



# Public Services

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DATE: May 7, 2018

TO: Marty Schoolcraft – Western Building Design, Keith and Keith Funeral Home, Interested Agencies, and Interested Parties

FROM: Yakima County Public Services Planning Division: Keelan McPhee, Project Planner

SUBJ: **Case Nos.: LRN2018-0005/SEP2018-0020  
Combined Notice of Completeness, Notice of Application, Notice of Environmental Review, and Notice of Future Public Hearing**

## DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL

On January 21, 2018 the Yakima County Public Services Department received an application for the 2018 Biennial Comprehensive Plan - Development Regulation (YCC 19) Text Amendment from Marty Schoolcraft at Western Building Design to allow for crematoriums in the General Commercial (GC) zoning district. The GC zoning district currently allows funeral homes *without* crematoriums as Type 1 uses in the GC zone. Cemeteries *with* crematoriums are not allowed in the GC zone. The applicants are arguing that funeral homes with crematoriums should be allowed in the General Commercial zone. The Planning Commission may also consider other commercial zoning districts in their review of the proposal.

**Location:** Countywide -- All General Commercial Zoning Districts in Yakima County.

## ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

This proposal is subject to environmental review. The Yakima County Planning Division is lead agency for this proposal under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). The environmental checklist and other information on file with the Planning Division are available to the public as described below. Comments on the proposal will be used to prepare an environmental threshold determination, which will then be issued for additional comments.

## COMMENT AND APPEAL INFORMATION

To view the application materials and SEPA checklist online go to: [www.yakimap.com/permits/](http://www.yakimap.com/permits/) and view the documents at the links for each case number, or you can view a copy of the application materials at the Yakima County Planning Division, 128 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Courthouse, Yakima WA 98901. Your views on the proposal are welcome, and any person may provide written comments on issues related to the proposal. All written comments received by 4:00 p.m., May 21, 2018 will be considered prior to making the preliminary environmental threshold determination. Mail your comments on this project to Yakima County Planning Division, 128 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Courthouse, Yakima, WA 98901. Be sure to reference the above case number in your correspondence. Copies of the final environmental threshold determination will be sent to those who comment or may be obtained upon request. There will be no administrative appeal of the final environmental threshold determination (WAC 197-11-680). The threshold determination is associated with a comprehensive plan amendment which is a legislative action, and is not subject to permit processing requirements specified in YCC 16B.02.090. If you have any questions on this proposal, please call Keelan McPhee, Project

Planner, at (509) 574-2300.

**NOTICE OF OPEN RECORD PUBLIC HEARING**

This application requires an open record public hearing before the Planning Commission. The hearing date is not yet known. You will receive notice of the hearing date when it is scheduled. Written comments for the hearing may be submitted to the Planning Division prior to the hearing, or provided at the hearing.

Encl.: Narrative information/Environmental Checklist –Agencies and Interested Parties

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