

# Memorandum

**REPORT TO:** City Commission

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**SUBJECT:** Work Session in Preparation for City Commission Public Hearing on the Repeal and Replacement of the Unified Development Code, Chapter 38, Bozeman  
Municipal Code, Application 21381

**MEETING DATE:** November 18, 2025

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

**RECOMMENDATION:** No Action Required

**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 UDC repeal and replacement project in July 2022. After years of public engagement and discussion a draft is in public review for potential adoption. The Community Development Board is conducting a public hearing November 3rd and 17th. The public comment portion of the hearing closed on Nov. 3rd and the Board is in the discussion, motion, and decision phase of the hearing. At the conclusion, they will make a recommendation to the City Commission regarding the draft text and zoning map.

City Commission previously gave direction for revisions to the text at five work sessions held in the summer of 2025 and the draft under review includes the direction provided at those meetings.

To help the City Commission prepare for their December 2, 2025, public hearing, two work sessions are scheduled to review the draft materials. No decisions or direction are requested at these meetings. The meetings will go over draft content so the Commission and public can be well informed for the public hearing. Staff will provide a review and explanation on elements of the proposed material and the Commission may ask questions.

Subjects for each work session are:

- November 10th - Process of the public review, schedule, and required steps. Processes of individual application review included in the draft.

The recording for this [work session](#) [external link] is available.  
Discussion on the UDC begins at 37 minutes into the recording.

- November 18th - Standards included in the draft and recommendations from the Community Development Board from their public hearing.

The project website [external link] includes a wide range of information on public engagement and input received over the duration of the project, work sessions previously held, and content for the public hearings.

- Proposed [draft text](#) [external PDF]
- Proposed draft [zoning map](#) [external PDF]
- The Community Development Board [information packet](#) [external link] for their hearing on November 3rd is available on the City's website.

**UNRESOLVED ISSUES:** Not applicable at this time.

**ALTERNATIVES:** Not applicable at this time.

**FISCAL EFFECTS:** Funds for this project were previously budgeted.

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