

Legislation Text

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Vote on a request to approve Interlocal Agreements between Chatham County and the Town of Goldston for the administration and enforcement of the Goldston Unified Development Ordinance and for the enforcement by the County of ordinances and other laws, rules, and regulations related to building code enforcement, fire prevention and protection, watershed protection, soil erosion and sedimentation control, and stormwater within the corporate limits of Goldston, and authorize the County Manager to execute the agreements.

Action Requested:

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Introduction & Background:

For the last three years planning staff, in conjunctions with Triangle J Council of Governments and stakeholders for the Town of Goldston have worked to develop a Unified Development Ordinance and Land Use Plan for the Town of Goldston. The UDO for Goldston will combine Zoning, Subdivision, and Watershed Protection ordinances into one document. As the town only has one part -time staff member, the County will administer the UDO and the Land Use Plan. In order for county staff to enforce the UDO on behalf of the Town of Goldston both parties will need to enter into an interlocal agreement.

Discussion & Analysis:

The purpose of the interlocal agreement is to provide for the administration and enforcement, by County staff, of the Town of Goldstons UDO within the corporate limits of the town. The county is currently enforcing other ordinances within the town, which will not be affected by this. There are two interlocal agreements. One deals specifically with the UDO and the other covers other ordinances, laws, and regulations that the County staff administer and enforce throughout the County.

Based on the interlocal agreements, Chatham County will provide for the enforcement of ordinances and other laws, rules, and regulations related to building code enforcement, fire prevention and protection, the stormwater ordinance, and soil erosion and sedimentation control that the County is enforcing throughout Chatham County, within the corporate limits of the Town of Goldston. The County will enforce all Federal, State, and Chatham County rules, regulations, and ordinances relating to the construction and occupancy of buildings and structures within the corporate limits of the Town of Goldston that the County is enforcing in areas outside of the corporate limits of municipalities. The County will also enforce Chapter 93: Fire Prevention and Protection, of the Chatham County Code of Ordinances, within the corporate limits of the Town of Goldston. Additionally, the County shall enforce Chapter 164: Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control of the Chatham County Code of Ordinances as well as the Stormwater Ordinance in Goldston.

How does this relate to the Comprehensive Plan:

The Economic Development Plan Element of Plan Chatham includes the following strategy: 8.2 Provide technical support to towns lacking appropriate staffing (i.e. Goldston).

Recommendation:

Approve the Interlocal Agreements between Chatham County and the Town of Goldston.