

MOTION FOR CONSISTENCY (1ST MOTION)

MOTION IF TEXT AMENDMENT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE

In the matter of OA-02-22, I move that the Board of Commissioners adopt the following recommended statements finding that the proposed text amendments are consistent with the Wake County Comprehensive Plan and Wake County Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). The purpose of the Wake County Comprehensive Plan and the Wake County UDO, as seen in Article 1-22, is to provide a guide for the physical development of the county, preserve and enhance the overall quality of life of residents, and establish clear and efficient development review procedures. The text amendments included herein accomplish this as described in the following statements.

1. Amendments to Section 5-12 *Cluster and Open Space Development* modify the subdivision open space requirements, provides incentive to locate open space adjacent to designated farms, and consolidates the subdivision options for development. The amendments advance the purpose of the Wake County Comprehensive Plan and the Wake County UDO by protecting more open space as part of the development process, incorporating incentives for farmland protection, and simplifying the options for residential subdivision development.
2. Amendments to Section 8-30 *Natural and Historic/Cultural Resources* incorporate the preservation and protection of “agricultural resources” when considering subdivision design. It also authorizes the Planning Director to require further measures that warrant protection and preservation of natural, agricultural, cultural, and historic resources as part of subdivision design. The amendments advance the purpose of the Wake County Comprehensive Plan and the Wake County UDO by requiring due consideration for the protection and preservation of natural, agricultural, cultural, and historic resources as part of the development process.
3. Amendments to Section 8-33 *Pedestrian, Bicycle and Trail* establish standards for off-road trail easements and trail connections within new subdivisions that require the development to accommodate future greenway trails and plan for connections to trails. The amendments advance the purpose of the Wake County Comprehensive Plan and the Wake County UDO by furthering recreation opportunities and increasing mobility options for residents within the community.
4. Amend various sections of the UDO. The amendments advance the purpose of the Wake County Comprehensive Plan and the Wake County UDO by aligning both documents resulting from adoption of the Comprehensive Plan in 2021 and the changes adopted as part of this text amendment OA-02-22.

MOTION FOR APPROVAL (2ND MOTION)

In the matter of OA-02-22, I move that the Board finds that the adoption of this proposed text amendment is consistent with the Wake County Comprehensive Plan and Wake County Unified Development and is reasonable and in the public interest and hereby make a motion to adopt the text amendment.