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Resolution of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners

Approving a Consistency Statement of Reasonableness for the Approval of Amending the Unified Development Ordinance for Chatham County, North Carolina

WHEREAS, the Chatham County Board of Commissioners adopted the Unified Development Ordinance by Ordinance November 18th of 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Unified Development Ordinance was originally scheduled to become effective on July 1st, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Unified Development Ordinance was amended to become effective on December 31st, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Unified Development Ordinance was further amended to become effective on June 1st, 2026; and

WHEREAS, due to pending legislation that is preventing Unified Development Ordinance implementation, it is necessary to amend the effective date of the UDO to allow for proper implementation and compliance; and

WHEREAS, the Chatham County Board of Commissioners finds that it is the best interest of Chatham County and the public to amend the effective date of the UDO From December June 1st, 2026, to June 1st, 2027; and

WHEREAS, the Chatham County Board of Commissioners finds that the amendment of this Unified Development Ordinance is consistent with the ten goals listed in Plan Chatham and as follows:

1. Preserve the rural character and lifestyle of Chatham County.
2. Preserve, protect, and enable agriculture and forestry.
3. Promote a compact growth pattern by developing in and near existing towns, communities, and in designated, well planned, walkable, mixed use centers.
4. Diversify the tax base and generate more quality, in county jobs to reduce dependence on residential property taxes, create economic opportunity and reduce out-commuting.
5. Conserve natural resources.
6. Provide recreational opportunities and access to open space.
7. Provide infrastructure to support desired development and support economic and environmental objectives.
8. Become more resilient by mitigating, responding and adapting to emerging threats.
9. Provide equitable access to high-quality education, housing and community options for all.
10. Foster a healthy community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Chatham County Board of Commissioners that, for the reasons set forth above, and presented documentation are found to be consistent with the county land use plan and are determined to be reasonable and in the public interest.

Adopted, this 18th day of May 2026, by the Board of Commissioners of Chatham County, North Carolina.

Amanda Robertson, Chair
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Jenifer K. Johnson, MMC, Clerk to the Board
Chatham County Board of Commissioners