Wake County Unified Development **Ordinance Amendment 02-18**

Wake County Board of Commissioners January 22, 2019











Ordinance Amendment OA-02-18 Purpose

- To update and edit Wake County Unified Development Ordinance pertaining to landscaping requirements. This amendment:
 - Supports county sustainability efforts
 - Fulfills direction from Board of Commissioners to increase use of native plants
 - Updates references to non-native invasive species



Native red oak

Past Action

- Idea first introduced by Open Space And Parks Advisory Committee (OSAPAC)
- Studied by Growth, Land Use, & Environment (GLUE) Committee
- Supported by Board of County Commissioners at Work Session
- Board of Commissioners passed a supportive resolution October 15, 2018

Text Amendments

- Clarifies text to require native plants
- Requires designer to indicate whether proposed plant is native
- Replaces Appendix A with:
 - Invasive species are those identified on the most current lists published by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services and NC Invasive Plant Council.



False Goat's Beard



Scarlet Catchfly

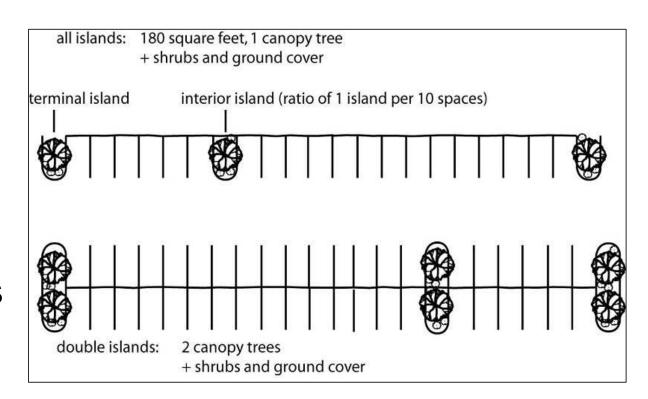


Sweet Shrub

Applies to Several Sections of UDO

- Off-Street Parking Areas
- Bufferyards
- Fences, Walls, and Berms
- Trash Storage Areas
- Permanent, Freestanding Signs





Public Hearing











Staff Findings

- Support the Board of Commissioners' goal to promote sustainability efforts throughout the county.
- Fulfills the direction provided by the Board of Commissioners, as stated in their October 15, 2018 resolution supporting increased use of native plants.
- Replace references to non-native invasive species with resources that are regularly updated.

Planning Staff Recommends Approval

That the Board of Commissioners:

1. Adopts the drafted statement of consistency with the Land Use Plan, reasonableness, and public interest

2. Approves Ordinance Amendment OA-02-18 as presented

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The Planning Board, at their November 7, 2018 meeting, voted 7-0 on both motions.

Suggested Board of Commissioners Motion

That the Board of Commissioners:

 Adopts the statement of consistency finding that Ordinance Amendment OA-02-18 is consistent with the Land Use Plan, Unified Development Ordinance, reasonable, and in the public interest

and by a separate motion;

2. Approves the Ordinance Amendment OA-02-18, as presented.