

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**Wednesday, November 4, 2026
(Remote Access Available)**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Columbia County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, November 4, 2026, at or after 10:00 a.m.** This meeting will be hybrid, allowing participants to attend online, or in person at the John Gumm Building and Civic Center, located at 251 St. Helens Street, St. Helens, Oregon 97051. Join the Teams Meeting ID: 290 449 999 593 68 Passcode: ac3tW2Yt If you have any questions or concerns regarding access to the meeting or need accommodation, please contact the Columbia County Board of Commissioners Administrator, Jacyn Normine, at jacyn.normine@columbiacountyor.gov or by calling 503-397-4322.

This hearing is being held in accordance with the provisions of the Columbia County Zoning Ordinance. The purpose of this hearing is to consider a Major Comprehensive Map Amendment to add 64 acres to the City of Scappoose Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) and to establish 480 acres of Urban Reserves (UR) (File No. PA 26-187), as well as a proposed amendment to the text of the Columbia County Comprehensive Plan to add a definition of “Urban Reserves” to PART IX: URBANIZATION - BACKGROUND section of the county’s Comprehensive Plan (File No. TA 26-187). The proposed UGB expansion would provide a 20-year supply of buildable land for the 2023–2043 planning period. The proposed Urban Reserves identify lands suitable for potential inclusion in the UGB during the subsequent 2043–2073 period to accommodate longer term residential, employment, and public land needs. If approved, these will be the first acknowledged Urban Reserve (UR) areas in Columbia County, and the proposed text amendment will acknowledge their purpose and meaning. You are receiving this notice because your property is part of the proposed UGB expansion area (28 tax lots) or the UR establishment area (117 tax lots).

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners is the final local decision-maker for all County Comprehensive Plan Map and Text Amendments. You may present oral or written testimony at the public hearing. If you wish to submit written testimony prior to the hearing, you may submit it via email to Jacyn.normine@columbiacountyor.gov or via first-class mail to Columbia County Board of Commissioners c/o Jacyn Normine, 230 Strand Street, St. Helens, OR 97051. All oral or written testimony and evidence must be directed toward the decision criteria.

A copy of the application, statement for the proposed changes, all documents and evidence relied upon by the applicant, applicable review criteria and the staff report will be made available for inspection at no cost at the Columbia County Land Development Services office, located at 445 Port Avenue in St. Helens, Oregon 97051 and online at <https://www.columbiacountyor.gov/Hearings> at least 7 days prior to the hearing. The proposed changes, as described above, may be amended at the public hearing.

The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to continue the hearing until another date and time. If the hearing is continued, no further public notice will be provided.

Spotlight: Please publish in your editions on **October 16, 2026, and October 23, 2026.**