

TOWN OF GLASTENBURY
Planning Board Reporting Form for
Proposed Land Use & Development Regulations (LUDR)

This report is prepared in accordance with 24 V.S.A. §4441(c), which states:

“When considering an amendment to a plan, the planning commission shall prepare a written report on the proposal ...The report shall provide (:)

Brief explanation of the proposed bylaw, amendment, or repeal and shall include a statement of purpose as required for notice under section 4444 of this title, ...

The proposed amendment clarifies outdated information and policies, incorporates revised statutory language, clarifies the intent of existing land use districts, and introduces a waiver provision and a permitting process for special training events. Conditionally permitted special training events include outdoor wilderness trainings, firearm and field maneuvering exercises undertaken by local or state law enforcement or the Vermont National Guard, and hunter education activities.

And shall include findings regarding how the proposal:

(1) Conforms with or furthers the goals and policies contained in the municipal plan, including the effect of the proposal on the availability of safe and affordable housing,

The amendment consists mostly of minor updates and clerical corrections. The proposed document as a whole furthers Town Plan policies for natural and historic resource protection, safe and efficient transportation networks, and public recreation access. The amendment will have no direct impact on safe or affordable housing.

(2) Is compatible with the proposed future land uses and densities of the municipal plan,

The Town Plan states that the purpose of the Forest I and II Land Use Districts are to allow low density and low impact residential development and accessory residential uses. The Town Plan also notes the regional importance of Glastenbury’s undeveloped lands to accommodate a range of passive and active recreational activities. The proposed amendment conforms with the combined private, residential and public, recreational vision for Glastenbury outlined in the Town Plan.

(3) Carries out, as applicable, any specific proposals for any planned community facilities.”

Proposed revisions do not impact any specific proposals for planned community facilities.

The Glastenbury Planning Board has prepared this report on the proposed Glastenbury Zoning Bylaws, which will receive input at a public hearing scheduled for **Thursday, July 15, 2021 at 5:30pm** at the Bennington County Regional Commission (BCRC) offices located at 210 South St, Ste 6 in Bennington. The public is encouraged to attend via Zoom videoconference. Full meeting information posted on the BCRC website:

www.bcrvt.org/glastenbury.html

Questions may be fielded by the Administrative Officer of the Town by email: cbryars@bcrvt.org