# TITLE 9

# LAND USE CODE

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This Title shall be known and cited as the TETONIA LAND USE CODE. (Ord. 2008-4)

### 9-1-2: AUTHORITY

This Title is adopted pursuant to authority granted by title 67, chapter 65 and title 50, chapter 13; and title 31, chapter 7, of the Idaho Code, article 12, section 2, Idaho Constitution, as amended or subsequently codified. In the interpretation and application of this Title, the provisions contained herein are declared to be minimum requirements. (Ord. 2008-4)

### 9-1-3: PURPOSE

The purpose of this Title is to promote the orderly development of the city and the area of impact of the city; to conserve and stabilize the value of property; and otherwise to promote public health, safety, convenience, morals and general welfare of the people of Tetonia; and, to avoid undue concentration of population. It is the intent of this Title to regulate the use of land and guide development in the city in harmony with the policies and guidelines of the officially adopted Tetonia Comprehensive Plan and to achieve the following objectives:

- A. Encourage orderly growth and development of land.
  - Mitigate adverse impacts upon the water supply, sewage disposal, public safety and emergency services, educational facilities; and
  - 2. Mitigate the unnecessary imposition of expenditures of public funds for the delivery of such services as listed in Section 9-1-3(A)(2), above.
- B. Encourage proper distribution and compatible integration of agricultural, residential, commercial and manufacturing uses within designated areas and protect these areas from unreasonable intrusion of incompatible uses.
- C. Provide for appropriately located residential areas with opportunities for a variety of dwelling types and densities.
- D. Provide for adequate parking on and off street.
- E. Encourage variety, excellence and creativity in the design of development, preservation of critical open space areas and preservation of the natural beauty of the area.
- F. Provide the manner and form for preparing and processing applications for modification of and variances from zoning regulations.

G. Ensure that additions and alterations to or remodeling of existing buildings or structures is completed in accordance with the restrictions and limitations imposed in this Title. (Ord. 38, 11-5-1984; Ord. 2008-4)

### 9-1-4: VESTING RULE

The vesting (grandfather) rule will apply to all existing lands or businesses as of the date of publication of this code. Owners can operate their farm or business, including the additions of improvements as they now do or until they elect to change to a different land or business classification. Should the land or business pass to the heirs, the grandfather rule will apply unless said heirs elect to enter a different classification. The grandfather rule will apply to the sale of property if the classification and use remain unchanged. (Ord. 2008-4)

### **CHAPTER 2**

### **DEFINITIONS**

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For the purpose of this Title, certain terms are defined as set forth in this Chapter.

All words in the present tense include the future tense; the plural includes the singular, and all words in the singular include the plural, unless the nature of construction of the sentence indicates otherwise.

ABUT: The joining, reaching, or touching of adjoining

land. Abutting pieces of land have a common

boundary.

ACREAGE: Any tract or parcel of land that has not been

subdivided and platted, in common ownership

and having an area of one acre or more.

ACCESSORY BUILDING: A building which is subordinate to and

incidental to the principal building on the same lot, but does not include any building containing

a "dwelling unit," as defined in this Section.

ACCESSORY USE: A use incidental and subordinate to the

principal use of the premises.

ADMINISTRATOR: An official having knowledge of the principles

and practices of zoning who administers this

Title.

ADULT BUSINESS: Establishments based primarily on materials or

performances that depict, describe, or relate to specified sexual activities. Adult businesses must be a minimum distance of one-half (1/2) mile from any church, school, day-care facility, or other organization or use which is primarily intended for individuals under the age of eighteen (18) years old. The distance shall be measured in a direct line from the front door of the adult business to the front door of said

organization or use.

AFFECTED PERSON: One having an interest in real property which

may be adversely affected by the issuance or

denial of a permit.

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AGENT:

A person that legally represents the developer and the owner and such legal authorization shall be on file, in writing, with the administrator.

AGRICULTURE:

A. Land primarily used for farming, dairying, pasturage, cultivation, animal or poultry husbandry and the necessary accessory use for packing, treating or storing produce; provided:

- 1. The operation of any such accessory use shall be secondary and supportive to that of normal agricultural activity; and
- 2. The tract of land is used to produce organic goods for sale or animal feeding from which significant economic gain or saving is derived.
- B. Any agriculture use or uses not herein listed which, in the judgment of the planning and zoning commission, conform to the intent of this definition are allowed.

AGRICULTURAL BUILDING:

A structure designed and constructed to house automobiles, trucks, farm implements, hay, grain, poultry, livestock or other horticultural products. This structure shall not be a place of human habitation, nor shall it be a place used by the public.

APPLICANT:

A person or persons who file an application with the city seeking relief or authority under this Title.

APPLICATION:

A document submitted to the city to apply for a permit to fulfill the requirements of the city code with regard to land use.

AIRPORT:

Any area of land or water which is used or intended for use by aircraft and including the necessary accessory structures or facilities located thereon.

AMUSEMENT FACILITY, INDOOR:

An enclosed facility used for public entertainment, including, but not limited to, bowling alleys, dance halls, theaters and skating rinks.

AMUSEMENT FACILITY, OUTDOOR:

A site, which may contain accessory buildings, used for public entertainment, including, but not limited to, golf courses, drive-in theaters, raceways, riding arenas.

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ANNEXATION AGREEMENT: A contract between the city and property

owner(s). The agreement shall outline general

and specific conditions of the annexation.

ANIMAL CLINICS: Any building or portion thereof designed or

used for the care and treatment of cats, dogs

and other animals.

ANTENNA: Any structure or device used for the purpose of

collecting or transmitting electromagnetic waves, including, but not limited to, directional antennas, such as panels, microwave dishes, and satellite dishes, and multi-directional

antennas, such as whip antennas.

APARTMENT: A rented or leased room or suite of rooms in a

multiple-unit dwelling which is arranged, designed or used as a single housekeeping unit and has complete kitchen and sanitary facilities

permanently installed.

AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR: Premises used primarily for the repair,

rebuilding or reconditioning of motor vehicles or parts thereof, including collision service,

painting and steam cleaning of vehicles.

AUTOMOTIVE SALES: Premises on which new and/or used passenger

automobiles, trailers, mobile homes or trucks in operating condition are displayed in the open

for sale or trade.

AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE STATION: Premises used primarily for the retail sale and

delivery of motor fuel and/or lubricating oils, tires and incidental vehicular lubrication and related services, including motor vehicle repair.

AUTOMOTIVE WRECKING YARD: Any use of premises, excluding fully enclosed

buildings, on which two (2) or more motor vehicles not in operating condition are standing more than thirty (30) days, or on which used motor vehicles, or parts thereof, are dismantled

or stored.

AWNING: Any stationary structure, other than a window

awning, for the purpose of providing shelter from the elements and having a roof with supports and not more than one wall or storage

cabinets substituting for a wall.

BED AND BREAKFAST FACILITY: An owner-occupied facility providing overnight

accommodations and breakfast food service to

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no more than twelve (12) guests at any one time. No cooking shall be allowed in guest rooms and only breakfast food shall be provided to guests. Bath facilities shall be shared by no more than two (2) guest rooms, and one off-street parking space for each guest room and employee shall be provided and

maintained by the applicant.

BICYCLE PARKING RACK:

Secured framing, usually metal, for holding and

locking bicycles.

BLOCK:

A piece of land or group of lots entirely surrounded by public streets, streams. railroads, parks, canals or natural or artificial

boundary, or combination thereof.

**BOARDING HOUSE:** 

A building, other than a hotel or restaurant, where meals and rooms are provided for compensation to three (3) or more persons, but not more than twelve (12) persons, who are unrelated and no cooking or dining facilities are

provided in individual rooms.

**BUILDING:** 

Any structure with substantial walls and roof securely affixed to the land and entirely separated on all sides from any other structure by space or by walls in which there are no communicating doors, windows or opening, which is designed or intended for the shelter, enclosure or protection of persons, animals,

chattels or property of any kind.

BUILDING, DETACHED:

A building surrounded by open space on the same lot as another building.

BUILDING ENVELOPE:

The area on a lot or parcel intended for a building footprint. Ownership of the building envelope is separate from the remaining lot or parcel, which may be owned by a homeowner's association, an individual, partnership or

organization.

BUILDING FOOTPRINT:

The area occupied by a building.

BUILDING, GOVERNMENT:

A building owned or used by the Federal, State, County or city government, or any political subdivision, agency or instrumentality thereof.

BUILDING, NONCONFORMING:

Any building, which does not conform to the

requirements of this Title.

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**BUILDING PERMIT:** 

A permit to be obtained before any construction begins.

BUILDING, PRINCIPAL:

A building in which is conducted the main or principal use of the lot on which said building is situated.

**BUSINESS OR COMMERCE:** 

The purchase, sale, exchange or other transaction involving the handling or disposition of any article, substance or commodity for profit or livelihood, or the ownership or management of office buildings, offices, recreation or amusement enterprises or the maintenance and use of offices or professions and trades rendering service.

CARPORT:

A stationary structure consisting of a roof with its supports and not more than three (3) walls and used for sheltering a motor vehicle.

CEMETERY:

Land used or intended to be used for the burial of human dead and dedicated for cemetery purposes, for which perpetual care and maintenance is provided, including mausoleums if operated in connection with and within the boundaries of said cemetery.

CENTRAL SEWER SYSTEM:

Any system that receives blackwaste or wastewater in volumes exceeding two thousand five hundred (2,500) gallons per day; any system which receives blackwaste or wastewater from more than two (2) dwelling units or more than two (2) buildings under separate ownership.

CHILD-CARE FACILITY:

Any facility where children regularly receive care and supervision, usually unaccompanied by the children's parents, guardians or custodians, and regardless of whether the facility does or does not provide any instruction. This use excludes the case of (a) the operator's children or legal wards or children related by blood or marriage, (b) occasional personal guests, and (c) children aged twelve (12) years and over. Any home, place, or facility providing overnight custodial services for lodging or boarding for the occupants therein shall not be considered a child-care facility.

There are three (3) types of child-care facilities:

- Family Day-Care: A child-care facility for six
   or fewer childrenas an accessory use to residential uses.
- 2. Group Day-Care: A child-care facility for seven (7) to twelve (12) children.
- 3. Day-Care Center: A child-care facility for thirteen (13) or more children.

Tetonia, Idaho, or its city council.

Clerk of the City of Tetonia, Idaho.

The city council of the City of Tetonia, Idaho.

A building used for the care, diagnosis and treatment of ill, infirm or injured person, but which building does not provide board and room or regular hospital care and services.

A development of land consisting of separate residential lots of record where conventional setbacks, lot sizes or density may be varied with adjacent land held in common, usually as open space, and where said common land is maintained by the city, private management or a homeowner's association.

A common area substantially open to the sky which is owned and maintained by a group or association. Building clusters may abut the area without extensive setback requirements.

The plan or any portion thereof, adopted by the city, which includes all land within the jurisdiction of the city.

An affirmative action by the planning and zoning commission indicating that approval will be forthcoming upon satisfaction of certain specified stipulations.

Use of a structure or land in a district even though it is not a principally permitted use in that district. This use requires a "special use permit" from the planning and zoning commission and is subject to the limitations and conditions specified herein and thereon. Also called a conditional use.

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CITY:

CITY CLERK:

CITY COUNCIL:

CLINIC:

CLUSTER HOUSING:

COMMON GREEN:

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

CONDITIONAL APPROVAL:

CONDITIONAL USE:

CONDOMINIUM:

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areas such as hallways and recreational facilities are jointly owned (usually as "tenants in common") by all the unit owners in the building.

**CONVENIENCE STORE:** 

Retail sales of food, beverages and small convenience items typically found in establishments with long or late hours of operation.

COUNTY:

Teton County, Idaho, or its governing board.

COVENANT:

A written promise running with the ownership of a lot in a recorded plat by virtue of its being included in the written documents recorded with and made a part of the plat.

CULVERT:

A drain that channels water under a bridge, street, road or driveway.

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**DEDICATION:** 

The setting apart of land or interests in land for use by the public by ordinance, resolution or entry in the official minutes or by the recording of a plat showing such dedication. Dedicated land becomes public land upon the acceptance by the city council or other governmental unit.

DENSITY:

A unit of measurement; the number of dwelling

units per a specified area of land.

DENSITY GROSS:

The number of dwelling units per acre of the total land to be developed including land dedicated to public use.

DENSITY NET:

The number of dwelling units per acre of land devoted to residential uses only and excluding land dedicated to public use.

**DESIGN REVIEW ORDINANCE:** 

An ordinance to establish basic design standards for new developments and renovations in the city.

**DETENTION FACILITIES:** 

Publicly owned and operated facilities providing housing, care, and supervision for persons confined by law.

**DEVELOPER:** 

A person who subdivides land or an authorized agent of a subdivider.

DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT:

A contract between a developer and the city secured by lien against the real property of the

proposed development.

DEVELOPMENT MASTER PLAN:

A plan for development with platting in progressive stages, as in a subdivision or

planned unit development.

DISTRICT:

A category of land use designated on the

zoning map.

DRIVE-IN:

An establishment, other than an automobile service station. which is designed to accommodate the motor vehicles of patrons in such a manner as to permit the occupants of such vehicles, while remaining therein, to make

purchases or receive services.

DWELLING:

Any building or portion thereof designated or used exclusively for residential purposes. This definition does not include tents, travel trailers, motels, hotels, hospitals, nursing homes, clubs,

and lodging/boarding houses.

DWELLING GROUP:

Two or more multifamily dwellings

DWELLING UNIT:

One or more rooms located within a dwelling designed for or occupied by one family for living or sleeping purposes and having at least one. but not more than two, permanently installed kitchens

EASEMENT:

Authorization by a property owner for the use of any designated part of his property by another for a specified purpose.

EASEMENT ROAD:

An access to or from an approved county road

or city street.

EASEMENT, UTILITY:

An access required by a utility or canal

company.

**ENGINEER:** 

Any person licensed by the State of Idaho to

practice professional engineering.

ENGINEERING PLAN:

Plans of a proposed subdivision executed by an

engineer.

ENTERTAINMENT FACILITY:

Any profit-making activity generally related to the entertainment field such as motion picture theaters, performing arts theaters, sports

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stadiums and arenas, amusement parks, bowling alleys, billiard parlors, poolrooms, dance halls, ice/roller skating rinks, health/fitness clubs, recreation clubs, arcades, and similar entertainment activities.

FAMILY:

An individual, or two or more persons related by blood, marriage, or adoption, or a group of not more than three persons (excluding servants) who are not related, living in a single-family dwelling or in a multifamily dwelling unit as a single housekeeping entity and using common cooking facilities.

FEEDLOT:

An area of land with fenced corrals where fifty (50) or more animals are stored during at least eight (8) months of the year and fed from an outside source.

FLOOD PLAIN:

The relatively flat area or low land adjoining the channel of a river, stream or other body of water which has been or may be covered by water of a flood of 100-year frequency. The flood plain includes the channel, floodway and floodway fringe as established by the Army Corp of Engineers.

FLOOR AREA, GROSS:

The sum of the gross horizontal areas of the several floors, including the exterior walls, of a building.

FLOOR AREA, NET:

That portion of the gross floor area of a building occupied by the listed use or uses and including hallway, storage and packaging space, dressing or restrooms and laboratory or workrooms; provided however, that floor space within a building reserved for parking or loading of vehicles and basement space used only for building maintenance and utilities shall be excluded.

FRONTAGE:

Property width abutting an approved right of way measured at the minimum required setback line.

FRONTAGE ROAD:

A road which has unlimited access to collector and access streets but has limited access to arterial streets. Access onto arterial streets is limited to one thousand five hundred feet (1,500') between access points.

GOVERNMENT FACILITY:

A Federal, State, County or City agency using a building for such programs as schooling, training, rehabilitating, storage, maintenance, etc.

**GREENWAY:** 

(1) A linear open space established along either a natural corridor, such as a riverfront, stream valley, or ridge line, or over land along a railroad right-of-way converted to recreational use, a canal, a scenic road, or other route; (2) any natural or landscaped course for pedestrian or bicycle passage; (3) an open-space connector linking parks, natural reserves, cultural features, or historic sites with each other and with populated area; (4) locally, certain strip or linear parks designated as a parkway or greenbelt.

GRID:

A framework of parallel or crisscrossed streets intersecting at right angles.

**HEALTH AUTHORITY:** 

District Health Department of the State Department of Health and Welfare.

HEIGHT:

The height of personal wireless facilities, spires, poles, antennas, steeples, towers, and similar structures shall be determined by measuring the vertical distance from the point of contact with the ground to the highest point of the structure, including any vertical projection thereof. When mounted upon other structures, the combined height of the personal wireless facility, spire, pole, antenna, steeple, tower, and/or similar structure, including the height of the structure mounted upon, shall be used to determine height.

HEIGHT, BUILDING:

The vertical distance from the grade to the highest point of the coping or a flat roof or to the deck line of a mansard roof or the average height of the height of the highest gable of a pitch or hip roof.

HOME BUSINESS / OCCUPATION:

An occupation engaged in by an occupant of a dwelling unit for gainful employment.

HOUSEHOLD:

All persons living in one house or dwelling unit.

INDUSTRY:

See definition of Manufacturing.

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IRRIGATION FACILITIES:

Includes canals, laterals, ditches, conduits, gates, pumps and allied equipment necessary for the supply, delivery and drainage of irrigation water.

KENNEL:

Any lot or premises or portion thereof on which more than two dogs, more than four (4) months of age, are maintained, boarded or bred.

LANDSCAPE:

(1) An expanse of natural scenery, (2) lawns, trees, plants, and other natural materials, such as rock and wood chips, and decorative features, including sculpture, patterned walks, fountains, and pools.

LOADING AND UNLOADING SPACE: An open off-street area of land other than a street or public way, the principal use of which is for standing, loading and unloading of motor vehicles and tractors and/or trailers in order to avoid undue interference with public streets and alleys.

LOT:

A unit of land, meeting minimum zoning requirements, described by metes and bounds or a part of a recorded subdivision so recorded for transfer of ownership.

LOT COVERAGE:

The area of a lot occupied by the principal buildings building(s) and accessory expressed by a percentage.

LOT FOOTPRINT:

In a multiple use district or in a planned unit development, the parcel of land of a singlefamily home, twin home or townhome, which usually is immediately beneath, in front of and behind the unit.

LOT FRONTAGE:

The front of a lot shall be construed to be the portion nearest the street. For the purpose of determining yard requirements on corner and through lots, all sides adjacent to a street may be considered for frontage designation; however, when a building is placed on a lot, one side shall be designated as the yard front and lot frontage requirements shall apply to that street.

LOT LINE:

The boundary property line encompassing a lot. The front lot line is the boundary line which

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abuts a public street. For a corner lot, the owner may select either street line as the front lot line. The rear lot line is the lot line most nearly parallel to the most remote from the front property lines. An interior lot line is a side line in common with another lot.

LOT, MINIMUM AREA: The area of a lot which is computed exclusive

of any portion of the right of way of any public or private street or road.

A lot which is described by metes and bounds and which has been recorded with the County.

A. Corner Lot: A lot located at the intersection of two (2) or more streets with an external angle of not more than one hundred thirty five degrees (135°).

B. Double Frontage Lot: A lot which is not a corner lot and abuts two or more streets, with possible vehicular access to both streets.

C. Flag Lot: Lots or parcels with less frontage on a public street than is normally required. The panhandle is an access corridor to lots or parcels located behind lots or parcels with normally required street frontage.

D. Interior Lot: A lot with only one frontage on a street.

E. Reversed Frontage Lot: A lot on which frontage is at right angles to the general pattern in the area. A reversed frontage lot may also be a corner lot.

F. Through Lot: A lot other than a corner lot with frontage on more than one street. Through lots abutting two (2) streets may be referred to as double frontage lots.

A single-family dwelling fabricated in one or more sections at a location other than the home site. Every section shall bear a label certifying that it is built in compliance with Federal Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards, June 15, 1976, and it shall also meet HUD and Uniform Building Code standards. A manufactured home may be

LOT OF RECORD:

LOT TYPES:

MANUFACTURED HOME:

designed to be towed on its own chassis or it may be site delivered by alternative means.

MANUFACTURED HOME PARK:

A parcel of ground retained under one ownership for the purpose of lease or rental of spaces for the placement of manufactured homes.

MANUFACTURED HOME SUBDIVISION:

A tract of land subdivided to provide for the sale of individual lots for the express purpose of placement of manufactured homes.

MANUFACTURING:

The making of a product, especially by machinery and on a large scale, including assembling, fabricating, processing and refining.

MASTER PLAN:

A comprehensive, long-range plan intended to guide the growth and development of a community or region for a set period of time and which typically includes inventory and analytic sections leading to recommendations for the community's land use, future economic development, housing, recreation and open space, transportation, community facilities and community design, all related to the community's goals and objectives for these elements.

MAY:

A permissive requirement.

MOBILE HOME:

A manufactured relocatable single-family dwelling made prior to June 15, 1976 which does not meet the Federal Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards. A structure transportable in one or more sections which is eight (8) body feet or more in width an is thirty two (32) body feet or more in length and which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities and includes the plumbing, heating, air conditioning and electrical systems contained therein.

MOBILE HOME PARK:

A parcel of ground retained under one ownership for the purpose of lease or rental of spaces for the placement of "mobile homes" or

"manufactured homes," as defined in this Chapter.

MOBILE OFFICE:

A detached mobile unit not intended for occupancy as a dwelling unit designed to be transported after fabrication on its own wheels or on flatbed or other trailers or detached wheels. Use of a mobile office at other than a construction site requires a special use permit.

MONUMENT:

Any permanent marker either of concrete, galvanized iron pipe or iron or steel rods used to identify any tract, parcel, lot or street lines, as specified in section 50-1303, Idaho Code.

MOTEL:

A building or group of buildings on the same premises, whether detached or connected, containing sleeping or dwelling units independently accessible with garage space or parking space located on the premises and designed for or occupied by the public.

MOTHER-IN-LAW APARTMENT:

An accessory dwelling unit or a secondary suite that is associated with the primary residence. These sorts of dwelling units are primarily constructed with a separate entrance, kitchen, bathroom and a living area. The primary objective of constructing such a dwelling unit is to provide accommodation to an elderly relative who is unable to lead life on their own.

MULTIFAMILY DWELLING:

A detached building arranged or designed to contain two or more dwelling units. Under this definition, twin homes, townhouses, condominiums and apartments are multifamily housing, as are duplexes, three-plexes, sixplexes, etc.

NATURAL RESOURCE:

Land and/or water in a natural, unimproved state, including that which may be growing on it or found in it. Natural resources include, but are not limited to, mineral deposits, timber, rangeland, watersheds, recreation areas and wildlife habitat.

NONCONFORMING USE:

A building or use of land existing at the time of enactment of the Ordinance codified herein which does not conform to the regulations of the district in which it is situated. Any use lawfully occupying a building structure or land at the effective date hereof or of subsequent

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amendments thereto, which does not conform to the regulations for the district in which it is located.

NONPROFIT REHABILITATION CENTER:

Facilities operated by established nonprofit organizations such as goodwill industries, salvation army, etc., which are intended to employment and training provide handicapped persons. Such facilities may include, but are not limited to, activities such as assembly products, training. of administrative office, repair and sale of secondhand clothing, furniture and appliances, and may include certain facilities for persons with profound mental retardation. This use does not include homeless shelters or other forms of transient permanent residential or accommodation.

NURSERY, PLANT:

Land, structure or a combination thereof for the storage, cultivation or transplanting of live trees, shrubs or plants offered for sale on the premises, including products used for gardening and landscaping.

NURSING/CONVALESCENT HOME:

A building housing any facility, however named, whether operated for profit or not, the purpose of which is to provide skilled nursing care and related medical services for two (2) or more individuals suffering from illness, disease, injury, deformity or requiring care because of old age.

NURSING HOME, REST HOME:

The same as a nursing home, except that medical care is not administered therein.

**OPEN SPACE:** 

A common area platted as a separate lot, provided within a recorded easement, or dedicated to and accepted by the city. The area shall be substantially open to the sky, exclusive of streets, and shall be designated and intended as a usable and convenient amenity to any proposed development. Wetland areas, drainage ditches, irrigation ditches, and similar features shall not be considered as a part of the minimum area of open space required.

**ORIGINAL PARCEL:** 

A lot or tract of land as recorded on any plat or recorded in the county recorder's office as of the effective date hereof.

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PARKING LOT:

An open, graded and surfaced area, other than a street or public way, to be used for the storage, for limited periods of time, of operable passenger automobiles and commercial vehicles and available to the public, whether for compensation, free or as an accommodation to clients or customers.

PARKING SPACE:

Usable space within a public or private parking area or building for the storage of a single automobile or commercial vehicle.

PARKING SPACE, OFF-STREET:

An area adequate for parking an automobile with room for opening doors on both sides, together with properly related access to a public street or alley and maneuvering room. The space shall be located totally outside of any street or alley right of way.

PAVEMENT WIDTH:

The designated finished horizontal distance measured from one side of the street to the other including back of curb to back of curb.

PEDESTRIAN WAY:

A public walk dedicated to providing access to or through a school, park, recreation area or shopping center.

PERFORMANCE/SURETY BOND:

A financial guarantee by a subdivider or developer to the city, guaranteeing the completion of physical improvements according to plans and specifications, and/or the operation of said development according to the provisions required by the city and/or reclamation of said development site as agreed with the city.

PERSON:

Includes a single individual, firm, association, organization, partnership, trust, company or corporation, as well as an individual.

PERSONAL WIRELESS FACILITIES:

Facilities necessary for the provision of personal wireless services (i.e., towers, support buildings, etc.).

PERSONAL WIRELESS SERVICES:

Commercial wireless telecommunication services including cellular, personal communication services (PCS), specialized mobilized radio (SMR), enhanced specialized mobilized radio (ESMR), paging, and similar services that are marketed to the general

public.

PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT:

An area of land in which a variety of residential, commercial, industrial and/or recreational uses developed under single ownership or control are accommodated in a preplanned environment with more flexible standards than those normally applied under these regulations.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION:

The planning and zoning commission of Tetonia.

PLAT:

The drawing, map or plan of a cemetery, subdivision or other tract of land or replatting of such, including certification, covenants, descriptions, dedications and approvals.

Final Plat: The final presentation containing all descriptions, provisions and information concerning a subdivision in accordance with this Title.

Preliminary Plat: The formal presentation, by drawing, as accepted by the planning and zoning commission and city council.

Recorded Plat: A final plat that has been accepted by the city and filed for record by the county.

PREEXISTING TOWERS OR ANTENNAS:

Any tower or antenna for which a building permit or conditional use permit has been properly issued prior to the effective date of this ordinance, including permitted towers or antennas that have not yet been constructed so long as such approval is current and not expired.

PRESCHOOL:

An institution providing care for compensation, with instruction, for more than five (5) children of preschool age.

PUBLIC SERVICE FACILITY:

The erection, construction, alteration, operation or maintenance of buildings, power plants or substations, water treatment plants or pumping stations, sewage disposal or pumping plants and other similar public service structures by a public utility, by a railroad or by a municipal or other governmental agency to furnish electrical, gas, rail transport, communication, public water or sewage services.

PUBLIC USE:

Public parks, schools, churches, administrative and cultural buildings, not including public land or buildings, devoted solely to the storage and maintenance of equipment and materials.

QUASI-PUBLIC USE:

Patronage of churches, Sunday schools, parochial schools, colleges, hospitals and other facilities of an educational, religious, charitable, philanthropic or nonprofit nature.

RECREATION, OUTDOORS:

Activities related to the use of natural resources such as, but not limited to, hiking, fishing, hunting and boating which require no structures and create a minimal disturbance to the land.

RIPARIAN LAND

Land that is traversed or bounded by a natural water course or adjoining tidal lands.

RESERVE STRIP:

A strip of land between a partial street and adjacent property, which is reserved or held in public ownership for future street extension or widening.

RESIDENCE:

A single-family dwelling or multifamily dwelling

unit.

RESIDENTIAL:

An area composed primarily of residences.

RESTAURANT:

Any land, building or part thereof, other than a boarding house, where meals are provided for compensation, including, but not limited to, a cafe, a cafeteria, coffee shop, lunch room, tea room and dining room.

RIGHT OF WAY:

A strip of land taken or dedicated for use as a public way. In addition to the roadway, it normally incorporates curbs, lawn strips, sidewalks, lighting and drainage facilities and may include special features required by the topography or treatment, such as grade separation, landscaped areas, viaducts and bridges.

ROAD:

A roadway surface and its approved rights of way. See definition of Street.

ROADSIDE STAND:

A structure or vehicle designed or used for the temporary display and sale of retail items may include outside display in the adjacent area.

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ROOMING HOUSE:

See definition of Boarding House.

SALVAGE YARD:

An outdoor space where junk, waste, discarded or salvaged materials are stored or handled, including automobile wrecking yards and yards for used building materials, and places or yards for storage of salvaged building and structural steel materials and equipment. Including yards or establishments for the sale, purchase or storage of used cars or machinery in operable condition and the processing used, discarded or salvaged materials as part of a permitted manufacturing operation on the same premises.

SCENIC CORRIDOR:

An area visible from a highway, waterway, railway, or major hiking, biking, equestrian trail, or publicly accessible right-of-way that provides vistas over water and across expanses of land, such as farmlands, woodlands, coastal wetlands, or mountaintops or ridges.

SERVICE INDUSTRY:

Financial institutions, professional offices, personal care facilities, and other service oriented businesses.

SERVICE STATION:

A business for fueling and servicing motor vehicles. This business sells fuel, lubricating oil and grease on premises and may sell tires, batteries, and accessories. The business typically provides major and minor motor-vehicle repairs and may also sell convenience items such as snacks and soft drinks.

SETBACK:

The minimum distance allowed between a property line of a lot and the nearest drip line of the eaves of a house, business or other building, including any projection thereof, excluding uncovered steps. Uncovered steps or a deck may not extend into the front setback more that one-third  $(^{1}/_{3})$  of the required setback.

SETBACK AREA:

The space on a lot required to be left open and unoccupied by buildings or structures by the front, side or rear yard requirements of this Title or by delineation on a recorded subdivision.

SHALL:

Is mandatory.

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E. Administer and enforce all applicable city land use code within the city impact

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permit shall be completed within three (3) years from the date of issuance or said permit shall be revoked by the administrator and written notice shall be given to all persons affected. In either case, a new permit will be needed before work may continue.

- D. Construction And Use To Be As Provided: A permit issued on the basis of an application and plans approved by the administrator authorize only the uses and arrangements set forth in such approved application and plans. No other use, arrangement or construction is allowed. Use, arrangement or construction contrary to that authorized shall be deemed a violation of this Title.
- E. Failure To Obtain Permit: Failure to obtain a building/zoning permit shall be in violation of this Title.
- F. Records Of Actions: Appropriate permits as defined in this Title shall be forwarded to the county assessor as required in Idaho Code section 67-6522. (Ord. 2008-4)

### 9-4-3: FEES, CHARGES AND EXPENSES

- A. Established: The city council shall establish, by resolution, a schedule of fees and collection procedure for permits, appeals, variances, plat approvals and all other matters pertaining to the administration and enforcement of this Title which require investigation, inspection, legal advertising, postage and/or other expenses.
- B. Posting: The schedule of fees shall be posted in the office of the administrator and may be altered or amended only by resolution of the city council. Until all applicable fees, charges and expenses have been paid in full, no action shall be taken on any application or appeal.
- C. Payment: All fees pertaining to permits, appeals, variances, plat approvals and all other matters pertaining to the administration and enforcement of this Title shall be paid to the office of the administrator. (Ord. 38, 11-5-1984; Ord. 23, 5-1981; Ord. 22, 5-1981; Ord. 2008-4)

### 9-4-4: INSPECTION

Appropriate agencies and departments shall inspect or cause to be inspected improvements such as buildings, fire hydrants and water supply, sewage disposal systems, etc., in the course of construction, installation or repair. Excavations for fire hydrants and water and sewer mains and laterals shall not be covered or backfilled until



- 1. Such complaint, stating fully the cause and basis thereof, shall be filed with the administrator.
- 2. The administrator shall properly record such complaint, immediately investigate and take action thereon as provided by this Title.
- 3. The administrator shall report in writing within fourteen (14) days to the person filing the complaint regarding the disposition of the complaint.
- B. Penalty: The city attorney shall, in addition to taking whatever criminal action deemed necessary, take steps to civilly enjoin any violation of this Title.
  - Participating Persons: The landowner, tenant, subdivider, builder, public official or any other person who commits, participates in, assists in or maintains such violation may be found guilty of a separate offense.
  - 2. Fine; Imprisonment: Upon conviction of any violation of any of the provisions of this Title, such persons shall be subject to penalty as provided in Section 1-4-1 of this Code.
  - Action To Restrain Or Prevent: Nothing herein contained shall prevent the city council or any other public official or private citizen from taking such lawful action as is necessary to restrain or prevent any violation of this Title or of the Idaho Code. (Ord. 38, 11-5-1984; Ord. 23, 5-1981; Ord. 22, 5-1981; Ord. 2008-4)

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### CHAPTER 5

# AMENDMENTS, RECLASSIFICATION AND ANNEXATION

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### 9-5-1: AUTHORITY

The Land Use Code may be amended whenever the city council deems that amendment is required for public convenience, necessity or general welfare. The city council, subject to procedures provided by law, may amend, supplement, change or repeal the regulations, restrictions, and boundaries or classifications of property. (Ord. 38, 11-5-1984; Ord. 23, 5-1981; Ord. 22, 5-1981; Ord. 2008-4)

### 9-5-2: INITIATION OF AMENDMENTS

- A. Amendments to the comprehensive plan or this Title may be initiated in one of the following ways:
  - 1. The planning and zoning commission makes a recommendation to the city council;
  - 2. The city council adopts a motion by a council member to amend the comprehensive plan or this Title; and
  - A property owner or a person who has an existing interest in property within the city or area of city impact requests a change to the comprehensive plan or this Title by application to the city clerk.
- B. Requests or applications for amendments to the comprehensive plan or this Title received by the city clerk shall be submitted to the planning and zoning commission for review.
- C. Applications shall contain the following information:
  - 1. Name, address, and phone number of applicant;
  - Proposed amendment;
  - Present land use and zoning district;
  - 4. Proposed land use and zoning district;
  - A list of all property owners and their mailing addresses who are within three hundred feet (300') of the external boundaries of the land being proposed for land use reclassification;

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- B. Comprehensive Plan: Be harmonious with and in accordance with the general objectives or with any specific objective of the comprehensive plan and/or this Title;
- C. Existing Character: Be designed, constructed, operated and maintained to be harmonious and appropriate in appearance with the existing or intended character of the general vicinity and that such use will not change the essential character of the same area as far as is possible;
- D. Neighboring Uses: Not be unduly hazardous or disturbing to existing or future

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council shall use the same notice and hearing procedures used by the planning and zoning commission.

- D. Within forty-five (45) days following the public hearing, city council shall approve, approve with conditions or modifications, or deny the conditional use permit.
- E. Upon granting or denying an application for a conditional use permit, the city council shall specify:
  - The comprehensive plan and/or ordinance provisions or standards used in evaluating the application; and
  - 2. The reasons for approval or denial.

# 9-6-8: NOTIFICATION TO APPLICANT

Within ten (10) days after a decision has been rendered, the administrator shall provide the applicant with written notice of the action taken on the request for a conditional use permit.

# 9-6-9: JUDICIAL REVIEW

An applicant denied a permit or aggrieved by a decision may, within twenty eight (28) days after all remedies have been exhausted under local ordinance, seek judicial review under the procedures provided by chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code.

# 9-6-10: REVOCATION OF PERMIT

Once a conditional use permit has been granted, it may be revoked upon violation of any of the conditions imposed therein, using the same, or most currently adopted, hearing procedures for granting a conditional use permit. (Ord. 2008-4)

### CHAPTER 7

# **NON-CONFORMING USES**

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- 9-7-4: REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE
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- 9-7-6: BUILDINGS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

## 9-7-1: INTENT

It is the intent of this chapter to permit nonconforming uses to continue until they are removed, but not to encourage their survival. It is further the intent of this Title that nonconforming uses shall not be enlarged upon, expanded or extended, nor be used as grounds for adding other structures or Uses prohibited elsewhere in the same district.

# 9-7-2: AUTHORITY TO CONTINUE NONCONFORMING USE

If a lawful use involving individual structures, or of a structure and land in combination, exists at the effective date of this Title that would not be allowed in the district under the terms of this Title, the lawful use may be continued so long as it remains otherwise lawful, subject to the following provisions:

- A. Additions Or Alterations: No existing structure devoted to a use not permitted by this Title in the district in which it is located shall be enlarged, extended, constructed, reconstructed, moved or structurally altered except in changing the use of the structure to a use permitted in the district in which it is located.
- B. Expansion: No nonconforming use shall be extended to occupy any additional land area.
- C. Change Of Nonconforming Use: If no structural alterations are made, any nonconforming use of a structure and land may, upon the issuance of a conditional use permit, be changed to another nonconforming use; provided that the proposed use is equally appropriate or more appropriate to the district than the existing nonconforming use. In permitting such change, appropriate conditions and safeguards in accord with other provisions of this Title may be required.
- D. Change To Conforming Use: Any structure, or structure and land in combination, in or on which a nonconforming use is superseded by a permitted use shall thereafter conform to the regulations for the district, and the nonconforming use may not thereafter be resumed.
- E. Discontinuance Of Nonconforming Use:
  - If the nonuse continues for a period of one (1) year or longer, the city or county may, by written request, require that the owner declare his intention with respect to the continued nonuse of the improvements in writing within twenty-eight (28) days of receipt of the request. If the owner elects to continue the nonuse, he shall notify the city or county in writing of his

intention and shall post the property with notice of his intent to continue the nonuse of the improvements. He shall also publish notice of his intent to continue the nonuse in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the property is located. If the property owner complies with the requirements of this subsection, his right to use such improvements in the future for their designed purpose shall continue, notwithstanding any change in the zoning of the property.

- The property owner may voluntarily elect to withdraw the use by filing with the clerk of the city or the county, as the case may be, an affidavit of withdrawn use. If the property is redesigned for a different use, the property owner shall be deemed to have abandoned any grandfather right to the prior use of the property.
- For purposes of this section "designed purpose" means the use for which the improvements were originally intended, designed and approved pursuant to any applicable planning and zoning ordinances.
- F. Elimination Of Nonconforming Structure: Where nonconforming use status applies to a structure and land in combination, removal or destruction of the structure shall eliminate the nonconforming status of the land.

# 9-7-3: EXTENSION OR ENLARGEMENT OF NONCONFORMING USE

A. Nonconforming uses are declared by this Title to be incompatible with permitted uses in the districts in which such use is located. A nonconforming use shall not be extended or enlarged after the effective date of this Title by attachment on a building or premises of additional signs intended to be seen from off the premises, or by the addition of other uses of a nature, which would be generally prohibited in the district in which such use is located.

# 9-7-4: REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE

On any nonconforming structure, or portion of a structure containing a nonconforming use, work may be done on ordinary repairs or on repair or replacement of nonbearing walls, fixtures, wiring or plumbing; provided, that the cubic content existing when it became nonconforming shall not be increased. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to prevent the strengthening or restoring to a safe condition of any building or part thereof declared to be unsafe by any official charged with protecting the public safety upon order of such official.

# 9-7-5: NONCONFORMING LOTS OF RECORD

A. Single Nonconforming Lots Of Record: In any district in which single-family dwellings are permitted, a single-family dwelling and customary accessory buildings may be erected on any single lot of record at the effective date of this Title, notwithstanding limitations imposed by other provisions of this Title. Such lot must be in separate ownership and not of continuous frontage with other lots in the same ownership. This provision shall apply even though such lot fails to meet the requirements for area or width, or both, that are generally applicable in the district; provided, that hard dimensions and requirements other than those applying to area or width, or both, of the lot shall conform to the regulations for the district in which such lot is located.

# 9-7-6: BUILDINGS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

A. To avoid undue hardship, nothing in this Title shall be deemed to require a change in the plans, construction or designated use of any building on which actual construction was lawfully begun prior to the effective date hereof and upon which actual building construction has been carried on diligently. (Ord. 38, 11-5-1984; Ord. 2008-4)

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### **CHAPTER 8**

### APPEAL AND VARIANCE

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## 9-8-1: GENERAL STATEMENT

The planning and zoning commission shall consider administrative appeals from any decision or determination of the administrator. Appeals of any action of the planning and zoning commission shall be made to the city council. The planning and zoning commission shall also consider variances from the terms of this Title and requests for hearings from affected persons.

### 9-8-2: ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS

Appeals to the planning and zoning commission concerning interpretation or administration of this Title may be made by any person aggrieved or by any officer or bureau of the legislative authority affected by any decision of the administrator. Such appeal shall be made within twenty (20) days after the decision of the administrator by filing with the administrator and with the planning and zoning commission a notice of appeal specifying the grounds upon which the appeal is being made. The administrator shall transmit to the planning and zoning commission all the papers constituting the record upon which the appeal is based.

### 9-8-3: STAY OF PROCEEDINGS

An administrative appeal shall stay all proceedings in furtherance of the action taken by the administrator, unless the administrator certifies to the planning and zoning commission that a stay would, in his opinion, cause imminent peril to life or property. In such case, proceedings shall not be stayed other than by a restraining order which may be granted by a court of competent jurisdiction, based upon an application showing due cause.

# 9-8-4: ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL PROCEDURE

- A. Publication of Public Hearing: Upon receipt of an administrative appeal, the planning and zoning commission shall allow all affected persons an opportunity to be heard. Publication of a public hearing shall follow 67-6509 Idaho Code.
- B. Decision: No later than the next regular meeting after consideration of an appeal, the planning and zoning commission shall approve, conditionally

disapprove or disapprove the appeal. Upon recommending approval or denial of an appeal, the planning and zoning commission shall specify:

- 1. The ordinance section or standards used in evaluating the application; and
- 2. The reasons for approval or denial.

### 9-8-5: VARIANCES

The planning and zoning commission may authorize in specific cases such "variance", defined in Section 9-2-1 of this Title, from the terms of this Title as will not be contrary to the public interest where, owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the provisions of this Title would result in unnecessary hardship.

- A. Modification Of Title: A variance is a modification of the requirements of this Title as to the bulk and placement requirements of this Title as to lot size, lot coverage, width, depth, front yard, side yard, rear yard, setback, parking space, height of buildings or other Title provision affecting the size or shape of a structure or the placement of the structure upon lots, or the size of lots.
- B. Nonconforming Uses: Existing nonconforming use of neighboring lands, structures or buildings in the same district and existing permitted or nonconforming use of lands, structures or buildings in other districts shall not be grounds for issuance of a variance. Variances shall not be granted on the grounds of convenience or profit, but only where strict application of the provisions of this Title would result in unnecessary hardship.
- C. Considerations: In acting upon a variance, the planning and zoning commission shall consider the following:
  - That the granting of the variance will not be in conflict with the intent of the Comprehensive Plan and will not affect a change in zoning;
  - 2. Is not a special privilege for the applicant;
  - That there is exceptional or extraordinary circumstances or conditions applicable to the property involved; and
  - 4. The granting of such relief will not be materially detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare, or injurious to the property or improvements of other property owners, or the quiet enjoyment of such property or improvement.

# 9-8-6: APPLICATION AND STANDARDS FOR VARIANCES

- A. Application; Required Information: A variance from the terms of this Title shall not be heard by the planning and zoning commission unless and until a written application for a variance is submitted with the required fees to the administrator.
  - Applicant Information: Name, address and phone number of applicant;
  - 2. Property Description: Legal description of property;
  - Description: Description of variance requested; and
  - Statement of Conformance: A statement demonstrating that the requested variance conforms to the following standards:

- That special conditions and circumstances exist which are peculiar to the land, structure or building involved and which are not applicable to other lands, structures or buildings in the same district;
- That a literal interpretation of the provisions of this Title would deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other properties in the same district under the terms of this Title; and
- c. That granting the variance requested will not confer on the applicant any special privilege that is denied by this Title to other lands, structures or buildings in the same district.
- B. Findings Of Fact: A variance shall not be recommended for approval or conditional approval to the city council unless the planning and zoning commission makes specific findings of fact based directly on the particular evidence presented, which supports conclusions that the applicant has met the above standards and conditions.

# 9-8-7: VARIANCE PROCEDURE

- A. Hearing; Notice: Upon receipt of a variance application, the planning and zoning commission shall allow all affected persons an opportunity to be heard. Publication of a public hearing shall follow 67-6509 Idaho Code. The administrator shall notify property owners within three hundred (300) feet adjoining the parcel under consideration.
- B. Decision: No later than the next regular meeting after consideration of a variance request, the planning and zoning commission shall recommend approval, conditionally approval or denial of the requested variance. Upon approval, conditional approval or denial of a variance, the planning and zoning commission shall specify:
  - The ordinance section or standard used in evaluating the variance request; and
  - 2. The reasons for approval or denial.

# 9-8-8: SUPPLEMENTARY CONDITIONS AND SAFEGUARDS

Under no circumstances shall the planning and zoning commission recommend an administrative appeal or allow a variance, expressly or by implication, prohibited by the terms of this Title. In granting any appeal or variance, the planning and zoning commission may recommend appropriate conditions and safeguards in conformity with this Title. Violation of such conditions and safeguards, when made part of the terms under which the appeal or variance is granted, shall be deemed a violation of this Title.

# 9-8-9: APPEAL TO CITY COUNCIL

- A. Appeal: The applicant or any affected person may appeal the decision of the planning and zoning commission to the city council within ten (10) days following the planning and zoning commission's action.
  - Upon receipt of an appeal from an action of the planning and zoning commission relating to administrative appeal or variance, the city council shall hold a public hearing following the same publication procedures as set forth

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in 67-6509 Idaho Code. The city council shall only overrule the planning and zoning commission by majority vote. Such action by the city council shall be taken within thirty-five (35) days following the public hearing.

# 9-8-10: NOTIFICATION TO APPLICANT

Within ten (10) days after a decision has been rendered, the administrator shall provide the applicant with written notice of the action on the administrative appeal or request for a variance. (Ord. 38, 11-5-1984; Ord. 2008-4)

### **CHAPTER 9**

## PUBLIC HEARING PROCEDURE

9-9-1: PURPOSE

9-9-2: APPLICABILITY

9-9-3: PUBLIC HEARING FORMAT

### 9-9-1: PURPOSE

The procedure for conduct of public hearings shall provide for the opportunity of all persons to present and rebut evidence.

### 9-9-2: APPLICABILITY

- A. Planning And Zoning Commission: Public hearings conducted by the planning and zoning commission shall follow the public hearing procedure as set forth herein.
  - One commissioner, the chairman of the planning and zoning commission, or an appointed member of planning and zoning, or the city attorney, by vote of the commission, shall moderate and conduct the public hearing.
  - 2. Members of the planning and zoning commission shall be recognized by the chair before speaking and shall direct comments and questions for clarification to the chair of the public hearing.
- B. City Council: Public hearings conducted by the city council shall follow the public hearing procedure as set forth herein.
  - 1. The mayor, or in his absence, the president of the council shall moderate and conduct the public hearing.
  - Council members shall be recognized by the chair before speaking and shall direct comments and questions for clarification to the chair of the public hearing.
- C. Hearings To Be Recorded: As is required by Idaho Code Section 67-6536, all hearings shall be recorded to create a transcribable record. Recordings of all hearings before the commission/council shall be kept by the administrator for a period of not less than six (6) months.

# 9-9-3: PUBLIC HEARING FORMAT

- A. Public Hearing Introduction: The chair conducting the public hearing should present a brief review and summary of the procedure and purpose of the public hearing.
  - Introduce members of the commission or the council and identify the chair of the public hearing.
  - 2. Describe the role of the chair as follows:
    - a. Maintain order during the public hearing.

- Facilitate the public hearing process by directing and allowing comment in an orderly and timely manner. Public comment may be restricted by a time limit.
- 3. Briefly explain the nature of the issue being presented for public hearing.
- 4. Outline the steps taken prior to the public hearing, such as, completed application, public noticing, and information from other agencies.
- B. Public Hearing Steps: All comments should be directed through the chair. No person shall be allowed to speak during the public hearing unless recognized by the chair. Prior to giving comment all persons shall state their name and address for the record.
  - 1. The applicant gives a short presentation explaining the request and the reasons for approval of the request.
  - 2. City staff gives comment.
  - 3. Written comment is presented in summary.
  - 4. Those in favor give comment.
  - 5. Those who are neutral give comment.
  - 6. Those opposed give comment.
  - 7. Rebuttal by the applicant.
    - The applicant may address points raised opposing the request.
    - If the applicant presents new evidence, a limited time shall be allowed for further comment from affected persons.
- C. Pursuant to the provisions of Idaho Code Section 67-6519(2), the commission/council may elect to keep the public hearing open for the sole purpose of the commission/council to request any additional specific information from the applicant or any person who testified at the public hearing. In this circumstance, the commission/council shall cite the ordinance (City Code) and/or standards under which it is seeking the additional information. At such time that the commission/council considers such new information, the commission/council may limit testimony only to such new information and any party shall be allowed to testify on such new information, regardless of whether or not such person testified at the original hearing.
- Closing The Public Hearing: The chair officially closes the public hearing. (2008 Code)
- E. At the close of the public hearing, the commission/council, the chairman or mayor, respectively, shall call for discussion and deliberation by the commission/council.
  - All decisions of the commission/council shall be reported, in writing, in the form of findings of fact and conclusions of law as required by Idaho Code Section 67-6535.
  - Deliberation and a decision of the commission/council shall be made within sixty (60) days of the close of the hearing as required by Idaho Code Section 67-6519. (Ord. 2008-4)