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DATE: July 17, 2023

TO: Parties of Record and Interested Agencies

FROM: Olivia Story, Yakima County Planning Division

SUBJ: Case Numbers: LRN2023-00002/SEP2023-00009 – Short Term Rentals,
and LRN2020-00009/SEP2022-00037 –Accessory Dwelling Units
Notice of Public Hearing Date

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL

Parcel Numbers: County Wide

Proposal: The Board of Yakima County Commissioners (BOCC) will hold two open record public hearing on the following:

Short Term Rentals (STR): Yakima County Code, Section 19.18.420 Short-Term Rentals is being reviewed to ensure it addresses Short-Term Rentals level of review adequately. A Short-Term Rental is a residential dwelling unit or portions thereof, that is rented to overnight guests for fewer than 30 consecutive days. The proposed amendments to YCC 19.18.420 will consider lowering the level of review from a Type 2 review to a Type 1 review.

Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU): Yakima County Code, Section 19.18.020 Accessory Buildings and Uses is being reviewed and amended to ensure Accessory Dwelling Units are adequately addressed. Accessory uses are customarily incidental and subordinate to the principal use of a structure or site. Therefore, new accessory uses may only be permitted when a principal use has been established. The review intends to consider the level of review in addition to other requirements of the ADU.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The public hearing is scheduled before the Board of Yakima County Commissioners on **August 1, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.** 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. 2nd 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

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PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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The Yakima County Courthouse Basement, Room 33B, Conference Room 2 is handicap accessible. Arrangements to reasonably accommodate the needs of special classes of citizens, including handicap accessibility or interpreter, will be made upon receiving advance notice. This public hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. To submit comments, request the documents in an alternate format, or arrange accommodations with at least one-week notice, please contact Julie Lawrence, Clerk of the Board at (509) 574-1500 or the ADA Coordinator at Yakima County no later than five (5) working days prior to the date service is needed.

Copies of the application and staff report are available at <https://www.yakimacounty.us/2572/Text-Amendments>. If you have any questions on these proposals, please contact Olivia Story from the Planning Division, at olivia.story@co.yakima.wa.us or (509) 574-2300.

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