

Memorandum

Date: September 10, 2024

To: Applicants Requiring Land Use Public Hearings

From: Tanya M. Washington, AICP *TW*
Director of Planning

Subject: Changes to Newspaper Ad Dates for Land Use Application Public Hearings

Effective July 1, 2024, §15.2-2204 of the Code of Virginia which addresses publication of notice of public hearings in the newspaper for land use applications has been changed to require the first notice to be published no more than 28 days (previously 14 days) before the hearing and the second notice to be published no less than seven days (previously 5 days) before the hearing. As an interim step to comply with the new law and the existing regulations in Sec. 32-700.60 of the Prince William County Zoning Ordinance, the Planning Commission public hearing notices will be advertised three times the three weeks before the hearing in the Prince William Times. The Board of County Supervisors public hearing notices will be advertised two weeks before the hearing on Tuesdays in the Washington Post. The Board of County Supervisors has initiated a zoning text amendment to update the county's Zoning Ordinance to reflect these recent changes in state law.

The Land Use Application Due Dates for Public Hearing Schedule has been updated to reflect the above timing for public hearing notice advertisements through the end of calendar year 2024. Please refer to that schedule, revised as of September 10, 2024, for information on the advertisement dates for specific Planning Commission and Board of County Supervisors public hearings.

If you have any questions regarding this schedule and associated procedures, please contact me at 703-792-7615 or Planning@pwcgov.org.

Attachment

Land Use Application Due Dates for Public Hearing Schedule, revised September 10, 2024

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