

OAK RIDGE MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 15, 2026

TO: Oak Ridge Municipal Planning Commission Members

FROM: Jennifer Williams , Planning and Development Director

SUBJECT: ED-6 Planning Principles

Background

The ED-6 parcel is an ~336 acre area adjacent to the Westwood subdivision which contains 3 mountain bike trails and serves as a connection from the neighborhood to the Lambert Quarry and BORCE Areas. Transfer of this property from federal ownership been contemplated for over 20 years and has been formally requested by the City of Oak Ridge.

Both the Comprehensive Plan (draft) and FY26 Strategic Plan identify the need for in-depth analysis and planning for any federally owned property transferred to the City. In order to begin this process for the ED-6 property, staff are requesting guidance from the Planning Commission and City Council to establish a list of principles that will guide the planning effort as it moves forward. These principles are intended to serve as a stepping off point; any future document or design that comes from the planning process will receive further City Council, Planning Commission, and public input.

Recommendation

Staff recommends the Planning Commission make a recommendation to City Council to establish planning principles for the ED-6 parcel.

Attachments:

[Draft Planning Principles](#)