

**CITY OF WEST RICHLAND  
ORDINANCE NO. 24-20**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST RICHLAND, WASHINGTON,  
RELATING TO RIGHTS OF WAY; PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF  
LOCAL ROADWAY PLAN FOR SECTION 8 OF WILLAMETTE HEIGHTS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of West Richland, Washington, ("City") was incorporated on June 17, 1955. At or about the time of incorporation the City encompassed lands identified as Section 8, Township 9 North, Range 28 East, Willamette Meridian, or has subsequently annexed said lands after the date of incorporation, which lands are commonly referred to as "Willamette Heights" and referred to hereinafter as "Section 8"; and

**WHEREAS**, many if not all of the lots contained in said Section 8 were acquired by their present owners, or the predecessors in interest of the present owners, by patents issued by the United States of America. These patents were authorized by several Acts of Congress, including as approved on June 1, 1938, (52 Stat. 609) which is commonly referred to as the "Small Tract Act"; and

**WHEREAS**, the City identified and adopted local roadway plan for Section 8 as early as 1993, which plan has subsequently been amended in 1999, December 2006, July 2011, August 2012, January 2013, January 2018, April 2018 and most recently on July 17, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the roadway plans for Section 8 identify existing or appropriate locations for a logical unified road system that utilizes previously established travel routes, respects topography, and prevents unnecessary roads from being created; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the City to hereby ratify and reassert the commitment of the City to the current roadway plan for Section 8; and

**WHEREAS**, the City proposed amendment of the Local Roadway Plan for Section 8 as an action of the City pursuant to the State Environmental Policy Act, Ch. 43.21C RCW ("SEPA"). The City's Public Works Department prepared SEPA checklist for said action dated May 20, 2020. After reviewing the SEPA checklist, the City's Community Development Department issued a determination of nonsignificance dated May 21, 2020, which also gave public notice of a 15-day comment period. The comment period closed on June 4, 2020. No comments were received that expressed opposition to the City's proposed action; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council on June 16, 2020 adopted Resolution 26-20 establishing a Public Hearing date of July 21, 2020 for the proposed amendment to the Section 8 Local Roadway Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council conducted a public hearing to consider the actions set forth herein on July 21, 2020, at which public comment was accepted; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that the actions set forth herein are consistent with the goals and policies of the City's comprehensive plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that the actions set forth herein are in the best interests of the public health, safety, and welfare;

**NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST RICHLAND, WASHINGTON, do hereby ordain as follows:**

**SECTION 1: Adoption of proposed amendment to the Section 8 Local Roadway Plan:** The Local Roadway Plan for Section 8, set forth in the attached Exhibit A, which is hereby incorporated by this reference as if fully set forth herein, is hereby approved and adopted.

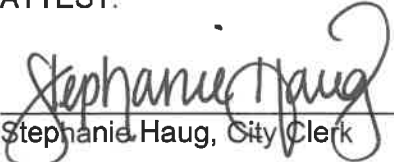
**SECTION 2: Severability:** If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

**SECTION 3: Effective date:** This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after its passage and publication as required by law.


**PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST RICHLAND, WASHINGTON, at a regular meeting thereof this 21st day of July, 2020.**

  
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Brent Gerry, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Stephanie Haug, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Bronson Brown, City Attorney

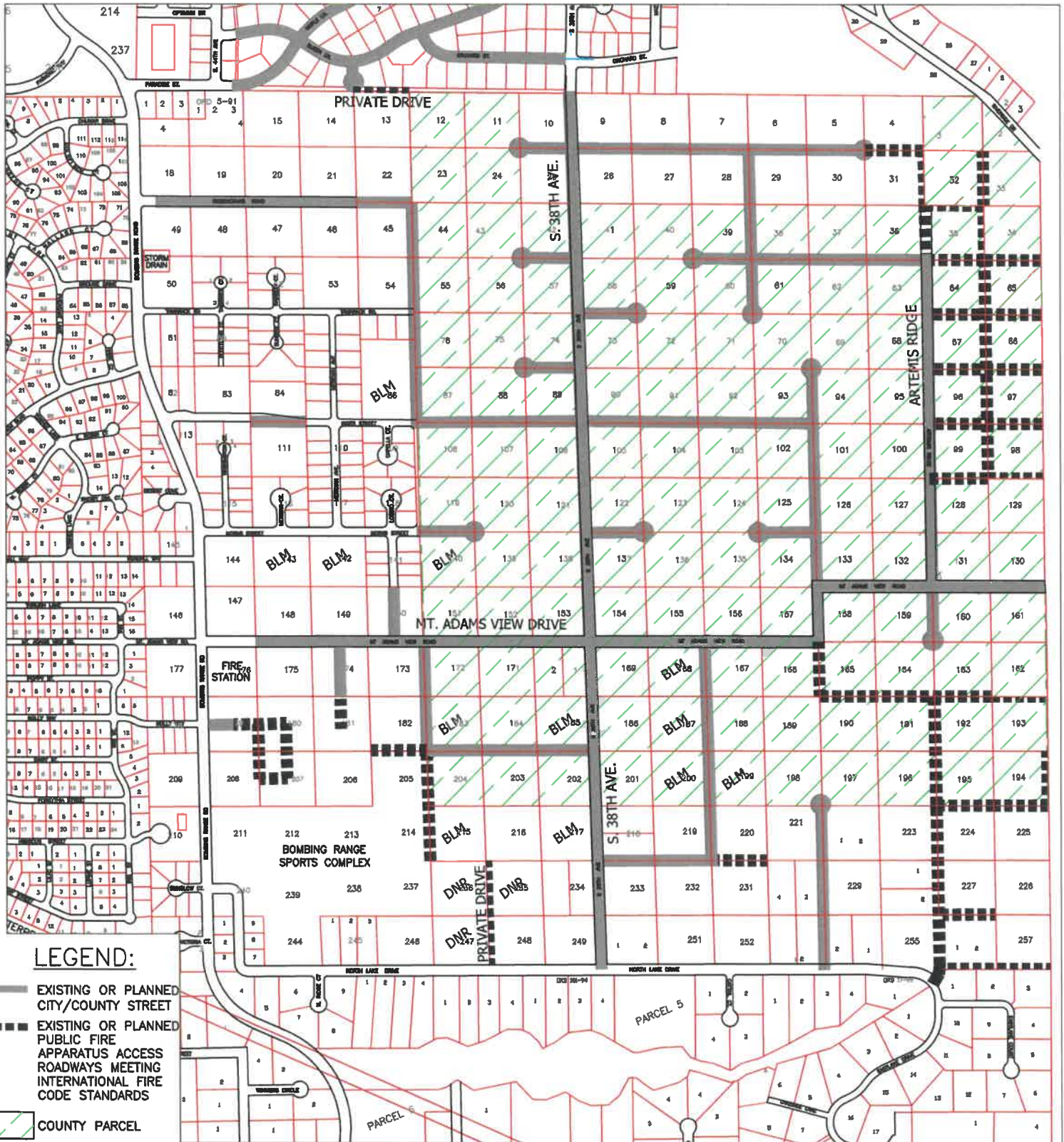
# CITY OF WEST RICHLAND



## SECTION 8 LOCAL ROADWAY PLAN



ORDINANCE 24-20 ADOPTED JULY 21, 2020



### LEGEND:

- EXISTING OR PLANNED CITY/COUNTY STREET
- EXISTING OR PLANNED PUBLIC FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROADWAYS MEETING INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE STANDARDS
- COUNTY PARCEL