

Memo

Date: July 17, 2019
To: Lewis County Planning Commission
From: Lee Napier, Director
RE: **Communication from LCWA**

On July 7, 2019, the Board of County Commissioner and I received an email from Craig Jasper representing the Lewis County Water Alliance (LCWA), advising that they intended to attend the Planning Commission meeting to present a request the Lewis County Code be amended. As staff to the Planning Commission, I will present this communication to you during the July 23, 2019 meeting and ask you for input regarding the next steps on this request. The information I have at this time, is included in this message. Note that I've taken an excerpt of a larger email thread to include the content that relates to the Planning Commission request.

As part of Agenda Item 5- Communications, I will ask the Planning Commission to consider how-in terms of information and resources- to proceed with this request. For example, what questions would you want to ask about a non-specific proposal? With that information in hand, the staff will prepare follow up response for a future Planning Commission agenda.

-Email Excerpt-

From: Craig Jasmer <craigjasmer@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 7, 2019 11:38 AM
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Cc: Lee Napier <Lee.Napier@lewiscountywa.gov>; craigjasmer@gmail.com
Subject: Tuesday 7/9 LCWA

Hello Commissioners,

I wanted to let you all know that we (Lewis County Water Alliance) plan to attend the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday at 6pm.

We will be asking the Planning Commission to amend the Lewis County Code, such that the Rural Area Land Use Summary (LCC 17.42.020) is aligned with the Lewis County Comprehensive Plan and the Washington State Growth Management Act. The code should not permit large-scale non-forestry and non-agricultural business in rural zones. We will also be asking that the code be modified to protect our water resources in rural zones by prohibiting large-scale commercial/industrial use of self-supplied water for non-forestry and non-agricultural business.

While our immediate goal is to prevent large-scale commercial beverage manufacturing in rural zones, we also wish to ensure that the code does not permit other large-scale business in rural zones.

Remember, on 6/17/19, Crystal Geysler emailed Lewis County stating they have no intentions to submit a building application. Therefore, the County should have no concerns that Crystal Geysler is entitled to any sort of vesting in this matter.

Sincerely,
Craig Jasmer
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