

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-__

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 2.16
OF THE CASTLE ROCK MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE
CASTLE ROCK PLANNING COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, Town Council desires to provide clarity and updates to the Castle Rock Municipal Code (the "Code") regarding the Castle Rock Planning Commission and its role in reviewing and making recommendations on the Comprehensive Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined that amendments to the Code are necessary to provide said clarity and updates.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF CASTLE ROCK, COLORADO:**

Section 1. Amendment. Section 2.16.010 of the Castle Rock Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

2.16.010 - Authorization.

There is authorized by this Chapter ~~in accordance with Section 31-23-202, C.R.S., the Castle Rock Planning Commission. Except as modified or superseded by~~ IT IS THE INTENT OF THE TOWN COUNCIL THAT THE PROVISIONS OF this Chapter SHALL, IN ALL RESPECTS, SUPERSEDE the provisions of Parts 2 and 3, Article 23, Title 31, C.R.S., ~~shall be applicable to~~ WITH REGARD TO THE PURPOSES, POWERS, AND DUTIES OF the Planning Commission.

Section 2. Amendment. Section 2.16.030 of the Castle Rock Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

2.16.030 - Powers.

- A. The Planning Commission shall be empowered and authorized to review, act upon and advise the Town Council with respect to all zoning, rezoning, planning, subdividing, platting, annexation and other related activities as provided in the zoning and subdivision ordinances of the Town.
- B. The Planning Commission is empowered to REVIEW AND make ~~and submit~~ RECOMMENDATIONS to the Town Council ~~for the Council's approval~~ REGARDING a COMPREHENSIVE master plan for the physical development of the municipality. The master plan ~~for the community of Castle Rock~~ IS INTENDED TO BE AN ADVISORY DOCUMENT TO GUIDE LAND DEVELOPMENT DECISIONS AND shall contain the ~~Planning Commission's recommendations with respect to the following matters:~~

1. ~~A comprehensive~~ POLICY GUIDANCE RELATED TO zoning and subdivision ordinance together with a zoning plan REGULATIONS;
2. Appropriate plans showing the general location, character and extent of streets, bridges, boulevards, parkways and other types of transportation corridors ~~within and without the community of Castle Rock;~~
3. A plan for the location and extent of public utilities, including, but not limited to, water and sewer development, public communications, gas and electrical extensions, together with the location and extent of other public improvements ~~to be created within the Town,~~ such as parks, fire departments, police stations, schools and other public buildings; AND
4. Any ~~and all~~ plans for the eventual redesignation of specific areas within the community, ~~condemnation plans,~~ change of use plans or other alterations regarding the existing community structure.

~~C. The Planning Commission is empowered with any and all further powers delineated within Parts 2 and 3, Article 23, Title 31, C.R.S.~~

Section 3. Repeal. Section 2.16.110 of the Castle Rock Municipal Code is repealed in its entirety:

~~2.16.110 Scope of Chapter.~~

~~This Chapter designates the purposes, powers and duties of the Planning Commission. The provisions of the statutory authority shall be applicable only in the instance of silence of this Chapter, or where the general intent of the Legislature as to scope and authority deemed proper for a Planning Commission can lend meaningful direction for the assistance and interpretation of this Chapter.~~

Section 4. Severability. If any part or provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section 5. Safety Clause. The Town Council finds and declares that this Ordinance is promulgated and adopted for the public health, safety and welfare and this Ordinance bears a rational relation to the legislative object sought to be obtained.

APPROVED ON FIRST READING this ____ day of _____, 2026, by the Town Council of the Town of Castle Rock, Colorado, by a vote of ____ for and ____ against, after publication in compliance with Section 2.02.100.C of the Castle Rock Municipal Code; and

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING this ____ day of _____, 2026, by the Town Council of the Town of Castle Rock, Colorado, by a vote of ____ for and ____ against.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF CASTLE ROCK

Lisa Anderson, Town Clerk

Jason Gray, Mayor

Approved as to form:

Approved as to content:

Michael J. Hyman, Town Attorney

Tara Vargish, Director of Development Services