

DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Proponent: Thurston County Public Health & Social Services Department
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Description of Proposal: The proposal is for a Thurston County ordinance amending and adding an article to the Sanitary Code for Thurston County. The proposed code amendment would enact a new Article VIII of the Sanitary Code for Thurston County, effective January 1, 2021, to prohibit smoking and vaping in indoor public places, places of employment, and certain youth-oriented outdoor public places; require signs to be posted where smoking and vaping are prohibited; and establish provisions to administer and enforce the article.

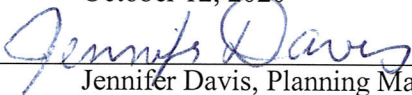
Because the proposed code amendments are not associated with a specific development proposal or site-based project, they are being reviewed as a Non-project Action, in accordance with the requirements of the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA).

Location of Proposal: Thurston County, Countywide
Section/Township/Range: N/A
Tax Parcel No.: N/A

Threshold Determination: The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact upon the environment. An Environmental Impact Statement is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(C). This decision was made after review by the Lead Agency of a completed Environmental Checklist and other information on file with the Lead Agency. This information is available to the public on the Thurston County website <https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/phss/Pages/smoking-vipp-sepa.aspx> or upon request.

Jurisdiction: Thurston County
Lead Agency: Thurston County Community Planning and Economic Development Department
Responsible Official: Joshua Cummings, Director

Date of Issue: September 22, 2020
Comment Deadline: October 5, 2020
Appeal Deadline: October 12, 2020



Jennifer Davis, Planning Manager

This Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) is issued under WAC 197-11-340. The lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date of issue or until the appeal period has passed, if applicable. No permits may be issued, and the applicant shall not begin work until after the comment and any appeal periods have expired and any other necessary permits are issued. If conditions are added, deleted, or modified during the 14-day review period, a modified DNS will be issued. Otherwise, this DNS will become final after the expiration of the comment deadline and appeal period, if applicable.

APPEALS: Threshold determinations may be appealed pursuant to TCC 17.09.160 if: (1) a written notice of appeal, meeting the requirements of TCC 17.09.160(4), and the appropriate appeal fee is received by the Thurston County Resource Stewardship Department within seven (7) calendar days of the last day of the comment period on the threshold determination and; (2) the person filing the appeal is an aggrieved party and submitted written comments prior to the comment deadline, per the requirements of TCC 17.09.160(2).

NOTE: The issuance of this Determination of Nonsignificance does not constitute project approval. The applicant must comply with all applicable requirements of Thurston County Departments and/or the Hearing Examiner prior to receiving permits.

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