

**TOWN OF MORRISON, COLORADO  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
ORDINANCE NO. 539**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1 OF TITLE 10 OF THE MORRISON  
MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND REPEALING  
ORDINANCE NO. 535 REGARDING THE SAME**

WHEREAS, the Town of Morrison is a Colorado home rule municipality operating under a Home Rule Charter approved by the electorate pursuant to Article XX of the Colorado Constitution and governed by its elected Board of Trustees;

WHEREAS, the Board has authority pursuant to the Home Rule Charter and C.R.S. § 31-16-101, *et seq.* to adopt and enforce all ordinances;

WHEREAS, the Board approved Ordinance No. 535, which requires a community meeting following the passage of a substantial compliance resolution for annexation petitions to the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to repeal Ordinance No. 535 and replace it with a more comprehensive community meeting requirement for a variety of applications.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Morrison, Colorado:**

**Section 1. Repealer.** Ordinance No. 535, which added a new section 10-9-3 to the Morrison Municipal Code, is hereby repealed.

**Section 2. Community Meeting Amendment.** The Morrison Municipal Code is hereby amended by the addition of a new section 10-1D-7 to read as follows:

**10-1D-7: Community Meetings:**

A. *Purpose.* The purpose of the community meeting requirement is to inform the public of a possible land use change. The community meeting will provide the applicant the opportunity to answer any community concerns and solicit input about the proposal to achieve the best possible application.

B. *Applicability.* Applicants shall conduct a community meeting in conformance with this section after the pre-application meeting and immediately prior to formal and complete submittal of any initial zoning, rezoning, and special review use applications.

C. *Notice.* Notice of the community meeting shall be prepared by the applicant. Notification of the neighborhood meeting shall be sent by mail and electronically to all properties within one-half mile of the project site at least 15 calendar days prior to the meeting date.

D. *Requirements.*

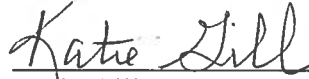
1. The applicant shall arrange the date, time, and location for the community meeting. The applicant shall coordinate with the Zoning Administrator at least 21 days prior to the community meeting. Community meetings shall be scheduled for Monday through Thursday evenings and shall start no earlier than 5:30 pm and no later than 7:00 pm. Community Meetings shall be held at a location that is coordinated with the Zoning Administrator.
2. The applicant shall present their request to the attendees at the community meeting, and the applicant shall facilitate the meeting. The Zoning Administrator may attend the community meeting and may provide information to the attendees regarding Town regulations. The applicant may desire to revise the application to respond to expressed concerns, prior to formal submittal.
3. The applicant shall include a written neighborhood meeting summary on the results of the neighborhood meeting with the formal application. At a minimum, the neighborhood meeting summary shall include the following information:
  - a. Proof of mailing notification for the dates and locations of all meetings where participants were invited to discuss the applicant's proposal;
  - b. Copies of the sign-in sheets;
  - c. A summary of topics discussed by the applicant and concerns, issues, and problems expressed by the participants; and
  - d. A summary of how the applicant addressed identified issues or why the applicant was unable to do so.
4. If a formal application has not been submitted within one year of the community meeting, the applicant will be required to hold a new community meeting prior to submitting a formal application.

**Section 3. Severability.** If any article, section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance, or the standards adopted herein is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision will not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The Board of Trustees hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each part hereof irrespective of the fact that any one part or parts are declared unconstitutional or invalid.

**Section 4. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall take effect 15 days after adoption and publication in accordance with Section 3.9 and 3.14 of the Home Rule Charter.

**INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023, by a vote of 4 ayes and 1 nay.

**TOWN OF MORRISON**



Katie Gill, Mayor Pro Tem

**ATTEST:**



Courtney Christensen, Deputy Town Clerk

