

**Eugene Code Chapter 9 Approval Criteria for  
Metro Plan Amendments, Code Amendments, Refinement Plan Amendments,  
Zone Changes and Envision Eugene Comprehensive Plan Amendments  
(*Envision Eugene Urban Growth Boundary Project*)**

**EC 9.7735 Metro Plan Amendments – Criteria for Approval.** The following criteria shall be applied by the city council in approving or denying a Metro Plan amendment application:

- (1) The proposed amendment is consistent with the relevant Statewide Planning Goals;**
- (2) The proposed amendment does not make the Metro Plan internally inconsistent.**
- (3) When the city-specific local comprehensive plan also applies, the proposed amendment is consistent with the city-specific local comprehensive plan.**

**EC 9.8065 Code Amendment Approval Criteria.**

- (1) Is consistent with applicable statewide planning goals as adopted by the Land Conservation and Development Commission.**
- (2) Is consistent with applicable provisions of the Metro Plan and applicable adopted refinement plans.**
- (3) In the case of establishment of a special area zone, is consistent with EC 9.3020 Criteria for Establishment of an S Special Area Zone.**

**EC 9.8424 Refinement Plan Amendment Approval Criteria.**

- (1) The refinement plan amendment is consistent with all of the following:**
  - (a) Statewide planning goals.**
  - (b) Applicable provisions of the Metro Plan.**
  - (c) Remaining portions of the refinement plan.**
- (2) The refinement plan amendment addresses one or more of the following:**
  - (a) An error in the publication of the refinement plan.**
  - (b) New inventory material which relates to a statewide planning goal.**
  - (c) New or amended community policies.**
  - (d) New or amended provisions in a federal law or regulation, state statute, state regulation, statewide planning goal, or state agency land use plan.**

- (e) A change of circumstances in a substantial manner that was not anticipated at the time the refinement plan was adopted.

**EC 9.8865 Zone Change Approval Criteria.**

- (1) The proposed change is consistent with applicable provisions of the Metro Plan. The written text of the Metro Plan shall take precedence over the Metro Plan diagram where apparent conflicts or inconsistencies exist.
- (2) The proposed zone change is consistent with applicable adopted refinement plans. In the event of inconsistencies between these plans and the Metro Plan, the Metro Plan controls.
- (3) The uses and density that will be allowed by the proposed zoning in the location of the proposed change can be served through the orderly extension of key urban facilities and services.
- (4) The proposed zone change is consistent with the applicable siting requirements set out for the specific zone in:
  - (s) EC 9.4776 /WQ Water Quality Overlay Zone Siting Requirements (only for the purposes of adding the overlay zone. See EC 9.4786.).
  - (t) EC 9.4915 /WR Water Resources Conservation Overlay Zone Siting Requirements (only for the purposes of adding the overlay zone. See EC 9.4960.).

Note: other subsections of EC 9.8865(4) are not applicable.

**EC 9.8074 Envision Eugene Comprehensive Plan Amendment.**

- (1) The proposed amendment would be consistent with the Statewide Planning Goals.
- (2) The proposed amendment would be consistent with the Eugene-Springfield Metropolitan Area General Plan.
- (3) The proposed amendment would be consistent with the remaining portions of the Envision Eugene Comprehensive Plan.
- (4) The proposed amendment would not result in a deficit in the city's needed supply of employment or residential land, based on the most recently adopted and acknowledged employment land study or residential land study.