

# Kitsap County Department of Community Development

# Hearing Examiner Staff Report and Recommendation

**Report Date:** October 17, 2024 **Application Submittal Date:** February 6, 2024 **Application Complete Date:** February 20, 2024

**Project Name:** Ang-McNabb – Conditional Use Permit for Accessory Dwelling Unit

**Type of Application:** Type III CUP-ADU

Permit Number: 24-00732

## **Project Location**

7936 NE Weavers Pass Dr. Hansville, WA 98340 Commissioner District 1

# Assessor's Account # 282802-1-007-2001

# Applicant/Owner of Record

Christine Ang & David McNabb 3169 SW Hawk Ridge Way Port Orchard, WA 98367

# **Recommendation Summary**

Approved subject to conditions listed under section 13 of this report.

#### **VICINITY MAP**



# 1. Background

The currently undeveloped 5.01 acre parcel is proposed for construction of a primary single-family residence with attached garage, and a detached ADU. The primary residence (permit 24-00469) will be 1,764 square feet and the detached ADU will be 874 square feet with an attached 384 square foot garage and a 98 square foot covered porch. The ADU is 102 feet from the SFR. Per Kitsap County Code (KCC) section 17.415.015 B.3.b, an ADU proposed outside of an Urban Growth Area (UGA) boundary requires a Conditional Use Permit (CUP). The project site is located outside of a UGA; therefore, a CUP approval is required.

#### 2. Project Request

The Applicants seek approval for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to allow the construction of a detached ADU.

# 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 "major" environmental impacts. 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 Nonsignificance (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 optional DNS process was utilized for this project The SEPA Comment period previously occurred concurrent with the Notice of Application dated March 1, 2024. A Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) was issued on August 9, 2024.

The SEPA appeal period expired August 23, 2024. No appeals were filed; therefore, the SEPA determination is final.

# 4. Physical Characteristics

The parcel is rectangle in shape and approximately 50% vegetated with trees and shrubs. Kitsap Parcel Search shows high erosion hazard and moderate landslide hazard in the northeast corner. The submitted site plan shows a mapped wetland on the west property line. According to the Kitsap County Assessor, the parcel is 5.01 acres and undeveloped.

Table 1 - Comprehensive Plan Designation and Zoning

Comprehensive Plan: Rural Residential Zone: RR	Standard	Proposed
Minimum Density	NA	1
Maximum Density	1 du/5 acres	1
Minimum Lot Size	5 acres	NA
Maximum Lot Size	NA	NA
Minimum Lot Width	NA	NA
Minimum Lot Depth	NA	NA
Maximum Height	35 feet	1 story, <35 feet
Maximum Impervious	85%	NA
Surface Coverage		
Maximum Lot Coverage	NA	NA

Applicable footnotes: NA

**Table 2 - Setback for Zoning District** 

	Standard	Proposed
Front (south)	50 feet	362 feet
Side (west)	20 feet	104 feet
Side (east)	100 feet (adjacent RW)	138 feet
Rear (north)	100 feet (adjacent RW)	112 feet

Table 3 - Surrounding Land Use and Zoning

Surrounding	Land Use	Zoning
Property		
North	Forest Land	Rural Wooded (RW)
South	Single-family residence	Rural Residential (RR)
East	Forest Land	Rural Wooded (RW)
West	Single-family residence	Rural Residential (RR)

**Table 4 - Public Utilities and Services** 

	Provider
Water	Kitsap PUD #1
Power	Puget Sound Energy
Sewer	Kitsap County
Police	Kitsap County Sheriff
Fire	North Kitsap Fire & Rescue
School	North Kitsap School District

#### 5. Access

The parcel is accessed from the south, via NE Weavers Pass Drive.

# 6. Site Design

The parcel is approximately half trees and shrubs with a couple cleared areas of lawn, where the buildings will be built. Minimal clearing and landscaping are proposed.

# 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 2020).

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

# 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.

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

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

# 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 the following exhibits:

Exhibit #	Document	Dated	Date Received
1	STAFF REPORT	10/17/2024	Received
2	ADU Floor Plan	11/28/23	2/20/24
3	Authorization Form	1/10/24	2/20/24
4	Geotechnical Letter	1/6/24	2/20/24
5	Geotechnical Report	10/5/22	2/20/24
6	Landscape Plans	1/8/24	2/20/24
7	Permit Questionnaire Form	2/9/24	2/20/24
8	Project Narrative	1/5/24	2/20/24
9	SEPA Checklist	1/10/24	2/20/24
10	SFR Floor Plan	1/8/24	2/20/24
11	Single-Family Wetland Certification	12/27/23	2/20/24
12	Site Plan	1/10/24	2/20/24
13	Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan		2/20/24
14	Stormwater Worksheet		2/20/24
15	Notice of Application	3/1/24	
16	Geotechnical Addendum	7/8/24	7/9/24
17	Revised Site Plan	7/8/24	7/9/24
18	SEPA Determination	8/9/24	
19	Notice of Public Hearing	10/9/24	
20	Certification of Public Notice	10/14/24	
21	Staff Presentation		
22	Hearing Sign In		

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#### 9. Public Outreach and Comments

The Notice of Application was sent out on March 1, 2024. No comments were received.

# 10. Analysis

#### a. Planning/Zoning

Kitsap County Code 17.415.015.B: In order to encourage the provision of affordable housing, an accessory dwelling unit (ADU), detached, located outside an urban growth area shall meet the following criteria:

1. Only one ADU shall be allowed per lot;

Staff Comment: Only one ADU is developed on this lot.

2. Owner of the property must reside in either the primary residence or the ADU;

Staff Comment: The property owner will reside in the primary residence.

3. The ADU shall not exceed fifty percent of the square footage of the habitable area of the primary residence or nine hundred square feet, whichever is smaller. Dimensions are determined by interior measurements;

Staff Comment: The primary residence will be 1,764 square feet, fifty percent of which is 882 square feet. The ADU will be 874 square feet, which is less than fifty percent of the primary residence.

4. The ADU shall be located within one hundred fifty feet of the primary residence or shall be the conversion of an existing detached structure (e.g., garage);

Staff Comment: The ADU is located approximately 102 feet from the primary residence, which is less than one hundred fifty feet.

5. The ADU shall be designed to maintain the appearance of the primary residence;

Staff Comment: The ADU is designed to maintain the appearance of the primary residence, using similar roof style, siding, orientation of siding, color scheme and windows.

6. All setback requirements for the zone in which the ADU is located shall apply;

Staff Comment: The primary and accessory structures meet the setback requirements for the Rural Protection Zone.

7. The ADU shall meet the applicable health district standards for water and sewage disposal;

Staff Comment: Kitsap Public Health District (KPHD) has approved.

8. No mobile homes or recreational vehicles shall be allowed as an ADU;

Staff Comment: The ADU is not a mobile home nor a recreational vehicle.

9. An ADU shall use the same side-street entrance as the primary residence and shall provide additional off-street parking; and

Staff Comment: The ADU uses the same access as the primary residence, off NE Weavers Pass Drive. The ADU is supplied with additional off-street parking.

10. An ADU is not permitted on the same lot where an accessory dwelling unit, attached (ADU-A), exists.

Staff Comment: There is no attached ADU on the property.

# b. Lighting

Lighting is not analyzed for ADU proposals.

# c. Off-Street Parking

The property has graded driveway, vehicle navigation and parking areas, providing the required 4 parking spaces.

**Table 5 - Parking Table** 

Use Identified in	Standard	Required Spaces	Proposed
17.490.030			Spaces/Existing
			Spaces
Single-Family	3 per unit, 1	3 + 1 = 4	4
(attached or	additional for ADUs		
detached)			
Total	4	4	4

#### d. Signage

Signage is not analyzed for this permit.

# e. Landscaping

Landscaping is not analyzed for this permit.

**Table 6 - Landscaping Table** 

	Required	Proposed
Required	NA	NA
Landscaping		
(Sq. Ft.)		
15% of Site		
Required		
Buffer(s)		
17.500.025		
North	NA	NA
South	NA	NA
East	NA	NA
West	NA	NA
Street Trees	NA	NA

# f. Frontage Improvements

Frontage improvements are not required for this permit.

# g. Design Districts/Requirements

No design/district requirements apply to this permit.

#### h. Development Engineering/Stormwater

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.

Stormwater quantity control, quality treatment, and erosion and sedimentation control, as required for the development, shall be designed in accordance with Kitsap County Code Title 12 effective at the time the Building Permit is deemed fully complete. If development meets the thresholds for engineered drainage design, the submittal documents shall be prepared by a civil engineer licensed in the State of Washington. The fees and submittal requirements shall be in accordance with Kitsap County Ordinances in effect at the time of Building Permit Application.

#### i. Environmental

There was a single family wetland certification submitted, prepared by ELS, dated December 27, 2023, identifying a category IV wetland on the property. It confirmed that all proposed structures are outside the buffer.

There was a geotechnical report, prepared by Aspect Consulting, dated October 5, 2022. It was accompanied by an addendum prepared by Envirotech Engineering and dated January 6, 2024. The addendum concurs that development may proceed as planning with a building setback of 30 feet from the top of slope exceeding 30%.

Specific guidance regarding the ADU was requested and a second addendum, prepared by Envirotech Engineering and dated July 8, 2024 was submitted. It confirms that Envirotech's findings and evaluation may be applied to the ADU as the moderate geological hazards present within 200 feet are equivalent for both developments.

# j. Access, Traffic and Roads

No comment at this time.

#### k. Fire Safety

No comment at this time.

#### I. Solid Waste

No comment at this time.

#### m. Water/Sewer

Property is outside the service area for KCPW Sewer Utility Division.

# n. Kitsap Public Health District

No comment at this time.

# 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 Kitsap County Commissioners have determined that this application requires review and approval of the Hearing Examiner. 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 Kitsap County Code
  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 Department of Community Development recommends that the A-CUP request for Ang-McNabb – Conditional Use Permit for Accessory Dwelling Unit (CUP-ADU) be **approved**, subject to the following conditions:

# a. Planning/Zoning

- 1. All required permits shall be obtained prior to commencement of land clearing, construction and/or occupancy.
- 2. The accessory dwelling unit (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 accessory dwelling unit (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 accessory dwelling unit (ADU) shall be permitted on the subject property.
- 5. The owner of the property must reside in either the primary residence or the accessory dwelling unit (ADU) and only one of the structures may be rented at any one time.
- 6. The accessory dwelling unit's (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 874 square feet.
- 7. Any future expansion of the ADU will require a building permit and would have to comply with all code requirements in place at the time of the new building permit application.
- 8. The accessory dwelling unit (ADU) shall be located within 150 feet of the primary residence.
- 9. The accessory dwelling unit (ADU) shall be designed to maintain the appearance of the primary residence.
- 10. No mobile home or recreational vehicle shall be allowed as an accessory dwelling unit (ADU).
- 11. An accessory living quarters (ALQ) or guest house (GH) is not permitted on the same lot unless the accessory dwelling unit (ADU) is removed and the ALQ or

- GH complies with all requirements imposed by the Kitsap County Code (KCC).
- 12. A property with a primary residence and an accessory dwelling unit (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.
- 13. The accessory dwelling unit (ADU) cannot be sold separately from the primary residence unless it has legally been segregated onto its own lot.
- 14. 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.
- 15. 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.
- 16. 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.
- 17. The decision set forth herein is based upon representations made and exhibits contained in the project application. 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.
- 18. 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.
- 19. Any violation of the conditions of approval shall be grounds to initiate revocation of this Conditional Use Permit.

# b. Development Engineering

- 20. 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.
- 21. Stormwater quantity control, quality treatment, and erosion and sedimentation control, as required for the development, shall be designed in accordance with Kitsap County Code Title 12 effective at the time the Building Permit is deemed fully complete. If development meets the thresholds for engineered drainage design, the submittal documents shall be prepared by a civil engineer licensed in the State of Washington. The fees and submittal requirements shall be in accordance with Kitsap County Ordinances in effect at the time of Building Permit Application.

#### c. Environmental

- 22. Permit approval subject to chapter 19.300.315 of Kitsap County Code, which states that buffers or setbacks shall remain undisturbed natural vegetation areas except where the buffer can be enhanced to improve its functional attributes. Refuse shall not be placed in buffers.
- 23. A 40-foot native vegetation buffer must be maintained along the delineated wetland boundary as depicted on the approved site plan. In addition, a building or impervious surface setback line of 15 feet is required from the edge of the buffer.

Prior to occupancy, the wetland buffer boundary shall be permanently identified with critical area buffer signs. Signs shall be placed along the designated boundary spaced approximately 50-feet apart, visual from sign to sign. Signs must be attached to existing trees with diameter breast height greater than 4 inches. Alternative methods include 4x4 posts, metal posts or split rail fencing.

Signs are provided at issuance and installation of the signs is required prior to final inspection and Certificate of Occupancy (CO).

# d. Traffic and Roads

24. The accessory dwelling unit (ADU) shall use the same side street entrance as the primary residence and shall provide one additional off-street parking space.

# e. Fire Safety

25. A fire suppression system is required for this project as a alternative means and method for fire apparatus access.

#### f. Solid Waste

No conditions

g.	Kitsap Public Health District
	No conditions

Rei	port	pre	pared	by:

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Kate Millward, Staff Planner / Project Lead	Date

# Report approved by:

TO	10/3/2024
Darren Gurnee / Supervisor	Date

#### Attachments:

Attachment A – Site Plan

Attachment B – Critical Areas Map

Attachment C – Zoning Map

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Interested Parties:

Kitsap County Health District, MS-30

Kitsap County Public Works Dept., MS-26

DCD Staff Planner: Kate Millward

# Site Plan





