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Issue of the Week: Land Use Code

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What is the issue?

On October 3 the Fort Collins City Council adopted on first reading a new Land Use Code (the "Code") replacing the existing Code adopted in 1997. The Code defines in great detail how our community is developed. Revising the Code has spurred much conversation around the City's future with respect to population growth and community character.

Why is it important to business?

The maximum number of dwelling units that could be developed within the city under the new Code would be greatly expanded while allowing for greater diversity of housing types to serve a growing population.

How does it affect business?

Think workforce - the guiding principles behind the changes allow more diverse housing choices and housing types, increase overall housing capacity and calibrate market-feasible incentives for affordable housing. For developers, builders, planners and contractors the new Code is more accessible, easier to understand and provides a clearer picture of desired outcomes.

Business's Role:

The business community should actively support the Land Use Code as adopted on first reading.

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