use Code. The platting of nonconforming lots, and the amendment to a platted subdivision containing nonconforming lots are governed as follows:

(a) The following rules govern the treatment of an unplatted lot that was created in conformance with the lot standards in effect at the time of the lot's creation and, because of subsequent changes to the Land Use Code, does not conform to the current lot standards; the lot may not have conformed with the requirements of the subdivision code in effect at that time:

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186 187	(1) If the existing lot can be defined as a Lot of Record, as defined in Section 101-1-7, the lot shall be exempt from subdivision platting requirements.
188 189 190	(2) If the existing lot was created prior to July 1, 1992, contained a single family dwelling unit, and complied with the standards of the zone in effect at the time of the lot's creation, the lot shall be exempt from subdivision platting requirements, and is a
191	nonconforming lot.
192 193	(3) If the existing lot was created prior to July 1, 1992, and does not qualify for the provisions of subsections (a)(1) and (a)(2), then the lot shall be platted in accordance
194 195	with Title 106 of this Land Use Code. Lot standards applicable for such subdivision may be reduced to meet the minimum standards of the zone in effect at the time of
196 197	the lot's creation so long as it does not create any more lots than currently exist, and the current lot size is not materially reduced from it's current acreage. All such platted
198 199	lots that do not conform to current zoning standards shall thereafter be considered nonconforming lots. A lot that does not meet the minimum standards of the zone in
200	effect at the time of the lot's creation may be reconfigured upon platting to comply
201202	with such standards as long as the reconfiguration does not cause any other lot to become nonconforming or more nonconforming. A lot platted pursuant to this
203204	subsection may be further reduced in size to accommodate any right of way dedication as may be required by Title 106 of this Land Use Code. No unplatted lot
205 206	or parcel governed by this subsection shall be granted a land use permit prior to subdivision platting.
207 208	(b) Any lot legally platted within the bounds of a subdivision that was created pursuant to the standards of the zoning code and subdivision code in effect at the time of its creation, but
209	no longer complies due to subsequent changes to these codes, may be amended
210211	pursuant to the minimum standards in effect at the time of its creation. The amendment shall not create any new lots. An amended plat shall be required.
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Sec. 108-12-12. Enlarging nonconforming lots.

Nonconforming lots may be reconfigured in a manner that complies with the standards of the zone in effect at the time of the lot's creation if the reconfiguration does not create any more lots than currently exist. The reconfiguration shall not cause any other lot to become nonconforming or more nonconforming. If the nonconforming lot is part of a platted subdivision an amended subdivision plat is required.

Sec. 108-12-13. Setback requirements for nonconforming lots..

A nonconforming lot that has a smaller width than is required for the zone in which it is located may be developed in a manner that does not exceed the following allowed reduction in side yard setbacks:

- (1) A nonconforming lot's actual width (v) may be divided by the current required frontage/width (w) in order to formulate a ratio or proportional relation (x). (Formula: "v" divided by "w" equals "x.")
- (2) The ratio may then be multiplied by the current zone's side yard setback requirement (y) in order to establish a reduced setback (z). (Formula: "x" multiplied by "y" equals "z".)
- (3) The reduced side yard setback is subject to the conditions listed below.
 - a. Under no circumstances shall an interior lot be allowed to reduce the sideyard setback requirement below five feet on one side and eight feet on the other.
 - b. Under no circumstances shall a corner lot be allowed to reduce the sideyard requirement below ten feet when the side yard fronts on a street.

Sec. 108-12-14. Parcels previously combined for tax purposes.

- (a) Parcels that have been combined by the county recorder's office for tax purposes shall be allowed to separate one or more of the combined parcels on an approved and recorded form if:
 - (1) The parcels that are being separated were originally created prior to July 1, 1992;
 - (2) The properties as configured prior to the combination met area and frontage/width requirements for the zone in which they were created, or were considered nonconforming lots;

249	(3) The combination was done by the current owner or same owner acting as trustee, and
250	was done by a quit claim, combination form, or other instrument, which states the
251	consolidation of parcels is for tax purposes;
252	(4) No new lots are being created; and
253	(5) The separation of parcels results in a configuration consistent with the original parcels
254	and conforms to the ordinance that was in place prior to the recording of the combination
255	form, and the resulting lots conform with the provisions of Section 108-12-11.
256	(b) The separation of combined parcels authorized under this Section does not authorize a change
257	in the configuration of an approved and recorded subdivision or lots within such subdivision.
258	Any change to the configuration of a subdivision must comply with Title 106 of the Land Use
259	Code, and any applicable state law.
260	Sec. 108-12-15. Effect of Public Right of Way Expansion.
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261 262 263 264	(a) Any structure that legally existed with conforming or nonconforming setback prior to the expansion of a public right of way where the expansion of such public right of way makes the structure noncomplying or more noncomplying to the setback requirements of this Land Use Code, shall be deemed a legal, noncomplying structure.
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Notice of Effect Public Right of Way Expansion of Street Name

Legal Description

SEE EXHBIT A

RE: Potential Nonconformity on Land Due to the Expansion of the Street Name Right of Way, as part of Project Number and Description.
The parcel of land with the Land Serial Number # is currently zoned ZONE (ZONE SYMBOL).
This notice is intended to document how the above specified right of way expansion project affects the subject property. If the property legally existed in a conforming or legal nonconforming status prior to the expansion of the public right of way, and the expansion of the public right of way has made the lot or parcel nonconforming or more nonconforming to the lot standards of the subject property's zone, the property shall be deemed <u>legal</u> , even though nonconforming. Any further development of it shall be allowed pursuant to and in compliance with Weber County Code §108-12, and other applicable local, state, and federal laws. The same consideration will be given for structures affected by the expansion of a public right of way; if the setbacks are made noncomplying or more noncomplying the structure shall be deemed <u>legal</u> , even though noncomplying.
Note: This notice does not excuse or exempt any past or future action that creates or modifies a lot, parcel, or structure in a manner that is in violation of applicable laws.
Dated thisday of, 20
Sean Wilkinson Planning Director
STATE OF UTAH) :ss
COUNTY OF WEBER)
On theday of, 20, personally appeared before methe signer(s) of the foregoing instrument, who duly acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same.
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The proposed edits fall Weber County Land Use Code Revision Process Workflow here

This flowchart is intended to illustrate the intended course of the revision process. It is not an absolute plan, and deviations may occur as more information is gathered, but it will provide the Planning Commission with an idea where we are in the process at any given time. Staff will refer to this structure regularly.

