

**NOTICE OF OPEN RECORD PUBLIC HEARING
SEQUIM MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS TO SMC 18.57.020**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Sequim Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on amendments to SMC 18. 57.020(D)(3) of the City's Downtown Districts code at **6:00 p.m. March 2, 2021.**

The Planning Commission will make a recommendation to the City Council. The City Council is the decision-making authority for the draft code amendment. Hearing procedures are available from the Department of Community Development.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: To encourage residential development the Downtown Core (DC) zoning district, the City is proposing to amend its current regulations to allow ground floor residential development in the DC zone, except for those properties abutting Washington Street where such development would be limited to the rear 40 percent of a commercial building or in a rear, secondary building.

Environmental Review (SEPA): The proposed text amendments will result in no substantive changes respecting use or modification of the environment; therefore, the proposal is categorically exempt pursuant to WAC 197-11-800(19)(b).

DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF HEARING: The hearing at 6:00 p.m. March 2, 2021 will be held virtually due to public health concerns arising from the COVID-19 emergency. **The public can attend the hearing online, or by telephone.**

Website for Audio Streaming: <https://zoom.us/j/96100370168>

Phone Number for Audio: (253) 215-8782

Webinar ID: 961 0037 0168

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Persons wishing to comment on the proposed amendments may submit written or oral comments which will be accepted up to, and any time prior to, the closing of the public hearing. Public comments should be as specific as possible and submitted to the City as early as possible. Written public comment can be sent to Tim Woolett at twoolett@sequimwa.gov, or by regular mail to the Sequim Department of Community Development, 152 W. Cedar St., Sequim, WA 98382. Instruction on how to provide oral public comment will be provided during the meeting. Any person has the right to comment on the proposed amendments, receive notice of and participate in any hearings, request a copy of the decision once made, and may appeal the decision. The file may be viewed online at <https://www.sequimwa.gov/471/Current-Projects>.

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