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HEARING EXAMINER AGENDA Hybrid – In-person and Zoom Webinar 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 26, 2025

The City of Bellingham Hearing Examiner will hold an in-person and virtual Zoom public hearing to take testimony on the following proposals:

1. <u>VAC2024-0001</u>: A public hearing to consider a Street Vacation Petition for Army Street between W. Holly Street and Roeder Avenue, except that portion abutting the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) owned property. The subject right-of-way is generally 80 feet wide and 278 feet long (except for the portion abutting BNSF property) for a total area of 19,320 square feet and is in the Old Town Urban Village. The Petitioner intends to combine the right-of-way with the abutting property at 315 W. Holly Street and develop the property with surface parking in conjunction with a climbing gym and housing. Gabe Rogel, Petitioner. Commercial land use designation. City Center Neighborhood, Area 5.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

In writing:

All interested persons are invited to comment on the above applications. Written comments by mail and email are accepted and strongly encouraged. Send written to the Planning & Community Development, 210 Lottie Street, Bellingham, WA 98225 or email, planning@cob.org. Written comments received prior to 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 18, 2025, will be included in the online published packet. Comments received after that will be distributed to the Hearing Examiner for consideration but may not be included in the online published packet. All written comments should be submitted before the close of the comment period but will be accepted if received by 5:00 p.m. on the hearing date. You may also request a copy of the Hearing Examiner's decision and your appeal rights.

Attend in-person at 6:00 p.m., City Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 210 Lottie Street, Bellingham, Washington.

At the live webinar by computer:

Anyone wishing to testify live during the public hearing can do so by registering at the following link: https://www.cob.org/he022625

This link can be used before the meeting to pre-register or during the meeting to register and immediately join the meeting. <u>Pre-registration is strongly encouraged</u>. Once you are registered, you will receive an email with a link to the meeting.

At the live webinar by phone (audio only):

Those who would like to participate by phone can do so using any of the following phone numbers:

- (253) 215-8782
- (346) 248-7799
- (669) 900-6833
- (301) 715-8592
- (312) 626-6799
- (929) 205-6099

Meeting ID: 851-3056-0714

Password: 9

The record will be held open for two business days to accept post-hearing written public comment from anyone who had technology issues that prevented them from testifying at the hearing.

The application materials and staff reports will be available on-line at <u>cob.org/hematerials</u> approximately one week before the virtual public hearing.

A Citizen's Guide to Remote Hearing's is available on-line at: www.cob.org/zoomguide

The City of Bellingham will provide a variety of accommodations and services for access and communications. Individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in City programs, services or activities and need an accommodation can submit a request for accommodation to the City by completing the online Request for Accommodation form (available at www.cob.org/ADA). As always, elevator access to the 2nd floor is available at City Hall's west entrance.

Note: This hearing will be video and audio recorded.