

# Memorandum

**REPORT TO:** Community Development Board

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**SUBJECT:** Work Session in Preparation for Upcoming Public Hearings and Review Process of the Unified Development Code Update, application 21381

**MEETING DATE:** October 20, 2025

**AGENDA ITEM TYPE:** Community Development - Legislative

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive information and expand understanding of proposed code language.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** 4.2 High Quality Urban Approach: Continue to support high-quality planning, ranging from building design to neighborhood layouts, while pursuing urban approaches to issues such as multimodal transportation, infill, density, connected trails and parks, and walkable neighborhoods.

**BACKGROUND:** The City began the code update process in 2022. The project website, [Engage Bozeman](#) [external link] contains public input results, information on the project, and materials from the many public meetings and engagement tools throughout the project; as well as the updated draft and map.

The City released the updated draft of Chapter 38, Unified Development Code, for public review on Sept 19, 2025. This updated draft text and map include revisions based on months of public input, five City Commission worksessions considering the received public input and directing revisions, and changed state laws.

The new draft text and map are available for public review. Summaries of changes from the prior draft text and map are included on the Engage Bozeman website under the Code Documents section.

[Draft Chapter 38 text](#)  
[Draft zoning map](#)

As identified in the [public notice](#) [external PDF], the Community Development Board will begin the public hearing on November 3rd and continue the hearing to November 17th. This presentation will show where to find the new materials, go over highlights of the changes, and outline the public hearing and review process. This will assist the Board and public to prepare for the public hearings.

**UNRESOLVED ISSUES:** None, as a work session no decision is required with this item.

**ALTERNATIVES:** None, no decision required with this item.

**FISCAL EFFECTS:** All funds for this project were previously budgeted.

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