



CHELAN COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER

Chelan County Administration Building, Room 1
This public hearing will be in a videoconferencing format due to the ongoing precautions associated COVID-19. Additional instruction to attend this hearing remotely will be posted on the website of Community Development. If you should have any questions, please contact, at Jessica.Thompson@co.chelan.wa.us or 509-667-6231.

September 4, 2024 at 9:00 AM

Chelan County Hearing Examiner: Andrew Kottkamp

Chelan County Staff: Clerk Jessica Thompson, Planner II Celeste Barry

Public/Agencies: Ryan Walker, Observer, Mike Kaputa, Erikabowie, Hans Andersen

AGENDA:

I. CALL TO ORDER

Hearing Examiner Kottkamp called the Hearing to order at 9:00 AM. No objections were given to Mr. Kottkamp running today's hearing. Instruction was given to attendees on how the hearing is conducted and how to participate, testify, and appeal a decision.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

CUP 23-144 Reindeer Farm - An application for a Conditional Use Permit for "places of public and private assembly" and "accessory uses which support, promote, or sustain agricultural operations" has been requested for additions to an existing Reindeer Farm located outside of Leavenworth, WA. The proposal would include adding indoor gathering space to the existing agricultural tourism use at the site. The Reindeer Farm has operated as a Farm Visit since 2016 for hands-on, educational experiences for all ages including reindeer education and conservation. The farm is open by appointment only during limited tour hours. The applicants are proposing to continue the farm visits and add a 60-person capacity geodesic projection dome for indoor educational purposes and occasional gatherings such as weddings or other events. An existing residence is also proposed to be removed and replaced with an open-air event pavilion which would include a catering kitchen. A new event barn is also proposed to be added in the future. The subject property is located within the Rural Residential/Resource 5-acre lots (RR5)

zone. Chumstick Creek runs through the eastern border of the parcels and the applicant has entered into a restoration agreement for Chumstick Creek buffer with the Chelan County Department of Natural Resources. 10395 Chumstick Highway., Leavenworth, WA 98826; and identified by Assessor's Parcel No.: 24-17-01-550-029 and 24-17-01-550-158 – **Celeste Barry Planner II**

Mr. Kottkamp discussed the application details and entered the staff report, application materials, site plans, public comments, and the entire planning staff file into record.

Chelan County Planner Celeste Barry presents the application; the proposed project meets the Chelan County code criteria for approval.

Sworn in to testify was Ryan Walker the agent representing the applicant and owner. Mr. Walker had no objections with the staff report or conditions provided by staff.

With nothing further from the public, agent, or staff. Mr. Kottkamp closes the record and will have a written decision within 10 working days.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing Examiner Kottkamp adjourned the September 4, 2024 meeting.