

# AGENDA REQUEST FORM

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Yakima County Commissioners' Office, Room 232**

Prepared by:  
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Department: Public Services - Planning

Requested Agenda Date: 11/15/2021

Presenting: Lisa Freund

Document Title:

*Board of County Commissioners Record Assigned*

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**261-2021**

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

Consent                       Regular  
*Board of County Commissioners Determined*

IN THE MATTER OF SETTING THE DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE YAKIMA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION ON THE PROPOSED TOWN OF NACHES EMERGENCY URBAN GROWTH AREA (UGA) AMENDMENT (LRN2021-001/SEP2021-010)

Action Requested: *Check Applicable Box*

PASS RESOLUTION       EXECUTE or AMEND **AGREEMENT** CONTRACT or GRANT

ISSUE PROCLAMATION    PASS ORDINANCE    OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

Describe Fiscal Impact:

None

Background Information:

The Town of Naches is requesting an out-of-cycle emergency UGA amendment to expand their boundary and add an approximate 40.17 acres for residential use. The next five-year UGA update cycle is 2022 and GMA Comprehensive Plan Update cycle in 2026. RCW 36.70A.130 allows for comprehensive plan amendments only once per year except in certain circumstances, whenever an emergency exists. The Board of Yakima County Commissioners must hold an open record public hearing and deliberate to make a determination based on the Planning Commission's findings and public testimony.


Summary & Recommendation:

This Resolution needs to be passed to officially set the required open record public hearing before the Board of Yakima County Commissioners on the proposed Naches UGA amendment.

Motion:

Motion to approve the resolution to set a hearing to consider the Town of Naches proposal.

Department Head/ Elected Official

  
Signature

**AGREEMENT** Attached Is Approved as to Form  
Corporate Counsel Initial

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*Late Agenda Requests Require BOCC Chairman Signature:*

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**BOARD OF YAKIMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
RESOLUTION**

**IN THE MATTER OF SETTING THE  
DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO  
CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS  
OF THE YAKIMA COUNTY PLANNING  
COMMISSION ON THE PROPOSED  
TOWN OF NACHES EMERGENCY URBAN  
GROWTH AREA (UGA) AMENDMENT  
(LRN2021-001/SEP2021-010)**

**261-2021**

**WHEREAS**, in compliance with the Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA), Chapter 36.70A RCW, the Board of Yakima County Commissioners (Board) adopted the Yakima County Comprehensive Plan – *Horizon 2040*, on June 27, 2017, and adopted the development regulations – Yakima County Code (YCC) Title 19, on May 5, 2015; **and**,

**WHEREAS**, as part of its comprehensive plan and development regulation update process, the County has established a public participation program, YCC 16B.10, which sets forth minimum requirements for ensuring adequate public notification and opportunities for comment and participation in the amendment process; **and**,

**WHEREAS**, Section II.E.1.a of the Master Interlocal Agreement for Growth Management Act Implementation in Yakima County, last revised on December 29, 2015 by the Board and the County’s 14 Cities and Towns, provides for Cities and Towns to request amendments to UGA boundaries outside of the 5-year schedule by requesting the emergency amendment process allowed under RCW 36.70A.130(2)(b); **and**,

**WHEREAS**, on March 3, 2021 the Town of Naches submitted a request to the Board of Yakima County Commissioners to allow the Town to apply for an amendment outside of the regular amendment cycle, to expand their UGA boundary; **and**,

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Naches urgently insists that the lack of vacant developable residential land in their town limits and existing UGA constitutes an emergency and needs to be considered by the County prior to the next county 5-year review of the Naches UGA boundary scheduled to take place in 2022; **and**,

**WHEREAS**, the Board, after considering the Naches proposal, adopted Resolution 085-2021 on March 31, 2021, finding that an emergency exists and directed the Planning Division to initiate consideration of the Naches request (LRN2021-001/SEP2021-010) as soon as possible in accordance with RCW 36.70A.130(2)(b); **and**,

**WHEREAS**, the Yakima County Planning Commission held a public hearing on this proposal, September 8, 2021 and continued the hearing on October 13, 2021, and has rendered its recommendation to this Board in a document entitled “Findings of Fact and Recommendation” dated November 10, 2021; **and**,

**BOARD OF YAKIMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, this Board wishes to hold a public hearing on this proposal prior to making decisions on whether to approve, amend, or deny it; **now, therefore,**

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Board of Yakima County Commissioners that a public hearing will be held on **December 07, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.**, or as soon as possible thereafter, on the proposals as listed on the attached legal notice for the purpose of considering the proposed amendments.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clerk of the Board is hereby directed to post, publish, and distribute notices of the hearing as prescribed by YCC 16B.10 and as otherwise appropriate.

**DONE**    **NOV 15 2021**

*Attest:*

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Julie Lawrence, Clerk of the Board *or*  
Linda Kay O'Hara, Deputy Clerk of the Board

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Ron Anderson, Chairman

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Amanda McKinney, Commissioner

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LaDon Linde, Commissioner  
*Constituting the Board of County Commissioners  
for Yakima County, Washington*

**Board of Yakima County Commissioners  
Notice of Public Hearing**

**Proposed Town of Naches Emergency Urban Growth Area (UGA) Amendment**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that pursuant to resolution number 261-2021 the Board of Yakima County Commissioners will conduct an open record public hearing on **TUESDAY, December 07, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.**, or as soon thereafter, to consider an Emergency UGA amendment to the Town of Naches UGA to add an approximate 40.17 acres (file numbers LRN2021-00001/SEP2021-00010). The proposed amendment request, staff report, and SEPA documents can be found online at <https://www.yakimacounty.us/2588/Amendments>. Contact Tua Vang, Senior Project Planner, at 509-574-2300 or [tua.vang@co.yakima.wa.us](mailto:tua.vang@co.yakima.wa.us) for more information.

The public hearing will be conducted in person and virtually using the Zoom conferencing platform. The location of the in person public hearing is the BOCC Basement Conference Room, Room 33B, 128 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Yakima, WA. Persons interested in attending the hearing virtually can join the meeting via the Zoom link and/or telephone number below:

Participants, please join the meeting via the Zoom link or telephone number below. Join Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/94084501212?pwd=Q1VNdGVFcmJaTW9ORzREUUt1WWt2Zz09>

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**PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Your views on the proposals are encouraged. You may provide written comments up to the hearing and oral comments at the public hearing. In addition, all written comments received prior to the hearings will be considered. You may send written comments via email to: [julie.lawrence@co.yakima.wa.us](mailto:julie.lawrence@co.yakima.wa.us); via fax to: 574-1501; or via mail to: Board of County Commissioners, Yakima County Courthouse, 128 North Second Street, Yakima, WA 98901. Be sure to reference the file number of the proposed amendment in your correspondence.

Dated: November 15, 2021  
Publish: November 17, 2021  
Bill: Acct# 10826 Planning