

Private Property Rights



GOAL PPR 1

Private Property Rights in Decision-making

Ensure private property rights are considered in local decision-making to respect judicially acknowledged and constitutionally protected private property rights and with respect for people's rights to participate in decisions that affect their lives and property.

Objective PPR 1.1

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Private property rights shall be considered in local decision-making based upon the following policies.

Policy PPR 1.1.1

Physically Possess and Control Property

Property owners shall have the right to physically possess and control their interests in the property, including easements, leases, or mineral rights.

Policy PPR 1.1.2

Personal Use

Property owners shall have the right to use, maintain, develop, and improve their property for personal use or the use of any other person, subject to state law and local ordinances.

Policy PPR 1.1.3

Privacy

Property owners shall have the right to privacy and to exclude others from the property to protect the owner's possessions and property.

Policy PPR 1.1.4

Disposition of Property

Property owners shall have the right to dispose of their property through sale or gift.

Objective PPR 2.1

Transparency, Reliability, and Predictability in Decision-making

Wellington decision-making will be transparent, reliable, and predictable so that all people may participate in decisions that affect their lives and property.

Policy PPR 2.1

Development Applications

All development applications, including comprehensive plan amendments, shall be made available for public review and an affected person/party shall be provided equal opportunity for participation in all associated hearings.