

STATEMENT OF THE APEX TOWN COUNCIL PURSUANT TO G.S. 160D-605(a) ADDRESSING ACTION ON THE VERIDEA ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT PLAN AMENDMENTS OF DECEMBER 9, 2025

Pursuant to G.S. §160D-601 and Secs. 2.2.11.E and 2.3.16.F.3 of the Unified Development Ordinance, the Planning Director for the Town of Apex, Dianne Khin, caused proper notice to be given (by publication and posting), of a public hearing on the Veridea Environmental Enhancement Plan before the Town Council on the 9th day of December 2025.

The Apex Town Council held a public hearing on the 9th day of December 2025. Amanda Bunce, Assistant Planning Director, presented the Planning Board's vote to recommend approval by a vote of 7-0 at the public hearing.

All persons who desired to present information relevant to the Environmental Enhancement Plan Amendments were allowed to present evidence at the public hearing before the Apex Town Council. No one who wanted to speak was turned away.

The Town Council on the 9th day of December 2025 by a vote of 4-0 approved the Ordinance for the Veridea Environmental Enhancement Plan Amendments.

The Apex Town Council finds from information and testimony provided at the public hearing that the approval of the Veridea Environmental Enhancement Plan Amendments of December 9, 2025 is consistent with the Advance Apex: The 2045 Plan and reasonable and in the public interest for the following reason(s):

1. The proposed exemptions to certain building standards related to energy efficiency apply only to the North Carolina Children's (NCC) health care campus and allow the flexibility necessary for construction of the anticipated uses.
2. The proposed modifications to modify the amount of EV-Ready and EV charging spaces for all uses within Veridea account for reductions needed on the NCC Children's health care campus and on the future Wake Technical Community College campus to an amount commensurate with the amount of parking that will be provided for such uses. The proposed modifications to the requirements for the multi-family and hotel uses reduce the amount of charging spaces required by 5%, but increase the amount of EV-Ready spaces by the same amount. The modifications also provide an option to provide EV-Capable spaces as defined in the Environmental Enhancement Plan in lieu of the EV-Ready spaces required by the UDO.

Jacques K. Gilbert
Mayor

ATTEST:

Allen Coleman, CMC, NCCCC
Town Clerk

Date