



**Chisago County Department of
Environmental Services and Zoning**

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February 17, 2021

RE: County Ordinance(s) Public Hearing

Dear City and Township Official(s),

Please find for your review the enclosed public hearing notice concerning the Chisago County Planning Commission consideration of several county ordinances scheduled on March 4, 2021.

Land Services Coordinator, Jessica Jagoe can be reached at 651-213-8379 if you have any questions that cannot be addressed after review of the hearing notice and web site resources at www.chisagocounty.us/406/Planning-Commission .

Regards,

Kurt Schneider
Director, Environmental Services/Zoning



**Chisago County Planning Commissioners
Notice of Intent to Seek Public Comment
Proposed Zoning, Subdivision and
Subsurface Sewage Treatment
Ordinance Amendments**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Minnesota Statute Section 375.51, Subd. 2, the Chisago County Planning Commission intends to seek public hearing input and comment concerning proposed amendments to the Zoning; Subdivision; and Subsurface Sewage Treatment Ordinances. The time and date of the hearing is during the Commissions electronic meeting scheduled for **Thursday, March 4, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.**

The purpose of the proposed amendments are to remove all reference of depth to mottled soils in the definition of Buildable Area; remove all language in reference to requiring “one acre buildable” within the Zoning, Subdivision, and Subsurface Sewage Treatment Ordinances. Specifically, the Planning Commission would like input on - Should Chisago County: 1) Keep the current ordinance minimum of “one acre buildable” area for new lots created; or 2) Delete the “one acre buildable” area; or 3) Change the “one acre buildable” area? In addition to removing “one acre buildable” from the Subsurface Sewage Treatment Ordinance, more septic system types would be allowed.

For specifics, please visit the website of the Chisago County Environmental Services/Zoning & Parks Department at <https://www.chisagocounty.us/277/Environmental-ServicesZoning-Parks> and from the Chisago County Environmental Services/Zoning & Parks Department, 313 North Main Street, Suite 240, Center City, MN 55012, Telephone: 651-213-8371, during business hours.

Those wishing to submit public comment in advance of the meeting may do so in the form of written public comment by mail to Chisago County Government Center or email to Land Services Coordinator, Jessica Jagoe at jessica.jagoe@chisagocounty.us by 4 PM on March 4, 2021. Individuals wishing to observe the meeting or provide public hearing input and comment during the meeting may do so by electronic means. Attendance at the meeting through the Call In telephone number is available for listening purposes only. To attend the meeting via one of the formats available go to the Chisago County website under Planning Commission at www.chisagocounty.us/406/Planning-Commission to obtain access information to join or call 651-213-8379 for further instructions prior to 4 PM of meeting date.

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Buildable Area

- Should Chisago County: **Keep** the current ordinance minimum of “One Acre Buildable” area for new lots created; **Delete** the “One Acre Buildable” area; or **Change** the “One Acre Buildable” area?

Septic Questions

- Should the Chisago County Septic Ordinance eliminate the minimum of 10,000 sq. ft. to mottled soil requirement for a new home and replace it with no minimum sq. ft. requirement but allow an approved MPCA septic system designer to set the square feet needed for the proper operation of the septic system based on the home size and lot characteristics?
- Should Chisago County allow Type 1 – 4 septic systems for new home construction?
- Should Chisago County allow holding tanks for seasonal property if no other septic option is available?

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