

# LARAMIE COUNTY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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#### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Laramie County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Marissa Pomerleau, Associate Planner

**DATE:** July 5, 2022

TITLE: PUBLIC HEARING regarding a Zone Change from A1 to AR for a portion

of the NE1/4 SW1/4 Section 16, T.14N., R.65W., of the 6th P.M., Laramie

County, WY.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Steil Surveying Services, on behalf of Marcella and Richard Simmons of Cheyenne, WY, has submitted a zone change application for this 14.09-acre property located at 11803 Glencoe Drive. The application requests a zone change from A1 – Agricultural & Rural Residential to AR – Agricultural Residential to prepare for an Administrative Plat to split the parcel into two (2) tracts.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The property is assessed as residential and is located in the A1 – Agricultural & Rural Residential zone district with a residence and two accessory structures on the property.

#### **Pertinent Regulations**

**Section 1-2-103(b)** of the Laramie County Land Use Regulations governing the criteria for a zone map amendment.

**Section 4-2-100** of the Laramie County Land Use Regulations governing the AR – Agricultural Residential Zone District.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The Laramie County Comprehensive Plan identifies the area as Rural Metro (RM). This designation generally includes areas within the MPO boundary. Residences can have private or small, shared septic or sewer systems. The average tract size may range from 2.5 to 5 acres depending on availability of services.

PlanCheyenne designates this area as Rural Residential (RR), which encourages clustered development of single-family residences. This designation states the average density should be 5-10 acres. Secondary uses are agricultural or rural in nature, including open spaces and recreation, equestrian uses, etc.

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The subject property is bordered by the A1 – Agricultural and Rural Residential zone district to the east, south and west as well as AR to the north. The average lot size for the surrounding area is 8.03 acres with surrounding uses being entirely residential. A change in zone district from A1 to AR would allow for a smaller tract size of 5.25 acres.

Section 1-2-103 (b) of the Laramie County Land Use Regulations specifies that in order to recommend approval of this zone change, the Board must find at least one of the following:

- i. That the zoning district map amendments or regulations are consistent with plans and policies of Laramie County; or
- ii. That the original zoning classification given to the property was inappropriate or improper; or
- iii. That there have been changes of an economic, physical or social nature within the area involved which altered the basic character of such area, and that the amendment will not detrimentally affect the area involved.

Criteria i. is met by conformance with the Laramie County Comprehensive Plan and PlanCheyenne, with the type of development.

Agency review comments were regarding minor clerical errors on the zone change map. A revised map was submitted addressing all comments. Public notice was provided per Section 1-2-104 of the land use regulations. There was no public comment received.

This application was heard by the Planning Commission on June  $23^{\rm rd}$ , 2022 and recommended for approval 3-0.

Staff finds the applications are consistent with the plans and policies of Laramie County.

#### **RECOMMENDATION and FINDINGS**

Based on evidence provided for the *zone change* request, the Planning Commission with staff recommend the Board find that:

- **a.** This application meets the criteria for a zone map amendment pursuant to section 1-2-103 (b) of the Laramie County Land Use Regulations.
- **b.** The proposed change in zone district is in conformance with the requirements of section 4-2-100 of the Laramie County Land Use Regulations.

And that the Board approve a Zone Change from A1 to AR for a portion of the NE1/4 SW1/4 Section 16, T.14N., R.65W., of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Laramie County, WY with no conditions.

# PROPOSED MOTION – ZONE CHANGE

I move to approve the Zone Change from A1 to AR for a portion of the NE1/4 SW1/4 Section 16, T.14N., R.65W., of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Laramie County, WY and adopt the findings of facts a and b as shown on the attached 'Exhibit A' – Zone Change Map.

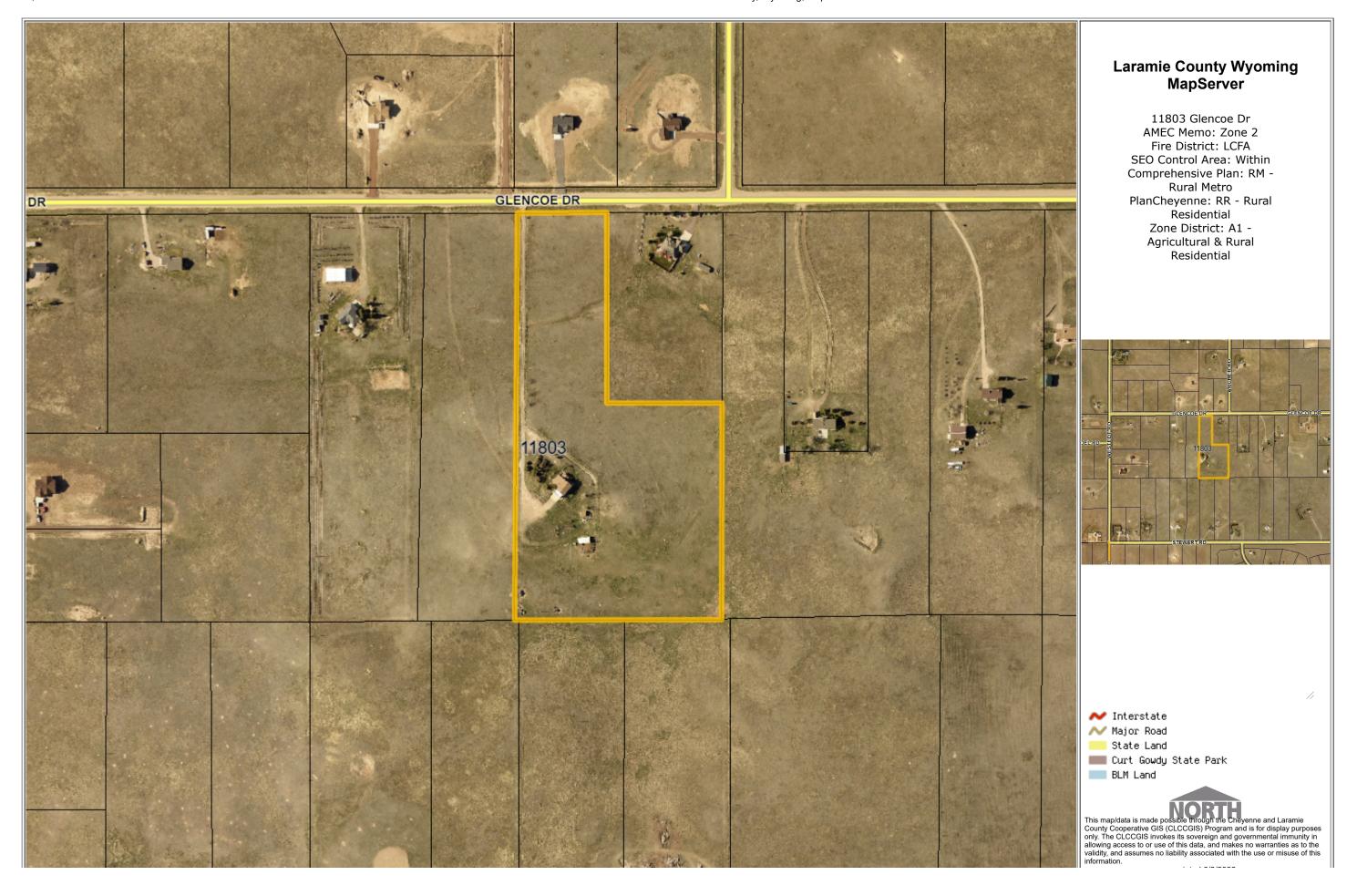
## **ATTACHMENTS**

**Attachment 1: Property and Jurisdiction Map** 

**Attachment 2: Combined Agency Comments Report** 

**Attachment 3: Resolution – Zone Change** 

Attachment 4: Resolution 'Exhibit A' - Zone Change Map



# Zone Change

Planners: Planners, Marissa Pomerleau Comments Attached 05/24/2022

- 1. The proposed tracts should be removed from the map with just existing conditions be shown.
- 2. Archer Estates, 10th Filing should be removed from the map. Only the existing legal description should be used as the new subdivision does not yet exist.
- 3. Remove the administrative replat language from the map. Remove the notes at the top of the map.
- 4. The surrounding land uses must be shown on the map.

#### AGENCIES WITH NO COMMENT

County Assessor, County Attorney, County Real Estate Office, Intraoffice

# **AGENCIES WITH NO RESPONSE**

County Clerk, County Treasurer

RESOLUTION NO.	
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# A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A CHANGE IN ZONE DISTRICT FROM A1 – AGRICULTURAL & RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO AR – AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL FOR A PORTION OF THE NE1/4 SW1/4 SECTION 16, T.14N., R.65W., OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., LARAMIE COUNTY, WY.

WHEREAS, Wyoming State Statutes §18-5-201 to 18-5-208; §18-5-301 to 18-5-315 authorize Laramie County, in promoting the public health, safety, morals and general welfare of the county, to regulate the use of land through zoning in unincorporated Laramie County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Laramie County Board of Commissioners previously adopted the Laramie County Land Use Regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed zone change is in conformance with the requirements of section 1-2-103(b) of the Laramie County Land Use Regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed zone change is in conformance with the requirements of section 4-2-100 of the Laramie County Land Use Regulations.

# NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF LARAMIE COUNTY, WYOMING, as follows:

The Laramie County Board of Commissioners finds that:

- a. This application meets the criteria for a zone map amendment pursuant to section 1-2-103 (b) of the Laramie County Land Use Regulations.
- **b.** The proposed change in zone district is in conformance with the requirements of section 4-2-100 of the Laramie County Land Use Regulations.

And the Board approves a Zone Change from A1 to AR for a portion of the NE1/4 SW1/4 Section 16, T.14N., R.65W., of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Laramie County, WY, as shown on the attached 'Exhibit A' – Zone Change Map.

ED THIS DAY OF
LARAMIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Troy Thompson, Chairman

