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- SUBJECT: County Board Ordinance Amendment 2020 OA-13 Town of Springdale Comprehensive Plan Amendment

DATE: July 23, 2020

CC: Todd Violante, Director of Planning & Development Roger Lane, Zoning Administrator Karin Thurlow Petersen, County Board Staff

This memo describes amendments to the Dane County Comprehensive Plan proposed by the Town of Springdale. Under intergovernmental cooperation policies of the Dane County Comprehensive Plan, town plans must be adopted by the county board and signed by the county executive before they can be used to make county zoning decisions. To assist county officials in their decision making, the Planning Division prepares written information describing any proposed town plan amendments. You may direct any questions to standing@countyofdane.com.

I. SUMMARY

On June 22, 2020, the Town of Springdale Board of Supervisors adopted amendments to the *Town of Springdale Comprehensive Plan*. The Town has requested that the Dane County Board of Supervisors adopt the revised *Town of Springdale Comprehensive Plan* as an amendment to the *Dane County Comprehensive Plan*.

II. BACKGROUND

- A. Ordinance and Plan Amended: If adopted, 2020 OA-13 would amend Chapter 82, Subchapter II of the Dane County Code of Ordinances to incorporate the amended *Town of Springdale Comprehensive Plan* as part of the *Dane County Comprehensive Plan*.
- B. Action required: The County Board and the County Executive must approve OA-13 for it to become effective. Town comprehensive plans are adopted as part of the Dane County Comprehensive Plan under s.10.255(1)(d), Dane County Code and Intergovernmental Cooperation Policies for Town Governments (pp. 77-78) of the Dane County Comprehensive Plan. The Dane County Comprehensive Plan is adopted under Chapter 82, Subchapter II, Dane County Code, s. 59.69, Wis. Stats, and s. 66.1001, Wis. Stats.

C. ZLR public hearing: The Zoning and Land Regulation Committee (ZLR) advises the County Board on proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments. The ZLR Committee has tentatively scheduled a public hearing on OA-13 for September 22, 2020.

III. DESCRIPTION

- A. OA-13 would amend the Dane County Comprehensive Plan by incorporating amendments to the Town of Springdale Comprehensive Plan, as approved by the Town of Springdale on June 22, 2020.
- B. On November 15, 2020, the Town of Springdale adopted the comprehensively revised Dane County Zoning Ordinance. Language throughout the *Town of Springdale / Dane County Comprehensive Plan* would be amended to include specific references to zoning districts under the new ordinance, indicate under which circumstances the town would support rezone requests to particular districts, and to describe the particular permitted and conditional uses determined to be consistent with the town/county plan.

IV. ANALYSIS

A. Comparison with current county-adopted town plan.

- Prior to November 15, 2020, most of the Town of Springdale was under the A-1 (non-exclusive) zoning district under the old county zoning ordinance. Because this zoning district was relatively permissive, the town/county plan focused almost exclusively on land division regulations to implement town goals, objectives and policies. Consequently, the current plan includes few mentions of desirable or objectionable zoning districts, and little guidance regarding permitted, conditional or prohibited land uses.
- The town's revisions incorporate the county's revised zoning ordinance throughout, and provide specific guidance to applicants, town and county officials about uses, permits, rezone and other applications under the new ordinance. The result is a clearer document that more fully utilizes the various regulatory tools needed to achieve town land use goals.
- B. Consistency with other provisions of the Dane County Comprehensive Plan:
 - Housing: No significant conflicts found.
 - Transportation: No significant conflicts found.
 - Utilities and Community Facilities: No significant conflicts found.
 - Agricultural, Natural & Cultural Resources: No significant conflicts found.
 - Economic Development: No significant conflicts found.
 - Land Use: No significant conflicts found.
 - Intergovernmental Cooperation: No significant conflicts found.