Kitsap County Department of Community Development



Hearing Examiner Staff Report and Recommendation

Report Date: July 7, 2022 Hearing Date: July 14, 2022 Application Submittal Date: August 25, 2021 Application Complete Date: November 8, 2021

Project Name: Hauan – Conditional Use Permit for Accessory Dwelling Unit **Type of Application:** Conditional Use Permit – Accessory Dwelling Unit **Permit Number:** 21-04619

Project Location 25680 TYTLER RD NE POULSBO, WA Commissioner District #1

Assessor's Account # 262701-3-014-2002

Applicant/Owner of Record

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Recommendation Summary

Approval, subject to conditions listed under Section 13 of this report.

1. Background

The applicant proposes to construct a 648-square-foot Accessory Dwelling Unit – Detached (ADU). The property has a permit issued for one 1,914-square-foot dwelling serving as a primary residence (permit 20-02778), occupied by the owner/applicant, and a permit issued for a detached garage (permit 20-06231).

According to the Kitsap County Assessor, the subject site is 3.56 acres. The site generally slopes from the east down to the west. The southern third of the site will be developed with a primary dwelling, accessory dwelling unit-detached, driveway, and the primary and reserve septic drainfield located on the southeast portion of the property. The reserve drainfield area is located north of the shop on the western edge of the property. There is a mapped critical area on the northwestern edge of the site. A field visit verified a slight ravine; however, the ADU structure is not within any wetland buffers or building setbacks.

2. Project Request

The applicant requests approval of a CUP to construct a 648-square-foot ADU. The ADU will

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be served by a private well and septic system. The ADU meets all applicable provisions applying to special uses per Kitsap County Code (KCC) 17.410060 B.3. as well as criteria for CUP approval per KCC 17.550.030.A.

3. SEPA (State Environmental Policy Act)

The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), found in Chapter 43.21C RCW (Revised Code of Washington), is a state law that requires the County to conduct an environmental impact review of any action that might have a significant, adverse impact on the environment. The review includes the completion of an Environmental Checklist by the applicant and a review of that checklist by the County. If it is determined that there will be environmental impacts, conditions are imposed upon the applicant to mitigate those impacts below the threshold of a substantial environmental impact. If the impacts cannot be mitigated, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) must be prepared. The decision following environmental review, which may result in a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS), Mitigated DNS, or the necessity for an EIS is called a threshold determination. A separate notice of the threshold determination is given by the County. If it is not appealed, it becomes part of the hearing record as it was issued, since it cannot be changed by the Hearing Examiner.

Pursuant to WAC 197-11-355, the Department of Community Development (DCD) used an optional DNS process for this project. The SEPA comment period previously occurred concurrent with the Notice of Application dated March 25, 2022 (see exhibit 14). The Department of Community Development issued a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) on June 29, 2022 (see exhibit 15).

The SEPA appeal period expired July 13, 2022. No appeals were filed; therefore, the SEPA determination is final.

4. Physical Characteristics

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Comprehensive Plan:		Proposed		
Rural Residential	Standard			
Zone:	Stanuaru			
Rural Residential				
Minimum Density	N/A	1 dwelling unit/3.56		
Maximum Density	1 dwelling unit/5 acres	acres		

Table 1 - Comprehensive Plan Designation a
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Minimum Lot Size	5 acres	3.56 acres , existing
Maximum Lot Size	N/A	3.56 acres , existing
Minimum Lot Width	140 feet	234 feet, existing
Minimum Lot Depth	140 feet	661 feet, existing
Maximum Height	35 feet	Two-story, <35 feet
Maximum Impervious	N/A	N/A
Surface Coverage		
Maximum Lot Coverage	N/A	N/A

Applicable footnotes:

Table 2 - Setback for Zoning District	
	Standard

	Standard	Proposed	
Front (West)	50 feet	50 feet	
Side (North)	20 feet; 5 feet for accessory	20 feet; 5 feet for	
	structures	accessory structures	
Side (South)	20 feet; 5 feet for accessory	20 feet; 5 feet for	
	structures	accessory structures	
Rear (East)	20 feet; 5 feet for accessory	20 feet; 5 feet for	
	structures	accessory structures	

Table 3 - Surrounding Land Use and Zoning

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Surrounding	Land Use Zoning	
Property		
North	Single-family residence	Rural Residential (RR)
South	Single-family residence	Rural Residential (RR)
East	Undeveloped	Rural Protection (RP)
West	Undeveloped	Rural Residential (RR)

Table 4 - Public Utilities and Services

	Provider	
Water	Private Well	
Power	Puget Sound Energy	
Sewer	Private Septic System Kitsap County Sheriff Kitsap Fire District No. 18 North Kitsap School District No. 400	
Police		
Fire		
School		

5. Access

Tytler Road NE is a combination of a County-maintained road that transitions to a private easement, which provides direct access to the project site.

6. Site Design

See attached site plan. The front setback is established based on legal access to the parcel from Tytler Road NE to the west. The ADU meets the zoning district setback criteria shown in Table 2 - Setback for zoning district.

7. Policies and Regulations Applicable to the Subject Proposal

The Growth Management Act of the State of Washington, RCW 36.70A, requires that the County adopt a Comprehensive Plan, and then implement that plan by adopting development regulations. The development regulations must be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan process includes public involvement as required by law, so that those who are impacted by development regulations have an opportunity to help shape the Comprehensive Plan which is then used to prepare development regulations.

Kitsap County Comprehensive Plan, adopted June 30, 2016, amended in 2018, and amended in 2020.

The following Comprehensive Plan goals and policies are most relevant to this application:

Land Use Goals and Policies

Land Use Policy 50

Limit the designed rural area to low residential densities that can be sustained by minimal infrastructure improvements, cause minimal environmental degradation, and that will not cumulatively create the future necessity or expectation of urban levels of service.

Land Use Policy 51

Permit residential uses in rural areas consistent with the planned rural character of the surrounding area.

Land Use Policy 53

Outside of the Type III Limited Area of More Intensive Rural Development (LAMIRD), limit development only to that which serves rural residential or resource needs and does not draw population from Urban Growth Areas. This policy is implemented through Comprehensive Plan Land Use designation, zoning designation, and zoning code provisions.

Housing, Human Services Goals and Policies

Housing, Human Services Policy 5 Use regulatory strategies to incentivize and provide flexibility for development of affordable and special needs housing. *Housing, Human Services Policy 7 Adopt regulatory changes to allow non-traditional housing types.*

Housing, Human Services Policy 11

Promote fair housing to ensure that all residents of Kitsap County have an equal and fair opportunity to obtain safe and sanitary housing suitable to their needs and financial resources, regardless of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, national origin, family status, income, disability, or other protected class.

Housing, Human Services Policy 12 Identify and remove regulatory barriers and limits access to or the provision of a diverse affordable housing supply.

Housing, Human Services Policy 13 Identify and remove impediments to creating housing for harder to house populations.

Housing, Human Services Policy 14 Disperse affordable housing opportunities throughout the County.

Code Reference	Subject	
Title 12	Storm Water Drainage	
Title 13	Water and Sewers	
Title 14	Buildings and Construction	
Title 17	Zoning	
Chapter 18.04	State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA)	
Chapter 20.04	Transportation Facilities Concurrency Ordinance	
Chapter 21.04	Land Use and Development Procedures	

The County's development regulations are contained within KCC. The following development regulations are most relevant to this application:

8. Documents Consulted in the Analysis

A complete index of exhibits is located in the project file. To date, the index to the record consists of exhibits 1-20.

Exhibit #	Document	Dated	Date
	Document	Dated	Received
1	Project Narrative		11/01/2021
2	Site Plan		11/01/2021
3	ADU Plans		11/01/2021
4	ADU Elevation		11/01/2021
5	SFR Floor Plan		11/01/2021
6	SFR Elevations		11/01/2021
7	Permit Questionnaire		11/01/2021
8	SEPA Environmental Checklist		11/01/2021

9	Stormwater Waiver		11/01/2021
10	Geotechnical Report		11/01/2021
11	Wetlands Report		11/01/2021
12	Health Department Building Site Application		11/01/2021
13	Conditional Use Memorandum	01/14/2022	
14	Notice of Application	03/30/2022	
15	SEPA Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)	06/29/2022	
16	Notice of Public Hearing	06/29/2022	
17	Certification of Public Notice	07/06/2022	
18	Staff Report	07/07/2022	
19	Staff Presentation		
20	Hearing Sign In		

9. Public Outreach and Comments

A Notice of Application (Exhibit 8) was distributed pursuant to KCC Title 21 land use and development procedures, which provided recipients with project information and an opportunity for public comment. The Department did not receive comments.

10. Analysis

a. Planning/Zoning

Per KCC section 17.410.060.B.3, in order to encourage the provision of affordable and independent housing for a variety of households, an ADU may be located in residential zones, subject to the following criteria. Staff comments are provided below (*italicized*):

a. An ADU shall be allowed as a permitted use in those areas contained within an urban growth boundary; Staff Comment: The subject property is not located within an UGA

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- An ADU shall be subject to a CUP in those areas outside an urban growth boundary;
 Staff Comment: The subject property is located outside of an UGA. This application is a CUP for an ADU.
- c. Only one ADU shall be allowed per lot; Staff Comment: This application proposes only one ADU. There are no other ADUs present or proposed.
- d. Owner of the property must reside in either the primary residence or the ADU. *Staff Comment: The owner will reside in the proposed single-family residence.*
- e. The ADU shall not exceed fifty percent of the square footage of the habitable area of primary residence or nine hundred square feet, whichever is smaller. Dimensions are determined by exterior measurements.

- f. Staff Comment: The proposed ADU is 648 square feet. The proposed residence is 1,914 square feet. Fifty percent of 1,914 square feet is 957 square feet; therefore, the ADU is limited to 900 square feet (the smaller value).
- g. The ADU shall be located within one hundred fifty feet of the primary residence or shall be the conversion of an existing detached structure (i.e., garage).
 Staff Comment: The proposed single-family residence and the proposed ADU are less than 50 feet apart, satisfying this requirement.
- h. The ADU shall be designed to maintain the appearance of the primary residence. Staff Comment: The single-family residence and the ADU are similar in appearance (Exhibit 4, Exhibit 6). The structure, and siding match the aesthetic of the existing house and garage.
- i. All setback requirements for the zone in which the ADU is located shall apply; Staff Comment: All setbacks required by the Rural Residential zone are met for the proposed ADU. Please see Table 2 – Setback for Zoning District.
- j. The ADU shall meet the applicable health district standards for water and sewage disposal;
 Staff Comment: The Kitsap County Health District reviewed and approved the ADU (Exhibit 12).
- k. No mobile homes or recreational vehicles shall be allowed as an ADU; Staff Comment: There are no mobile homes or recreational vehicles present on the subject property or proposed in this application.
- An ADU shall use the same side street entrance as the primary residence and shall provide additional off-street parking; and Staff Comment: The submitted site plan (Exhibit 2) shows the proposed ADU will use the existing driveway utilized by the single-family residence. The driveway will provide an additional off-street parking space.

b. Lighting

Lighting was not analyzed as part of this proposal.

c. Off-Street Parking

The proposal includes one additional parking space for the ADU.

Table	5 -	Parking	Table
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Use Identified in	Standard	Required Spaces	Proposed
17.490.030			Spaces/Existing
			Spaces

Single-Family	1 additional space	1	1
(attached or	for accessory		
detached)	dwelling units.		
Total	1	1	1

d. Signage

No signage is proposed or required.

e. Landscaping

Per KCC 17.500.010, single-family lots are exempt from landscaping requirements.

	Required	Proposed
Required	NA	NA
Landscaping		
(Sq. Ft.)		
15% of Site		
Required	NA	NA
Buffer(s)		
North	NA	NA
South	NA	NA
East	NA	NA
West	NA	NA
Street Trees	NA	NA

Table 6 - Landscaping Table

f. Frontage Improvements

Not applicable; there are no frontage improvement requirements for an ADU. However, there are access requirements that limit access to one road approach off a County road. This is addressed below under the access heading.

g. Design Districts/Requirements

Not applicable; the subject property is not located within a design district.

h. Development Engineering/Stormwater

Development Services and Engineering reviewed the land use proposal and finds the concept supportable in its approach to civil site development. Development Services and Engineering accepts the concepts contained in this preliminary submittal, with conditions (Section 13 of this report).

i. Environmental

The request is for approval of a CUP to build a 648-square-foot ADU. There are no environmental concerns or conditions for this proposal. The Kitsap County Geographic Information System (GIS) indicates the presence of a wetland on the

northwestern edge of the site. A field visit verified a slight ravine; however, the ADU structure is not within any wetland buffers or building setbacks.

j. Access, Traffic and Roads

Development Services and Engineering reviewed the proposal for compliance with traffic and road standards and recommended approval, with conditions (Section 13 of this report).

k. Fire Safety

The Kitsap County Fire Marshall's Office reviewed and approved the proposal.

I. Solid Waste

The proposed ADU will use the same solid waste services as the single-family residence.

m. Water/Sewer

The application includes an approved Building Site Application that shows approval for water and sewer from Kitsap County's Health Department (Exhibit 12). Potable water will be provided by a private well; sanitary sewage disposal shall be provided by an on-site septic system.

n. Kitsap Public Health District

Kitsap County Health District as reviewed and approved the proposal with no conditions.

11. Review Authority

The Hearing Examiner has review authority for this Conditional Use Permit application under KCC, Sections 17.550.020 and 21.04.100. The Hearing Examiner may approve, approve with conditions, or deny a Conditional Use Permit. The Hearing Examiner may also continue the hearing to allow for additional information necessary to make the proper decision. The powers of the Hearing Examiner are at KCC Chapter 2.10.

12. Findings

- 1. The proposal is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.
- The proposal complies or will comply with requirements of KCC Title 17 and complies with or will comply with all of the other applicable provisions of KCC and all other applicable regulations, including all applicable development standards and design guidelines, through the imposed conditions outlined in this report.
- 3. The proposal is not materially detrimental to existing or future uses or property in the immediate vicinity.

4. The proposal is compatible with and incorporates specific features, conditions, or revisions that ensure it responds appropriately to the existing character, appearance, quality or development, and physical characteristics of the subject property and the immediate vicinity.

13. Recommendation

Based upon the analysis above and the decision criteria found in KCC 17.550.030.A, the DCD recommends an **approval** of the CUP request to construct a 648-square-foot ADU, subject to the following conditions:

Review the linked Hearing Examiner decision for conditions of approval. The Staff Report conditions below are only recommended conditions to the Hearing Examiner and may not be valid.

a. Planning/Zoning

- 1. All required permits shall be obtained prior to commencement of land clearing, construction and/or occupancy.
- The ADU is subject to the payment of impact fees. Impact fees must be paid at time of permit issuance, or if deferred, must be paid prior to final inspection. No certificate of occupancy will be granted until all impact fees are paid.
- 3. Any proposed modification (not including cosmetic work such as painting, papering and similar finish work), remodel or expansion of the ADU building, regardless of whether a building permit is required, shall be reviewed by the Department of Community Development and granted approval prior to such modification, expansion, construction and/or issuance of a building permit.
- 4. Only one ADU shall be permitted on the subject property.
- 5. The owner of the property must reside in either the primary residence or the ADU and only one of the structures may be rented at any one time.
- 6. The ADU habitable area shall not exceed 50% of the primary residence or 900 square feet, whichever is smaller. The proposed size of the ADU is 648 square feet (see exhibit 3).
- 7. The ADU shall be located within 150 feet of the primary residence.
- 8. The ADU shall be designed to maintain the appearance of the primary residence.
- 9. This permit shall comply with all Kitsap Public Health District regulations and conditions of approval.
- 10. No mobile home or recreational vehicle shall be allowed as an ADU.
- 11. The ADU shall use the same side street entrance as the primary residence and shall provide one additional off-street parking space.
- 12. An Accessory Living Quarters (ALQ) or Guest House (GH) is not permitted on the same lot unless the ADU is removed and the ALQ or GH complies with all requirements imposed by the KCC.
- 13. A property with a primary residence and an ADU cannot be segregated to create two separate legal lots unless it complies with all subdivision, zoning and

density requirements in place at the time of a complete subdivision application.

- 14. The ADU cannot be sold separately from the primary residence unless it has legally been segregated onto its own lot.
- 15. The recipient of any conditional use permit shall file a Notice of Land Use Binder with the county auditor prior to any of the following: initiation of any further site work, issuance of any development/construction permits by the county, or occupancy/use of the subject property or buildings thereon for the use or activity authorized. The Notice of Land Use Binder shall serve both as an acknowledgment of and agreement to abide by the terms and conditions of the conditional use permit and as a notice to prospective purchasers of the existence of the permit. The Binder shall be prepared and recorded by the Department at the applicant's expense.
- 16. The uses of the subject property are limited to the uses proposed by the applicant and any other uses will be subject to further review pursuant to the requirements of the Kitsap County Code (KCC). Unless in conflict with the conditions stated and/or any regulations, all terms and specifications of the application shall be binding conditions of approval. Approval of this project shall not, and is not, to be construed as approval for more extensive or other utilization of the subject property.
- 17. The authorization granted herein is subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances. Compliance with such laws, regulations, and ordinances is a condition to the approvals granted and is a continuing requirement of such approvals. By accepting this/these approvals, the applicant represents that the development and activities allowed will comply with such laws, regulations, and ordinances. If, during the term of the approval granted, the development and activities permitted do not comply with such laws, regulations, or ordinances, the applicant agrees to promptly bring such development or activities into compliance.
- 18. The decision set forth herein is based upon representations made and exhibits contained in the project application (21-04619). Any change(s) or deviation(s) in such plans, proposals, or conditions of approval imposed shall be subject to further review and approval of the County and potentially the Hearing Examiner.
- 19. This Conditional Use Permit approval shall automatically become void if no development permit application is accepted as complete by the Department of Community Development within four years of the Notice of Decision date or the resolution of any appeals.
- 20. Any violation of the conditions of approval shall be grounds to initiate revocation of this Conditional Use Permit.
- 21. Construction plans and profiles for all roads, storm drainage facilities and appurtenances prepared by the developer's engineer shall be submitted to Kitsap County for review and acceptance. No construction shall be started prior to said plan acceptance.
- 22. Building permits submitted for this development shall include construction

plans and profiles for all roads, driveways, storm drainage facilities and appurtenances. No construction shall be started prior to said plan acceptance.

- 23. New and/or replaced hard surfaces do not exceed the 2,000 square foot threshold; nor does the project exceed 7,000 square feet of disturbed area. While a formal plan is not required, the applicant must consider all elements required of a stormwater pollution prevention plan and make allowances for managing erosion and sediment discharge on site as approved under 21-06231 and 21-02778. Per KCC Title 12, if the project exceeds either of the thresholds noted above, then additional review for stormwater management will be required.
- 24. If the project proposal is modified from that shown on the submitted site plan accepted for review November 8th, 2021, Development Services and Engineering will require additional review and potentially new conditions.
- 25. Any violation of the conditions of approval shall be grounds to initiate revocation of this Conditional Use Permit.
- **b.** Fire Safety N/A.
- c. Solid Waste N/A.
- d. Kitsap Public Health District N/A.

Report prepared by:

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7/6/2022

Date

Report approved by:

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Scott Diener, DSE Manager

<u>7/7/2022</u> Date

Attachments:

Attachment A – Site Plan Attachment B – Kitsap County Zoning Map Attachment C – Kitsap County Critical Areas Map

CC: Applicant/Owner Engineer or Project Representative Interested Parties: None Kitsap County Health District, MS-30 Kitsap County Public Works Dept., MS-26 DCD Staff Planner: Darren Gurnee





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Attachment B – Kitsap County Zoning Map



Attachment C – Kitsap County Critical Areas Map