

# LARAMIE COUNTY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Laramie County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Seth Frentheway, Associate Planner

DATE: September 4, 2018

TITLE: Review and action on a Zone Change from A2 - Agricultural to AR -

Agricultural Residential for Destin Heights, located in a portion of Section

24, T.14N., R.66W., of the 6th P.M. Laramie County, WY.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Steil Surveying, on behalf of Land Investment, LLC, has submitted a Zone Change application for "Destin Heights" located south & west of the intersection of Christensen Rd & Beckle Rd. The purpose of the application is to change the zone district from A2 - Agricultural to AR - Agricultural Residential to prepare for a subdivision of the approximately 105 acres into (20) 5-acre single-family residential tracts.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Upon approval of the zone change by the Board, a Subdivision Permit and Plat application submittal would be required for the proposed subdivision. The applicant has provided a preliminary map, which is attached. The approval of the Subdivision Permit and Plat application cannot be approved if the Zone Change is denied.

## **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 designates this area as URI (Urban Rural Interface), intended to accommodate a mix of more intensive land uses than other areas. These areas may have public water and sewer services, a higher level of vehicular access, and a greater overall level of community services. Large lot, low density residential or intensive agricultural uses are generally less suitable.

PlanCheyenne contemplates Rural Residential uses for this property. The Rural Residential category emphasizes a mix of rural and residential uses and is not intended to be an area for intensive future residential development. Primary uses include single family residences on individual large lots; clustering is encouraged. New residential development in rural areas is generally one unit per 5-10 acres, depending on underlying zoning and availability of water.

The subject property is bordered by the AR zone district on the south, east and west, with the A1 - Agricultural and Rural Residential zone district to the north. Lot sizes vary in the area with the predominate size being approximately 5 acres. The proposed zone change request to AR for this application is consistent with plans and policies of Laramie County.

Public notice was published, and neighbor notice letters were sent by certified mail. Staff received no written comments from adjacent landowners.

The Laramie County Planning Commission held a public hearing of this application on August 23, 2018. Public comments were received at the hearing regarding the design of the proposed Preliminary Development Plan, road maintenance and fencing requirements. These development concerns should be addressed during the Subdivision Permit and Plat application process.

Per Section 1-2-103 (b) of the Laramie County Land Use Regulations, the Planning Commission must find at least one of three criteria in order to recommend approval of the zone change. The Planning Commission found that the application met criteria i, and recommended approval of the zone change request to the Board with a unanimous vote of 4-0 with the following condition:

1. Tract 21 and a portion of Tract 7, both owned by High West Energy, shall be excluded from the zone change map prior to recordation of the resolution.

A revised map was received on August 24, 2018 satisfying this condition, and is attached to the resolution as Exhibit A.

#### **RECOMMENDATION and FINDINGS**

Based on evidence provided, staff recommends 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 A2 - Agricultural to AR – Agricultural Residential for Destin Heights, located in a portion of Section 24, T.14N., R.66W., of the 6th P.M. Laramie County, WY.

## **PROPOSED MOTION**

I move to recommend approval of a Zone Change from A2 - Agricultural to AR - Agricultural Residential for Destin Heights, located in a portion of Section 24, T.14N., R.66W., of the 6th P.M. Laramie County, WY, and adopt the findings of facts a and b of the staff report.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1: Location Map Attachment 2: Aerial Map

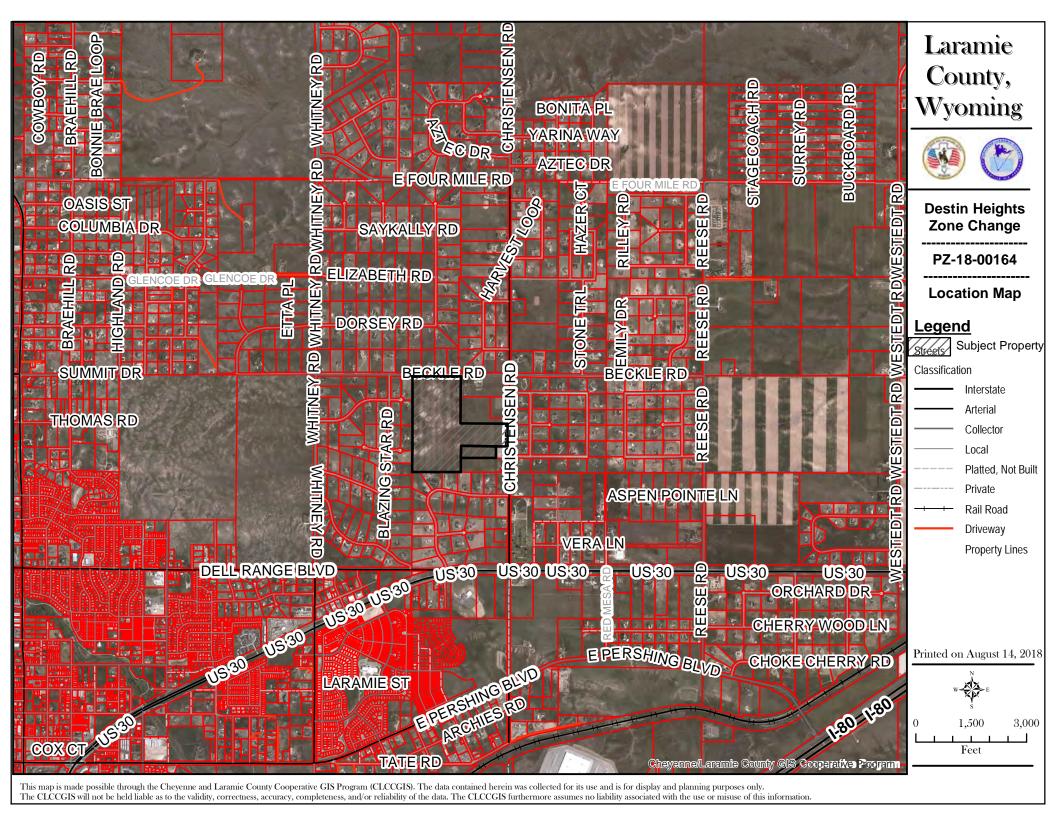
**Attachment 3: Comprehensive Plan Map** 

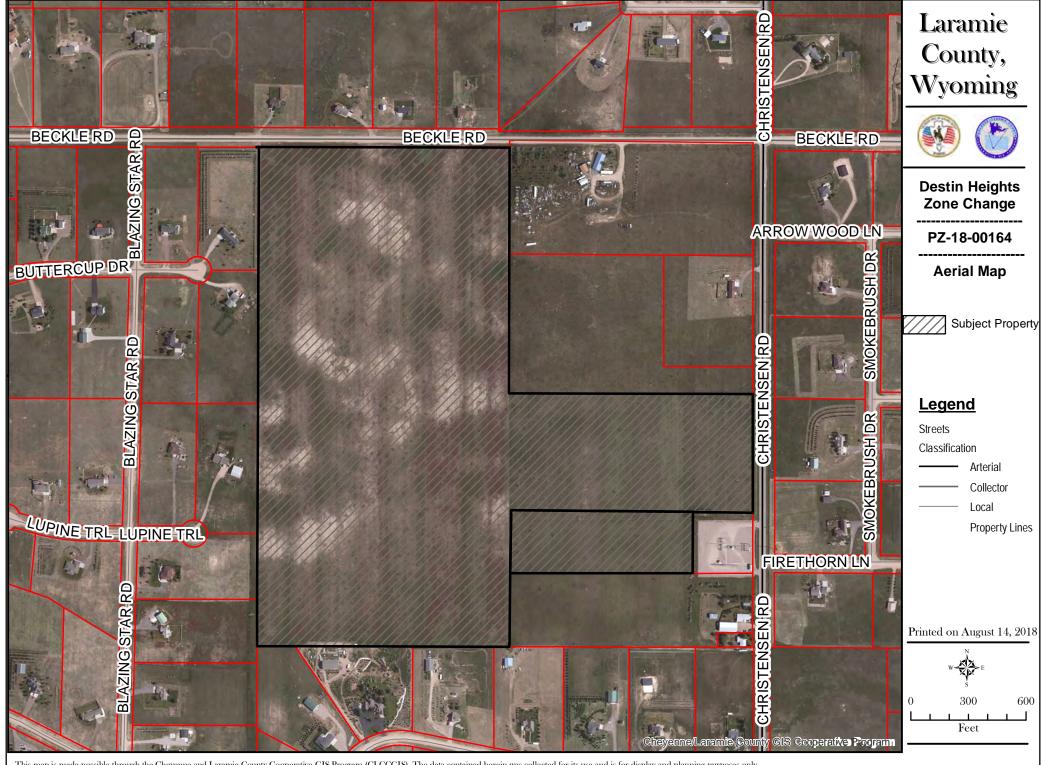
Attachment 4: PlanCheyenne Map Attachment 5: Current Zoning Map

**Attachment 6: Preliminary Development Plan** 

**Attachment 7: Resolution** 

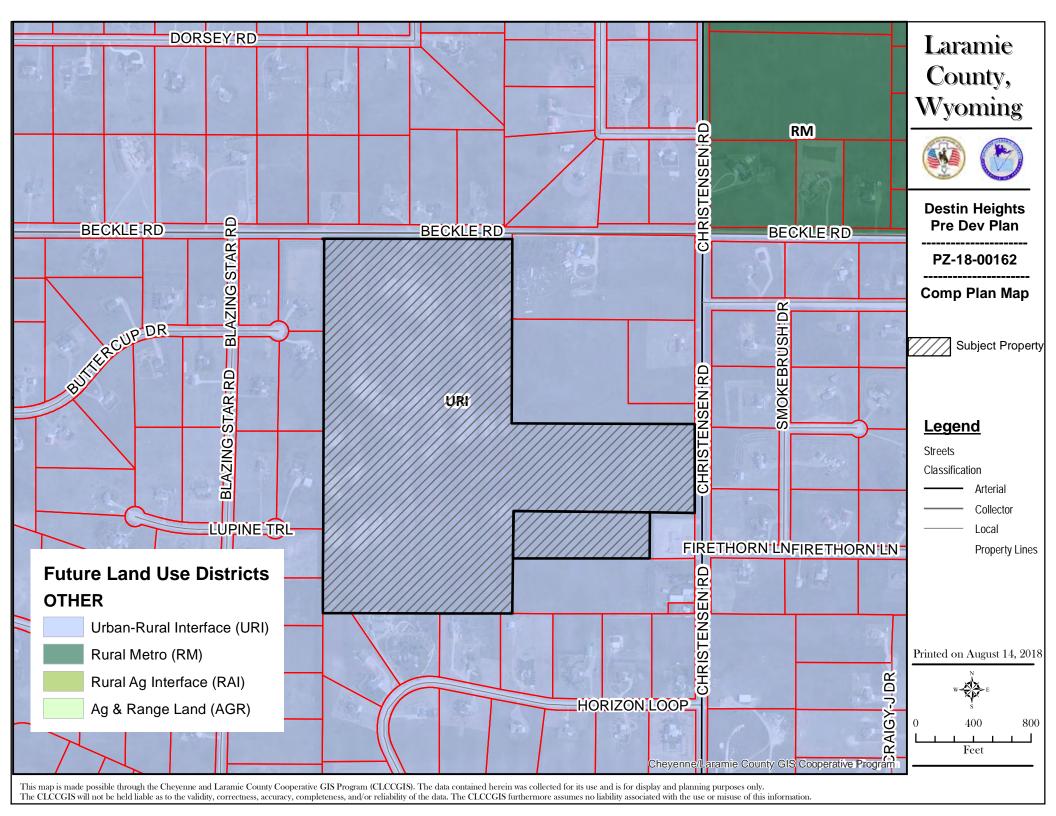
Attachment 8: Resolution Exhibit A - Zone Change Map revised 08.24.18

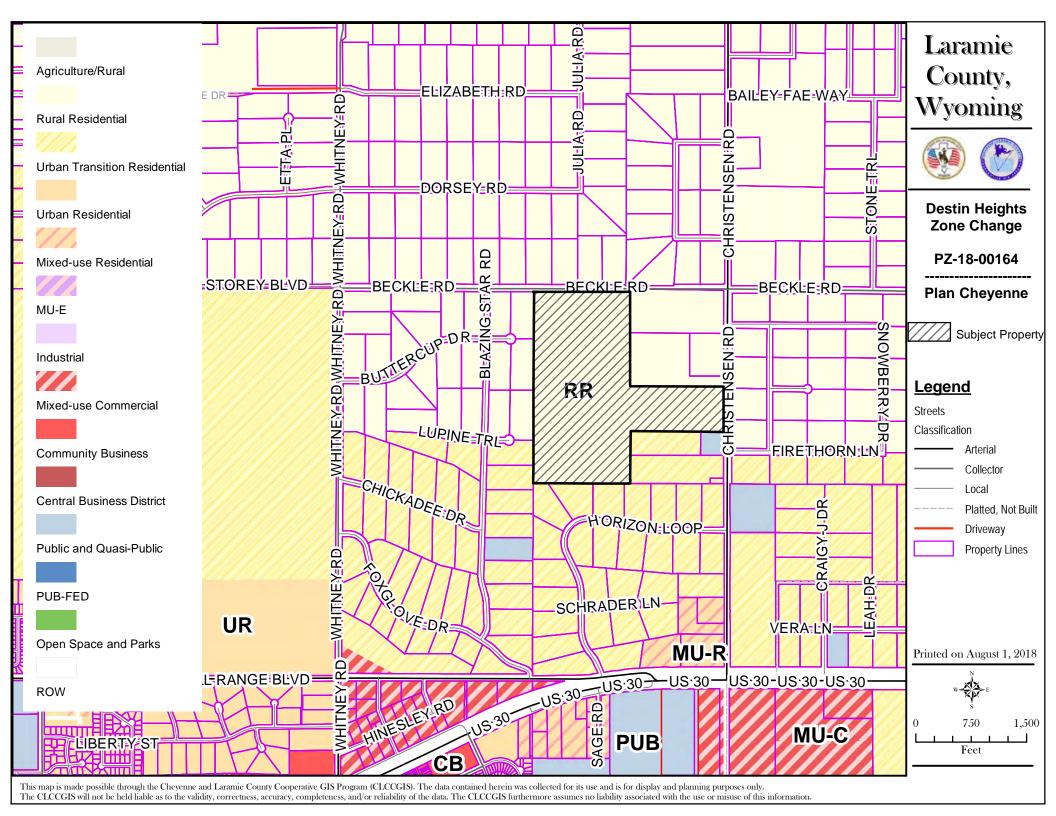


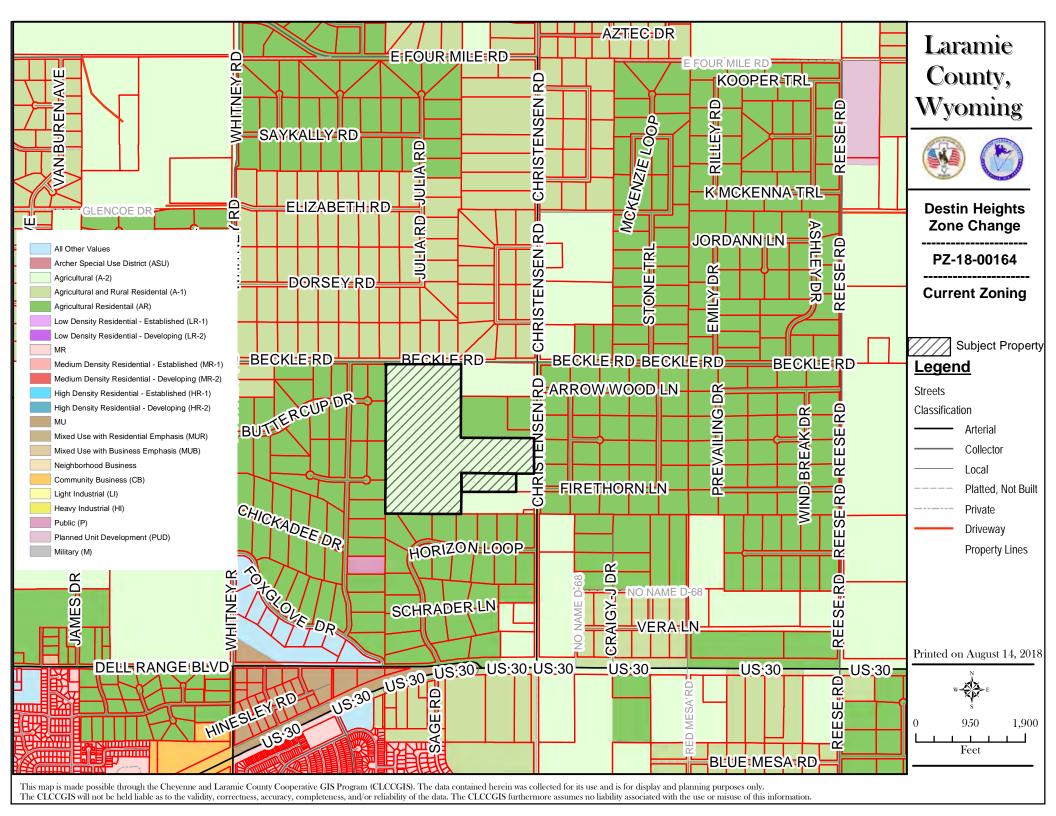


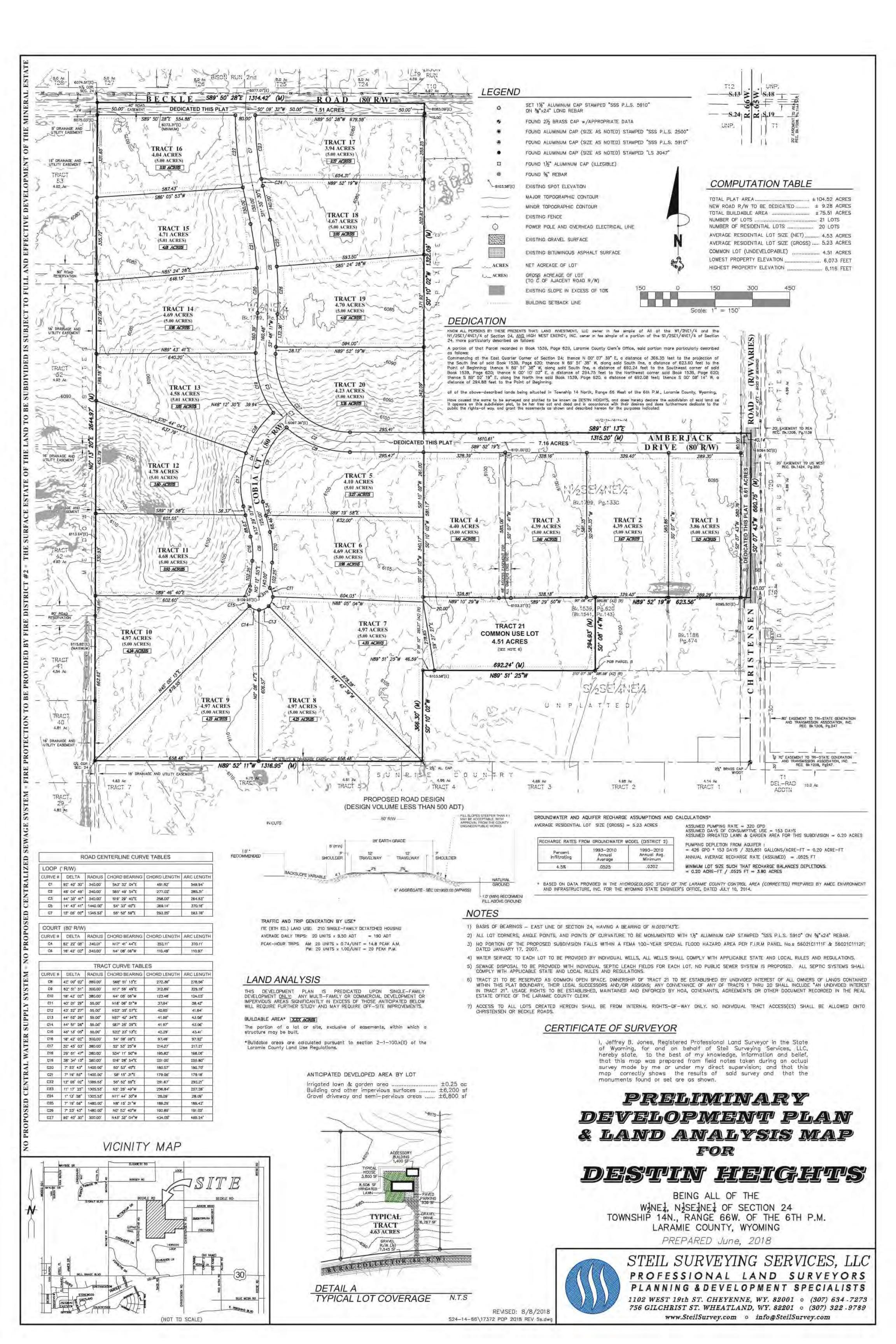
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RESOLUTION NO.

# A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A CHANGE IN ZONE DISTRICT FROM A2 - AGRICULTURAL TO AR - AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL FOR A PORTION OF SECTION 24, T.14N., R.66W., OF THE 6TH 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 adopted 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; 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

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

The Laramie County Board of Commissioners finds that:

Mark T. Voss, Laramie County Attorney

- a. This application does 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 approves a Zone Change from A2 - Agricultural to AR - Agricultural Residential for portion of Section 24, T.14N., R.66W., of the 6th P.M., Laramie County, WY, as shown on Exhibit "A", attached.

PRESENTED, READ AND ADO	PTED THIS	DAY OF
, 2018.		
	LARAMIE COUNT	Y BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
	K.N. Buck Holmes, (	Chairman
ATTEST:		
Debra K. Lee, Laramie County Cler	rk	
Reviewed and approved as to form:		

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