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PLANNING COMMISSION

CITY OF HUDSON LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE TEXT AMENDMENT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN REFERENCE WITHIN THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE SECTION 1201.03 - PURPOSE AND INTENT

RECOMMENDATION

The Planning Commission recommends revisions to Section 1201.03 of the Land Development Code to create stronger references to the Comprehensive Plan. Section 1201.03 stipulates the Purpose and Intent of the Land Development Code. Revising this section to include a stronger reference to the Comprehensive Plan will better enable the Planning Commission to implement the Comprehensive Plan's goals and recommendations.

The Planning Commission discussed this item at the regularly scheduled meetings of October 13, 2025, November 10, 2025, and December 8, 2025. The Planning Commission instructed City staff to coordinate with OHM Advisors and the City Solicitor to develop the draft text.

At the public meeting of the Planning Commission held at the regular meeting on December 8, 2025, the Planning Commission passed a motion to recommend City Council proceed with formal commencement of the attached amendment to Section 1201.03 of the Land Development Code, per the procedure of Section 1203.03.

Dated: December 19, 2025

CITY OF HUDSON
PLANNING COMMISSION

Sarah Norman

Sarah Norman, Chair

Chapter 1201
General Provisions

Section 1201.03 PURPOSE AND INTENT.

(a) Purpose. ~~The regulations~~ **purpose** of this Land Development Code ~~are intended to implement the City of Hudson Comprehensive Plan, as amended, and more specifically are intended~~ **is** to:

- (a) **(1)** Promote the public health, safety, convenience, comfort, prosperity, and general welfare;
- (b) **(2)** Secure safety of persons and property from fire, flood, and other dangers, and to secure adequate open spaces for light, air, and amenity;
- (c) **(3)** Conserve and stabilize property values through the most appropriate uses of land in relation to one another;
- (d) **(4)** Preserve and protect forests and woodlands, existing trees and vegetation, agricultural lands, floodplains, stream corridors, wetlands, and other sensitive environmental areas from adverse impacts of urban and suburban development;
- (e) **(5)** Facilitate the economic provision of adequate public facilities such as transportation, water supply, sewage disposal, drainage, electricity, public schools, parks, and other public services and requirements;
- (f) **(6)** Prevent congestion in travel and transportation, reduce community dependence on automobile travel, and encourage trip consolidation;
- (g) **(7)** Preserve and protect the architecture, history, and small-town character of the historic village core;
- (h) **(8)** Encourage innovative residential development so that growing demand for housing may be met by greater variety in type, design, and layout of dwellings, and by conservation and more efficient use of open space ancillary to such dwellings;
- (i) **(9)** Encourage nonresidential development that preserves and protects the character of the community, including its natural landscape, and that minimizes objectionable noise, glare, odor, traffic and other impacts of such development, especially when adjacent to residential uses or to the historic village core;
- (j) **(10)** Manage overall community growth, including population and employment growth, to benefit the community and to encourage fiscally efficient and orderly development; and
- (k) **(11)** Encourage a balance of residential and non-residential uses and development in the community so that future growth occurs in a fiscally prudent manner.

(b) Intent. The intent of this Land Development Code is to implement the City of Hudson Comprehensive Plan, as amended, and more specifically to promote land use

and development activities within the City that are in agreement with the following Comprehensive Plan elements:

(1) City of Hudson Vision Statement;

(2) Future Land Use Map;

(3) Vision for the Focus Areas within the Comprehensive Plan; and

(4) Plan Goals and Objectives.

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