



# Chatham County, NC

## Legislation Text

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### **Introduction & Background:**

The county entered into a contract with White & Smith, LLC to prepare a Unified Development Ordinance. The purpose of this project is to unify the County's existing development regulations. The intent is also to develop a new, user-friendly Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) that can be more easily understood by residents, elected officials, appointed boards, and the development community and that provides clear development standards and a predictable development review process. Work began in late 2021 and has included several meetings with the Board of Commissioners as they provided direction and input for this project. The consultants have gathered extensive feedback from the BOC, Planning Board, County staff, advisory boards and committees, and the public to ensure this project includes optimal engagement. The consultants prepared a code audit that served as a plan for preparing the draft revisions to the County's land use codes during this UDO process. Upon completion of the code audit in May of 2022, the consultants then began drafting Module 1, the Zoning Module. After several iterations of the chapters in this module being shared with staff and the Planning Board UDO Subcommittee for feedback and revisions, we have now prepared them into a complete module to share with the BOC for their feedback.

### **Discussion & Analysis:**

The White & Smith team are appearing before the BOC to present Module 1: Zoning of the UDO. The consultant team will then gather feedback from the Board and revise Module 1 accordingly.

### **How does this relate to the Comprehensive Plan:**

This item is reflected in all aspects of Plan Chatham.

### **Recommendation:**

Receive presentation and provide feedback to consultant team about Module 1: Zoning.