

I am writing to you to share a concern that I have regarding the emergency vehicle access and how or when it is happening or not happening around the county.

Currently, in code the only zone that is required to have access are F-2 properties. That is the only zone where it is spelled out clearly. In the other zones it refers you to Chapter 15 of Lane code. Then you get to muddle through that which is confusing and contradictory.

I have heard that the Goal One Coalition is going through some of the Chapters 15 and 16. I would like to have the access issue taken care of in this re-write so that emergency vehicle access in all zones. It doesn't matter what zone you live in you may have a fire or need an ambulance at some point to get to your home or business.

Currently the process is this, the notices get sent out, the fire department responds back to the planning department with the requirements that they need, and then the planners put the comments in as advisory or suggestions, no requirements. Or they land owner can sign a hold harmless agreement and have it recorded.

I plan on putting in a recommendation to the committee that is reviewing all of the recommended changes by the deadline. I am wondering if you have any other words of wisdom or ideas on how to get this done so that we can have safer communities where we live and work.

Thanks very much for your time.

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