



# Community Planning & Permitting

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**MEMO TO:** Referral Agencies  
**FROM:** Cayley Byrne, Long Range Planner I  
**DATE:** January 30, 2024  
**RE:** Docket DC-24-0001

**Docket DC-24-0001: Text Amendment to the Land Use Code related to Temporary Fireworks Sales**

Request: Review and comment on Text Amendment to the Boulder County Land Use Code related to Temporary Fireworks Sales.

Dear Referral Agency,

On January 9, 2024, the Board of County Commissioners authorized Community Planning & Permitting staff to pursue a text amendment to Article 4-517.H of the Boulder County Land Use Code (“the Code”) related to Temporary Fireworks Sales.

Community Planning & Permitting staff are pursuing an amendment to the Code to disallow the Temporary Fireworks Sales use in unincorporated Boulder County. Staff proposes to strike all language concerning Temporary Fireworks Sales from Article 4-517.H, leaving allowances for Temporary Christmas Tree Sales.

The draft Text Amendment, included here, is being referred to agencies so that feedback can be provided to staff.

You may also view the proposed Text Amendment and future revisions online at:  
<https://www.boco.org/dc-24-0001>.

The docket review process for the proposed Text Amendment to Article 4 of the Land Use Code will include a public hearing before the Boulder County Planning Commission and before the Board of County Commissioners. Public comment will be taken at both hearings. Confirmation of hearing dates and times will be published online at the link above and in local newspapers.

Community Planning & Permitting staff, Planning Commission, and the Board of County Commissioners value comments from individuals and referral agencies. Please check the appropriate response below or send a letter to the Community Planning & Permitting Department at P.O. Box 471, Boulder, Colorado, 80306 or via email to [cbyrne@bouldercounty.gov](mailto:cbyrne@bouldercounty.gov).

All comments will be made part of the public record. You are welcome to call the Community Planning & Permitting Department at 303-441-3930 or email [cbyrne@bouldercounty.gov](mailto:cbyrne@bouldercounty.gov) if you have any questions.

If you would like your responses considered and included in the staff packet for Planning Commission, please return them **no later than February 13, 2024**. Responses received after this deadline will be shared with the Planning Commission and incorporated into the staff packet for the BOCC hearing.

\_\_\_\_\_ We have reviewed the proposal and have no conflicts.

\_\_\_\_\_ Letter is enclosed.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency or Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Summary of Proposed Changes

The proposed changes to Article 4-517.H Temporary Fireworks and Christmas Tree Sales are shown below. Staff proposes to strike all language regarding temporary fireworks sales, leaving provisions for temporary Christmas tree sales.

### H. Temporary ~~Fireworks and~~ Christmas Tree Sales

1. Definition: Unless otherwise expressly provided in this Code, an operation which is open to the public and scheduled to occur over a period not to exceed 42 days in any calendar year. This use includes sales of Christmas trees, ~~or fireworks allowed for use in Boulder County.~~
2. Districts Permitted:
  - a. ~~For sales of fireworks, by Limited Impact Special Review in F, A, T, B, LI, and GI.~~
  - b. ~~For Christmas tree sales, By Limited Impact Special Review in F, A, T, B, LI, GI, C, and RR.~~ Use within RR is limited to property that is not in a platted subdivision.
3. Parking Requirements: To be determined through Limited Impact Special Review.
4. Loading Requirements: To be determined through Limited Impact Special Review.
5. Additional Provisions:
  - a. One non-illuminated identification sign not to exceed 32 square feet in total surface area shall be permitted.
  - b. This use may be allowed on a parcel with an existing Principal Use.