

Item Title: Public Hearing to Consider Text Amendment OA-02-19 Article 14
Flood Hazard Areas of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO)

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners, having held a public hearing:

- 1. Finds that Text Amendment OA-02-19 is consistent with the Wake County Land Use Plan and the Wake County Unified Development Ordinance and is reasonable and in the public interest; and adopts the attached resolution;**

and by a separate motion;

- 2. Adopts the attached resolution to approve the proposed amendment to the Wake County Unified Development Ordinance as presented in Text Amendment OA-02-19.**

Item Summary:

Purpose: The Board of Commissioners approves changes to the Wake County Land Use Plan and Unified Development Ordinance (UDO).

Background: Wake County maintains flood hazard maps as part of its participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. FEMA notified the County on June 6, 2019 that it needs to adopt updated maps to remain compliant with the flood insurance program by December 6th.

Specifically, staff request the Board to adopt six updated maps displaying flood hazard areas in Northern Wake County along the Granville County line. These new maps will be effective December 6, 2019 to meet NFIP standards.

Board Goal: Promote public health and safety.

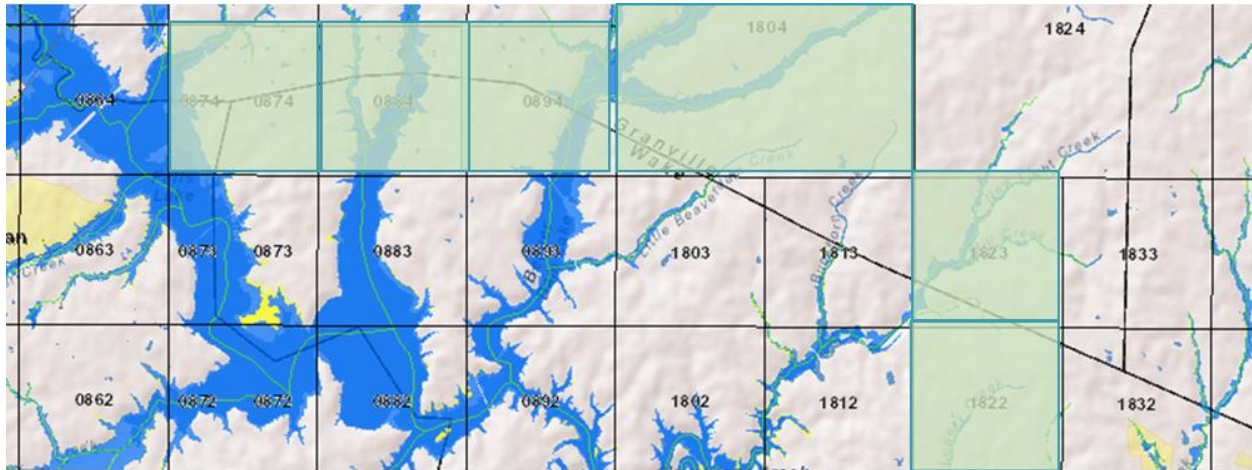
Fiscal Impact: This action has no financial impact.

Additional Information:

This Board action amends the Wake County Unified Development Ordinance, Article 14 Flood Hazard Areas, Section 14-12 Definitions – “Area of Special Flood Hazard” to change the effective adoption date of revised Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) panels as detailed in the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Final Summary of Map Actions dated June 6, 2019.

The proposed change has been reviewed by the County Attorney’s Office.

The graphic below shows the areas of Northern Wake County with updated flood hazard maps.



Staff Findings:

The proposed amendments:

- 1) Support the Board of Commissioners' goal to promote public health and safety efforts throughout the County.

Recommendations:

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES STAFF: Recommends that the Board of Commissioners approve text amendment OA-02-19 as presented and adopt the Statement finding the proposed text amendment consistent with the Wake County Land Use Plan.

PLANNING BOARD: Recommended at the October 2, 2019 meeting, by a unanimous vote, that the Board of Commissioners approve text amendment OA-02-19.

Attachments:

1. Presentation
2. Staff Report
3. Statement of Consistency Resolution
4. Ordinance Amendment Resolution
5. Proposed Article 14 Tracked Changes