

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Harrisonburg City Council will hold public hearings on Tuesday, November 25, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., to consider the following:

Zoning Ordinance Amendments – Inpatient Substance Use Disorder Treatment Facility, Hospitals, and Other Related Terms

A request from the City of Harrisonburg to amend the Zoning Ordinance (ZO) to add a new term and definition for “Inpatient Substance Use Disorder Treatment Facility.” Currently, Inpatient Substance Use Disorder Treatment Facilities are allowed by right in the R-3, Medium Density Residential District per Section 10-3-48.3 (10). Amendments are proposed to only allow the Inpatient Substance Use Disorder Treatment Facilities use by special use permit in both the R-3 district and the B-2, General Business District. Currently, Hospitals are only allowed by right in the R-3 district. Amendments are proposed to only allow hospitals by right in the B-2 district and to add a definition for “Hospital.” Modifications to the definitions for the following existing terms are proposed: “Assisted Living Facility,” “Family,” “Nursing Home,” and “Professional Offices.” The term “Clinic” is proposed to be changed to “Medical Clinic,” modifications to the definition, and to continue allowing medical clinics as a by right use in the R-3, Medium Density Residential District, R-6, Low Density Mixed Residential Planned Community District; the R-7, Medium Density Mixed Residential Planned Community District; the MX-U, Mixed Use Planned Community District; the B-1A, Local Business District; the B-1, Central Business District; and the R-P, Residential-Professional District (Overlay), and to allow medical clinics by special use permit in the R-5, High Density Residential District and the M-1, General Industrial District. Also, proposed is a new term and definition for “Institutional Care Facility.” No changes are proposed to other district regulations including the other R-3 district, which is known as R-3, Multiple Dwelling Residential District.

Applications and other information are available for review by contacting the Department of Community Development, 409 South Main Street, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please call (540) 432-7700 to obtain a copy by email or by appointment. More information is available at www.harrisonburgva.gov/public-hearings. Interested parties will be able to attend the meeting and to watch the meeting on Public Education Government Channel 3 or 1084 and on the City’s website at www.harrisonburg-va.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx.

Publication dates:

Thursday, November 13, 2025

Wednesday, November 19, 2025