

MEMORANDUM

To: Western Weber Planning Commission

From: Charles Ewert, AICP Date: December 28, 2017

Subject: Work session for proposed cluster subdivision amendments

Planning Commissioners,

In our last meeting we held a hearing to discuss desired changes to the cluster subdivision ordinance. The attached proposal is not complete. I still need to re-tool the bonus density section. Since this section is not applicable to the Ogden Valley I suggest reviewing the proposal in its incomplete state to determine whether the portions that are completed are acceptable.

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CHAPTER 3. - CLUSTER SUBDIVISIONS

Sec. 108-3-1. — Purpose and Intent.

The purpose of this chapter is to provide flexible development standards to landowners that are committed to developing safe, attractive, conservation oriented neighborhoods that are thoughtfully designed and arranged in a manner that considers, gives deference to, and ultimately protects natural topography, environmentally sensitive areas, wildlife habitat, and agriculturally productive lands. It is intended to benefit those that create cluster subdivisions by offering an inherent gain in the form of reduced infrastructure costs and the possibility for a substantial increase in residential density in the Western Weber Planning Area. It is equally intended to benefit the residents of Weber County by promoting public welfare through the reduction of long-term infrastructure maintenance costs and the permanent preservation of the county's functional open spaces, picturesque landscapes, and rural character.

Sec. 108-3-2. - General regulations.

Subject to the requirements of this chapter, cluster subdivisions are permitted in all classified Weber County zone areaszones except for the commercial, manufacturing, gravel, residential mobile home, open space, and shoreline zones.

Sec. 108-3-3. - Approval Supplemental subdivision procedure procedural requirements.

- (a) <u>Subdivision procedures and requirements apply.</u> All procedures and requirements of Title 106 shall apply to a cluster subdivision unless there is a conflict or supplement in this chapter, in which case the provisions of this chapter shall prevail.
- (b) Conceptual sketch plan. The In addition to the subdivision procedure requirements of Title 106, the cluster subdivision approval procedure requires a conceptual sketch plan endorsement from the planning commission prior to the submission of a formal subdivision application. An application for a conceptual sketch plan endorsement shall demonstrate compliance with all applicable standards contained within the Weber County Code. The completed application must be submitted at least 21 calendar days prior to the planning commission meeting at which the applicant wishes to be heard. Endorsement from the planning commission is only a means to assist in the creation of a complete subdivision application and shall not vest for final approval. The application is complete upon submission of the following: consists of four phases as follows:
- (1) A conceptual sketch plan endorsement from the appropriate planning area planning commission;
- 36 (2) A preliminary approval by the appropriate planning area planning commission;
 - (3) A recommendation from the appropriate planning area planning commission for final approval by the board of county commissioners; and
 - (4) A final approval and acceptance by the board of county commissioners.
 - (b) An application for a conceptual sketch plan endorsement shall demonstrate compliance with all applicable standards contained within the Weber County Code. The completed application must be submitted at least 14 calendar days prior to the planning commission

43 meeting at which the applicant wishes to be heard. The application is complete upon submission of the following:

- (1) Payment of a fee, as required by title 16, chapter 2 of the Weber County Code of Ordinances, and submission of a complete sketch plan endorsement application on a form provided by the county planning department.
- (2) One 8.5-inch by 11-inch vicinity map, underlain by an aerial photo, showing the subject property, surrounding streets, and relevant landmarks.
- (3) One 11-inch by 17-inch conceptual plan, drawn at a reasonable scale, that demonstrates in a suitable manner compliance with all applicable codes. The plan shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, a north arrow and scale, subdivision boundary according to county records, approximate locations of proposed streets, lots with approximate area calculations, common areas and open space parcels with approximate area calculations, easements, waterways, suspected wetlands, floodplains, existing structures, and contour lines. Information related to topography and contour lines may be submitted on a separate map. Contour information may be omitted if the planning director or his designee determines that the subject property lacks topographic characteristics that warrant representation.
- (4) An electronic copy of all forms, documents, materials, and information submitted as part of the application.
- (de) Preliminary and final cluster subdivision application.
 - (1) <u>Preliminary cluster subdivision approval.</u> An application for <u>A submission for preliminary cluster subdivision approval shall:</u>
 - a. conform to the endorsed sketch plan;
 - b. contain an open space plan, as required in Section 108-3-5.
 - 1. The planning commission's approval of a preliminary plat shall constitute approval of the open space plan.
 - 2. An open space plan may be amended, from time to time, after submittal of a new application and application fee.
 - 3. An amendment shall be in compliance with applicable laws and shall require the approval of the planning commission.
 - 4. An open space plan amendment shall not require a subdivision plat amendment provided the resulting plan does not conflict with any part of the plat, including parcel and lot boundaries, subdivision boundaries, and plat notes.
 - (2) Final cluster subdivision approval. A submission for final cluster subdivision approval shall conform to the approval of the preliminary cluster subdivision approval. If applicable, submission shall also include final Conditions, Covenants, and Restrictions or Homeowner's Association Declaration that clearly explain the maintenance method for each common area parcel, as required by this chapter or any condition of preliminary cluster subdivision approval. Submission shall also include drafts of any other relevant instrument required for the execution of applicable provisions of this Land Use Code.
- -by the appropriate planning commission, recommendation for final approval, or final approval and acceptance by the board of county commissioners shall comply with all applicable standards

of the Weber County Land Use Code, including this chapter and title 106, Subdivisions. The approval process shall proceed as directed by Weber County Land Use Code title 106, chapter 1.

- Sec. 108-3-4. Cluster subdivision design and layout standards.
- The planning commission and county commission shall approve an application for a cluster subdivision if the planning commission and county commission find that the subject proposal meets all applicable standards of the Weber County Land Use Code, including the following:
- (a 1) <u>General cluster and open space design.</u> A cluster subdivision's general design shall concentrate residential building lots, with their adjoining road rights-of-way and any approved access exceptions alternative access, if applicable, into separate and individual clusters that are entirely surrounded by open space dedicated as common area, individually owned preservation parcels, or both.
- (b) Specific open space requirements. The open space area in between one cluster of lots and another cluster, or one cluster of lots and the subdivision boundary, shall not be less than 75–100 feet [c1]in width, and the open space area in between lots and an exterior subdivision boundary shall not be less than 50 feet in width. The open space required in between a lots and a cluster subdivision's exterior boundary shall be waived if:
 - (1)a. ALots lot sharing a common lot line with one or more of the its subdivision's boundariesy contains 15,000 square feet or more;
 - (2) b. ALots lot are is located along an internal phasing line as approved as part of the preliminary plat approval when that phasing line is acting as a temporary external boundary;
 - (3) e. Another 2 lot that is no more than 5,000 square feet larger exists outside the cluster subdivision's boundaries but within 500 feet of the lot to which the waiver is applied. If the open space requirement is waived in this manner for any lot in the cluster subdivision then each lot within the same cluster shall have the open space required between it and the cluster subdivision's exterior boundary waived; The proposed cluster subdivision lies adjacent to an existing subdivision that contains at least one lot that is smaller or not more than 5,000 square feet larger than the smallest lot lying within the proposed cluster subdivision; or
 - (4) d. A Llots located along an external boundary lies adjacent to a parcel that:
 - a. 1. Does not contain an existing dwelling; or
 - <u>b. 2.</u> Contains a single existing dwelling that lies further than 150 feet away from all external boundaries of the proposed cluster subdivision.
 - (5) In applying any provision from (1)-(4) [3] of this subsection, no open space parcel shall be allowed to be an island that is disconnected or noncontiguous with other open space parcels or a public or private street.
- (c2) <u>Specific cluster requirements.</u> In a subdivision consisting of 60 or more lots, each cluster shall contain no less than three lots and no more than 20 lots. In a subdivision consisting of fewer than 60 lots, each cluster shall contain no less than three lots and no more than one-third of the total number of lots in the subdivision. The county may approve up to a five lot increase in the number of lots in a cluster if:

- 130 The total number of lots cannot be equally divided into thirds and leaves a remaining number of lots that does not meet the standard for the minimum number of lots in a cluster; or
 - (2) b. There are unusual circumstances, such as complications involving topography, infrastructure, geotechnical, or geologic conditions, which warrant an increase.
 - (3) To ensure that a cluster subdivision reflects the characteristics of the zone in which it is located, a minimum percentage of a cluster subdivision's adjusted gross acreage shall be preserved as open space and dedicated as described in subsection (1) capabove. The minimum open space areas are as follows:
 - a. In the Forest (F-40) Zone, a minimum of 90 percent of a cluster subdivision shall be preserved as open space.
 - b. In the Forest (F-5) and Forest (F-10) Zones, a minimum of 80 percent of a cluster subdivision shall be preserved as open space.
 - c. In the Agricultural Valley (AV-3), Forest Valley (FV-3), and the Ogden Valley Destination and Recreation Resort (DRR-1) Zones, a minimum of 60 percent of a cluster subdivision shall be preserved as open space.
 - d. In all other zones where a cluster subdivision is an allowed development type a minimum of 30 percent of a cluster subdivision shall be preserved as open space.
 - (d 4) <u>Sensitive lands requirements.</u> Cluster subdivisions in or on sensitive lands shall be governed as follows:
 - (1) Lands that can be mitigated such as floodplain and wetlands are considered developable for the purpose of calculating adjusted gross acreage, as defined in Section 101-1-7 and shall be counted towards density.
 - (2) Floodways within river corridors, lakes, and naturally occurring pond areas, which could not be are not developed developable but are offered as a community provide an amenity on an open space parcel with public access and a blanket public access easement, may shall also be a part of the open space, with receive 25 percent of this land of the undevelopable acreage credited towards to the adjusted gross acreage calculation for overall density of the development. if this land is used to provide amenities and is accessible to the development.
 - (3) Regardless of developability, areas designated as floodplain, as defined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency or other qualified professional determined appropriate by the county engineer, rivers and streams, with and including their designated river or stream corridor setbacks, as defined by the Weber County Land Use Code, shall be located within a cluster subdivision's open space area.
 - (5) Areas designated as floodplain, as defined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency or other qualified professional determined appropriate by the county engineer, rivers and streams, with and including their designated river or stream corridor setbacks, as defined by the Weber County Land Use Code, shall be located within a cluster subdivision's open space area.
 - Sec. 108-3-5. Open space plan [c5] approval, ownership, maintenance, preservation, and guarantee of improvement standards. and development standards. [c6]

Open space parcels, and any improvements proposed thereon, shall be approved, owned, maintained, preserved, and financially guaranteed as follows:

- (a) Open space plan submittal (1) Plan approval. An open space preservation plan shall accompany an application for preliminary and final subdivision approval. Preliminary subdivision approval constitutes approval of the open space plan. A final plat shall comply with the approved open space plan. approval of a cluster subdivision. The open space plan shall include the following:
 - (1) An overall cluster subdivision map identifying all open space areas and open space area amenities.
 - (2) A site plan that identifies the open space parcel ownership types specified in (b)(5) of this section each proposed ownership type shall be identified with a unique color; and the locations of existing and proposed future structures and other open space amenities.
 - a. For open space that will be common area parcels, the site plan shall show the location of existing and future structures by identifying the structure's footprint. Structures housing a subdivision utility or serving as a subdivision amenity shall be subject to all applicable standards including all design review and applicable architectural standards found in title 108 of the Weber County Land Use Code.
 - b. For open space that will be gifted as a park parcel to a local park district, the site plan shall include all park improvements and be accompanied by a letter of approval from the local park district.
 - c. For open space that will be an individually owned preservation parcel whereon a building will be located, the site plan shall identify a locatable building envelope, as defined in Section 101-1-7, within which all existing and future buildings shall be located.
 - (3) Aa narrative describing all proposed open space parcels, their proposed method of ownership, their proposed method of maintenance, all their proposed uses, and any proposed building envelopes.
 - (4) A written explanation of the proposed method of maintenance of all open space parcels. This may be included in the written narrative. However, an open space plan with a common area parcel or parcels shall be submitted with proposed Conditions, Covenants, and Restrictions or Homeowner's Association Declaration that clearly explains the maintenance method for each common area parcel. At a minimum, the document shall explain vegetation grooming practices, weed mitigation, and refuse disposal.
 - (5) The phasing of open space parcels and their relationship to the overall subdivision phasing plan, if any.

, and maintenance methods for all open space parcels, and

- a site plan that shows proposed common areas, individually owned preservation parcels, and the locations of existing and proposed future structures.
 - a. For open space dedicated as common area parcels, the site plan shall show the location of existing and future structures by identifying the structure's footprint. Structures housing a subdivision utility or serving as a subdivision amenity shall be subject to all applicable standards including all design review and applicable architectural standards found in title 108 of the Weber County Land Use Code.

b. For open space dedicated as individually owned preservation parcels, the site plan 218 shall identify locatable building envelopes within which all existing and future buildings 219 220 must be located. 221 (b) Open space development standards and ownership regulations. Unless otherwise provided for in this section, open spaces and the specific open space parcels shall be developed in a 222 manner that meets all applicable standards, including but not limited to those found in the 223 this Land Use Code. 224 (1) Minimum total open space required. A minimum percentage of a cluster subdivision's 225 adjusted gross acreage, as defined in Section 101-1-7, shall be preserved as open 226 space. The minimum open space areas are as follows: 227 In the Forest (F-40) Zone, a minimum of 90 percent of a cluster subdivision shall 228 be preserved as open space. 229 230 In the Forest (F-5) and Forest (F-10) Zones, a minimum of 80 percent of a cluster subdivision shall be preserved as open space. 231 c. In the Agricultural Valley (AV-3), Forest Valley (FV-3), and the Ogden Valley 232 Destination and Recreation Resort (DRR-1) Zones, a minimum of 60 percent of a 233 cluster subdivision shall be preserved as open space. 234 d. In all other zones where a cluster subdivision is an allowed development type a 235 minimum of 30 percent of a cluster subdivision shall be preserved as open space. 236 (2) Open space parcel area. Unless otherwise regulated by the Weber-Morgan Health 237 238 Department or Weber County Land Use Code title 108, chapter 14, Hillside Development Review Procedures and Standards, the minimum area for an open space 239 parcel located within a cluster subdivision is as follows: 240 a. An open space parcel designated as common area is not subject to minimum area 241 requirements. 242 b. An open space parcel conveyed to a local park district shall be of a sufficient size 243 to adequately accommodate park infrastructure, amenities, and parking. 244 Open space parcels dedicated as individually owned preservation parcels 245 shall contain an area of not less than five acres and shall be part of a contiguous 246 247 area of open space parcels consisting of not less than ten acres in total; and shall be in compliance with the following: 248 1. [c9] Open space parcels form a contiguous area if each open space parcel 249 shares a common boundary line that is no less than 100 linear feet or lies 250 directly across a street right-of-way, or other approved access, from another 251 open space parcel, with the common boundaries shared with the street right-252 253 of-way being no less than 100 linear feet. 2. The ten acre minimum contiguous area does not need to be platted in the 254 same subdivision. 255 256 3. Each individually owned open space parcel shall be provided clear and perpetual legal access from a public or private street right of way. [c10] 257 (3) Parcel width, frontage, and access. Notwithstanding section 106-2-4(c) and title 108, 258 chapter 14. Hillside Development Review Procedures and Standards, and unless 259 otherwise regulated by the Weber-Morgan Health Department, open space parcels 260

located within a cluster subdivision are not subject to frontage requirements and do not

have a minimum width standard other than the standard described in section 108-3-262 4(b) and 108-3-5(b)(2). [c11]All open space parcels without street frontage shall be 263 provided an access easement across other parcels to a public or private street. [c12] 264 265 (4) Parcel coverage. 266 a. Coverage of common area parcels by roofed structures shall not exceed ten percent of the total parcel area. 267 b. Coverage of individually owned preservation parcels by roofed structures shall not 268 exceed two and a half percent [c13] of the total parcel area. 269 (52) Open space parcel Oownership. 270 Common area parcel. An open space parcels dedicated as common area shall 271 be commonly owned by an appropriate homeowner's association established 272 273 under U.C.A. 1953, § 57-8a-101 et seq., the Community Association Act. 274 b. Park parcel. An open space parcel may be conveyed to a local park district, as approved by the park district. 275 c. Individually owned open space parcel. An open space parcels may be owned as 276 an individually owned preservation parcel in accordance with the following: 277 An Individually owned preservation parcels of ten acres or more in area may 278 be owned by any person, regardless of whether the person owns a residential 279 lot within the subdivision. 280 An individually owned preservation parcels of less than ten acres in area may 281 only be owned by an owner of a lot within the same cluster subdivision. 282 The applicable ownership standard for an individually owned preservation 283 parcel in subsection (2)a.1. or 2. shall [c14] be memorialized in the following 284 manner: 285 An explanation of the applicable ownership standard and a perpetual 286 restriction conforming thereto shall be written into all agriculture, forest, or 287 other type of preservation easements granted pursuant to subsection (4e) 288 of this section; [c15] and 289 290 A note describing the applicable ownership standard shall be placed on the final recorded plat. 291 4. In order to keep an individually owned preservation parcel from becoming 292 unconducive to multiple-acreage preservation uses, an individually owned 293 294 preservation parcel shall not be sectioned into sub-areas of five acres or less by fencing or other physical barriers. The planning commission may modify 295 this requirement for uses that support the longevity of the preservation. 296 297 maintenance, and large-acreage use of the parcel. 298 (c)[c16] Open space phasing. If development phasing is proposed and approved during preliminary cluster subdivision approval, the percent of open space of the overall platted 299 acreage shall at no time be less than the percent of proposed open space approved in the 300 open space plan. 301 Maintenance. The open space parcel owner, whether an individual or an association, 302 (d3)303 shall use, manage, and maintain the owner's parcel in a manner that is consistent with the

open space preservation plan approved under subsection (1), and the agriculture, forest, or other type of preservation easement executed under subsection (4).

(4e) Preservation.

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- (1)a. Open space parcels are to be permanently preserved in a manner that is consistent with the approved open space preservation plan.
- (2)b. The applicant, prior to recording or as part of recording the final cluster subdivision plat, shall grant and convey to the county, to each lot owner, and to the homeowner association, if applicable, an open space easement over all areas dedicated as common area or individually owned preservation parcels. The open space easement shall incorporate and conform to the open space preservation plan approved under subsection (1).
- (3)e. If a cluster subdivision contains open space intended to preserve substantial or crucial wildlife habitat, as defined by the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, a wildlife habitat easement meeting the requirements of the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources shall be offered to the division.
- (4)d. If a cluster subdivision contains an individually owned preservation parcel, the applicant shall:
 - 4<u>a</u>. Identify and label on the final plat each such parcel as an agricultural, forest, or other type of preservation parcel;
 - 2b. Further identify each preservation parcel by placing a unique identifying letter of the alphabet immediately after the label;
 - 3c. Present an agricultural, forest, or other type of preservation easement to the planning commission and gain their approval; and
 - 4d. Record an approved preservation easement on each parcel identified as an agricultural, forest, or other type of preservation parcel.
- (5)e. The planning commission may impose any additional conditions and restrictions it deems necessary to ensure maintenance of the open space and adherence to the open space preservation plan. Such conditions may include a plan for the disposition or re-use of the open space property if the open space is not maintained in the manner agreed upon or is abandoned by the owners.
- (5f) Guarantee of open space improvements.
 - (1)a. The county shall not require an applicant to deposit a financial guarantee for open space improvements (e.g., clubhouse, pool, pergola, gazebo, etc.) that require a certificate of occupancy and that remain incomplete at the time of final approval—and acceptance of the proposed cluster subdivision from the board of county commissioners. The applicant or developer shall complete the improvements according to the approved phasing component of an open space preservation plan. If the applicant fails to complete improvements as presented in the open space preservation plan, the county may suspend final plat approvals and record an instrument notifying prospective lot buyers that future land use permits may not be issued for any construction.
 - (2)b. The county shall require an applicant to deposit a financial guarantee of improvements, as provided in Section 106-4-3, for all open space improvements (e.g., landscaping, trails, fencing, sheds, parking surfaces, etc.) that do not require a

certificate of occupancy and that remain incomplete at the time of final <u>plat</u> approval. and acceptance of the proposed cluster subdivision from the board of county commissioners. The applicant or developer shall complete all improvements according to the approved phasing component of <u>an-the</u> open space preservation plan.

- Sec. 108-3-6. Reserved[c17]. Open space parcel development standards.
- Unless otherwise provided for in this section, open space parcels shall be developed in a
 manner that meets all applicable standards, including but not limited to those found in the
 Weber County Land Use Code. Open space parcels shall adhere to the following specific site
 development standards:
 - (1) Parcel area. Unless otherwise regulated by the Weber-Morgan Health Department or Weber County Land Use Code title 108, chapter 14, Hillside Development Review Procedures and Standards, the minimum area for an open space parcel located within a cluster subdivision is as follows:
 - a. Open space parcels dedicated as common area are not subject to minimum area requirements.
 - b. Open space parcels dedicated as individually owned preservation parcels shall contain an area of not less than three acres.
 - 1. The minimum area of an individually owned preservation parcel may be reduced to not less than one acre if the preservation parcel is part of a contiguous area of open space parcels consisting of not less than three acres in total. Open space parcels form a contiguous area if each open space parcel in the area shares a common boundary line with another open space parcel or lies directly across a road right-of-way, or other approved access, from another open space parcel.
 - 2. Parcels containing less than five acres are not agricultural parcels for purposes of agricultural exemptions granted by the Weber County Land Use Code.
 - (2) Parcel width. Notwithstanding section 106-2-4(c) and title 108, chapter 14, Hillside Development Review Procedures and Standards, and unless otherwise regulated by the Weber-Morgan Health Department, open space parcels located within a cluster subdivision are not subject to frontage requirements and do not have a minimum width standard other than the standard described in section 108-3-4(1).
- 378 (3) Parcel coverage.
- a. Coverage of common area parcels by roofed structures shall not exceed ten percent of the
 total parcel area.
- b. Coverage of individually owned preservation parcels by roofed structures shall not exceed five[c18] percent of the total parcel area.
 - Sec. 108-3-7. Lot development standards.

Unless otherwise provided for in this section, residential building lots shall be developed in a manner that meets all applicable standards, including but not limited to those found in the Weber County Land Use Code. The following specific site development standards apply to lots in cluster subdivisions:

- (1) Lot area.
 - a. Unless otherwise regulated by the Weber-Morgan Health Department or Weber County Land Use Code, title 108, chapter 14, Hillside Development Review

Procedures and Standards, a lot located within a cluster subdivision shall contain 391 an area of not less than 15,000 square feet. 392 b. A lot's minimum area is reduced to 69,000 [c19] square feet if: 393 The lot is located 50 feet or more from its own cluster subdivision boundary, 394 not including those boundaries formed by existing streets or internal phasing 395 lines if the phasing lines act as a temporary external boundary: 396 397 The lot lies within a cluster subdivision that is adjacent to an existing subdivision that contains at least one lot that is smaller or not more than 5,000 398 399 square feet larger than the smallest lot lying within the subject cluster subdivision; or 400 The lot lies within a cluster subdivision that is adjacent to an undeveloped 401 parcel. A parcel is considered undeveloped if it: 402 Does not contain an existing dwelling; or i. 403 Contains an existing dwelling that lies further than 150 feet away from all 404 ii. 405 external boundaries of the proposed or subject cluster subdivision. 406 (2) Lot width. Unless otherwise regulated by the Weber-Morgan Health Department or Weber County Land Use Code, title 108, chapter 14, Hillside Development Review 407 Procedures and Standards, the minimum lot width in a cluster subdivision is: 408 a. One hundred feet in the Forest (F-40) and the Forest (F-10) Zones. 409 Eighty feet in the Forest Residential (FR-1), Forest (F-5), Agricultural Valley (AV-410 3), and the Forest Valley (FV-3) Zones. 411 Sixty feet in the Residential Estates (RE-15 and RE-20) and Agricultural (A-1, A-2, 412 and A-3) Zones. 413 d. Fifty feet in the Forest Residential (FR-3) and the Ogden Valley Destination and 414 Recreation Resort (DRR-1) Zone. 415 Yard setbacks for dwellings. The Mminimum yard setbacks for dwellings in a cluster 416 (3)417 subdivision are as follows: 20 feet Front: Side: Dwellina: 8 feet 8 feet: except one foot if located at least six feet Accessory building: in rear of dwelling. Accessory building over 1.000 square

See Section 108-7-16

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Front: 20 feet. [c20]

Corner lot side facing street:

Side: 8 feet.

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(4) Dwelling Building height. The maximum height for dwellings a building in a cluster subdivision is 40 feet as follows:

Dwelling	40 feet
Accessory building	<u>30 feet</u>

Sec. 108-3-8. - Bonus density.

The county may, in its discretion, allow for an increased number of residential lots by awarding bonus densities to those cluster subdivisions developed within the Western Weber County Planning Area. Cluster subdivisions within the Ogden Valley Planning Area are not eligible for bonus densities. The following presents the bonus density opportunities that are available to cluster subdivisions located within specific zoning boundaries:

- (1) In the Forest (F-40) Zones, the county may award a maximum bonus density of 20 percent based on an accumulation of any combination of the following:
 - a. If the cluster subdivision meets the purpose and intent of this chapter, up to a five percent bonus may shall be granted.
 - b. If the cluster subdivision provides a minimum of one road stub to an adjacent property where the planning commission determines that streets are needed to provide for current or future traffic circulation, up to a five percent bonus density may be granted.
 - c. If the cluster subdivision provides a minimum of one approved public access to public lands, up to a five percent bonus density may be granted.
 - d. If the cluster subdivision provides common area that offers easily accessible amenities, such as a trail, park, or community garden, that are open for use by the general public, up to a five percent bonus density may be granted.
 - e. If the cluster subdivision dedicates and conveys to the county, the state division of wildlife resources, or both, an open space easement that permanently preserves areas that have been identified by the state division of wildlife resources as having substantial or crucial wildlife habitat value, up to a 15 percent bonus density may be granted.
- (2) In the Agricultural (A-1, A-2, and A-3) Zones, the county may grant a bonus density of up to 50 percent if the applicant preserves an open space percentage above that required by section 108-3-4(3)d; otherwise, the county may grant a bonus density of up to 30 percent. Overall bonus density potential shall be no greater than a percentage equal to the percentage of the subdivision's total area preserved as open space. The county may award bonus densities based on an accumulation of any combination of the following:
 - If a cluster subdivision meets the purpose and intent of this chapter, up to a ten percent bonus may be granted.
 - b. If a cluster subdivision provides and implements an approved roadway landscape and design plan that includes, but is not necessarily limited to, vehicle and pedestrian circulation, lighting, and street trees of an appropriate species, size of

- at least a two-inch caliper, and quantity of not less than eight trees for every 100 feet of road length, up to 20 percent bonus density may be granted. c. For each five percent increment of open space preserved over 50 percent: a five percent bonus density shall be granted up to the total bonus density allowed by subsection (3). If a cluster subdivision provides a minimum of one approved access to public lands, up to a ten percent bonus density may be granted. If a cluster subdivision provides common area that offers easily accessible
 - e. If a cluster subdivision provides common area that offers easily accessible amenities such as trails, parks, or community gardens, that are open for use by the general public, up to a 15 percent bonus density may be granted.
 - f. If ten percent of the lots and homes in a cluster subdivision are permanently set aside for affordable housing as outlined by the Affordable Housing Act of 1990, up to a 20 percent bonus density may be granted.

If a bonus density is granted for affordable housing, the applicant shall:

- Present and gain Planning Commission approval of an effective plan and method for guaranteeing and enforcing perpetual affordability. Any method used, such as an affordable housing deed restriction, shall limit the sale or rental of the affected lots and homes to a household with an income at or below 80 percent of the county median income;
- 2. Identify and label, on the final plat, the lots set aside as affordable housing Lots; and
- 3. Provide a note on the final plat explaining the nature of the housing restriction on the lot and the method by which occupancy and affordability will be regulated.
- g. If a cluster subdivision preserves an agricultural parcel with an agriculturally based open space preservation plan approved by the planning commission and records an agricultural preservation easement on the parcel, a bonus density may be approved as follows:
 - 1. For a parcel containing at least ten acres but fewer than 20 acres, up to a 15 percent bonus density may be granted.
 - 2. For a parcel containing at least 20 acres but fewer than 30 acres, up to a 20 percent bonus density may be granted.
 - 3. For a parcel containing at least 30 acres but fewer than 40 acres, up to a 30 percent bonus density may be granted.
 - 4. For a parcel containing at least 40 acres but fewer than 50 acres, up to a 40 percent bonus density may be granted if the parcel standing alone is greater than the minimum open space requirement for the subdivision.
 - 5. For a parcel containing at least 50 acres or more, up to a 50 percent bonus density may be granted if the parcel standing alone is greater than the minimum open space requirement for the subdivision.
- h. If a cluster subdivision provides for the preservation of historical sites and buildings that have been identified by the state historic preservation office as having notable historical value, up to a five percent bonus density may be granted.

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If a cluster subdivision provides for the development of excess sewage treatment 503 capacity, up to a five percent bonus density may be granted. 504 If a cluster subdivision dedicates and conveys to the county, the state division of 505 j. 506 wildlife resources, or both, an open space easement that permanently preserves areas that have been identified by the state division of wildlife resources as having 507 substantial or crucial wildlife habitat value, up to a 15 percent bonus density may 508 be granted. 509 k. If a cluster subdivision includes an open space parcel that consists of five acres or 510 511 more and is contiguous to permanently preserved open space on an adjoining property located outside of the cluster subdivision, up to a 20 percent bonus 512 density may be granted. 513 Sec. 108-3-9. - Homeowners association required. 514 515 In order to provide for proper management and maintenance of commonly owned areas and private improvements, all cluster subdivisions with such areas or improvements are 516 required to have a homeowners association. The applicant, prior to recording a final plat of the 517 cluster subdivision, shall: 518 (1) Establish a homeowners association and submit for the county's review the necessary 519 520 articles of incorporation, bylaws, and declaration of covenants, conditions, and 521 restrictions that provide for: 522 a. Compliance with Utah State Code: 523 b. The reason and purpose for the association's existence; 524 C. Mandatory membership for each lot or home owner and their successors in interest: 525 The perpetual nature of the easements related to all dedicated open space 526 527 parcels; Responsibilities related to liability, taxes, and the maintenance of recreational and 528 529 other infrastructure and facilities: Financial obligations and responsibilities, including the ability to adjust the 530 obligations and responsibilities due to change in needs: 531 g. Association enforcement remedies; and 532

h. A notification of the county's ability to enforce the terms of the owner's dedication

(2) Register the homeowners association with the State of Utah, Department of

on the subdivision dedication plat.

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