

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF LEWIS, TO REPEAL AND	)	
REPLACE CHAPTER 17.12, PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, AND AMEND	)	
CHAPTER 17.05, GENERAL PROVISIONS, OF THE LEWIS COUNTY	)	ORDINANCE NO. 21-1330
CODE	)	

WHEREAS, Lewis County is required to plan under the Growth Management Act in accordance to RCW 36.70A.040; and

WHEREAS, RCW 36.70A.140 requires counties planning under the Growth Management Act to establish a public participation program that identifies early and continuous public participation in the development and amendment of comprehensive land use plans and development regulations that implement such plans; and

WHEREAS, Lewis County Code (LCC) 17.12, Public Participation Process, (Ordinance 1179) was adopted in 2002, amended (Ordinance 1297) in 2019, and is consistent with RCW 36.70A.140; and

WHEREAS, as provided for by RCW 36.70A.130 and RCW 43.21C.440, the Lewis County Planning Commission elected to conduct a periodic review and update of LCC 17.12 to improve the public participation process and to update LCC 17.05, General Provisions, to clarify the relationship to LCC 17.12; and

WHEREAS, staff provided notice for a public hearing on the proposed code amendments in the manner prescribed in LCC 17.12 on August 24, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2021, the Lewis County Planning Commission held a public hearing on the proposed code amendments in LCC 17.12 and 17.05

WHEREAS, following the public hearing, the Lewis County Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of the replacement of LCC Chapter 17.12 and amendments to LCC Chapter 17.05 to the Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) for their consideration; and

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2021, the BOCC passed Res. 21-XXX to hold a public hearing on Ordinance 1330 and directed the Clerk of the Board to provide notice of the hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Lewis County BOCC held a duly noticed public hearing on the proposed replacement of LCC Chapter 17.12 and amendments to LCC Chapter 17.05 on October 26, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Lewis County BOCC finds that the replacement LCC Chapter 17.12 is consistent with RCW 36.70A.130(2)(a), .020(11), .035, and .140 as described in Exhibit C Further Findings of Fact; and

WHEREAS, the Lewis County BOCC finds that the proposed replacement LCC Chapter 17.12 and amendments to LCC Chapter 17.05 best serves the residents of Lewis County;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that the BOCC hereby repeals and replaces Lewis County Code Chapter 17.12, Public Participation Program, as shown in Exhibit A; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the BOCC hereby adopts the amendments to the Lewis County Code Chapter 17.05, General Provisions, as shown in Exhibit B; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the BOCC hereby adopts Exhibit C as further findings of fact.

PASSED IN REGULAR SESSION THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2021.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Jonathan Meyer, Prosecuting Attorney

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

By: Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Gary Stamper, Chair

ATTEST:

Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM, Vice Chair

Rieva Lester, Clerk of the Board

Sean Swope, Commissioner