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for consideration by the Apex Town Council

Item Type: CONSENT AGENDA

Meeting Date: April 22, 2025

# Item Details

Presenter(s): Allen Coleman, Town Clerk

Department(s): Town Clerk's Office

### Requested Motion

Possible motion to adopted a Resolution in Opposition of House Bill 765, An Act to Reform Local Government Development Regulations in This State, and direct the Town Clerk to provide a certified copy of this resolution to all elected representatives representing the Town of Apex in the North Carolina General Assembly, and All Wake County Municipal Mayors, Town Councilmembers, and Town Clerks and request their support of this legislation.

# <u>Approval Recommended?</u>

Yes

### **Item Details**

On April 03, 2025, House Bill 765 was introduced. As proposed, this bill seeks to dismantle municipal landuse planning and regulation authority through a variety of measures. House Bill 765, as currently written will:

- Create a patchwork of state mandates and ban common-sense local land-use practices leading to unregulated and incompatible development, undermining housing affordability, and damaging existing property values.
- Eliminate the decision-making powers granted to locally elected leaders by their voters, subjecting
  those officials to legal penalties during routine land-use planning decisions and creating
  unprecedented conflict-of-interest rules.
- Remove the ability of residents and local officials to pursue their unique visions for their communities, which are critical to attracting new residents and new businesses and maintaining their unique quality of life.
- Undermine meaningful public engagement and community involvement in shaping policies that address specific housing needs.

On February 25, 2025, the Apex Town Council adopted a Legislative Agenda which provides several core guiding legislative principles including "oppose the removal of any authority from municipalities". House Bill 765 does this and a lot more.

If adopted, the Town Clerk is directed to provide a certified copy of the adopted resolution to all elected representatives representing the Town of Apex in the North Carolina General Assembly, and all Wake County Municipal Mayors, Town Councilmembers, and Town Clerks and request their support of this legislation.

## <u>Attachments</u>

- CN8-A1: House Bill 765 Local Gov. Development Regulations Omnibus North Carolina General Assembly
- CN8-A2: Resolution in Opposition of House Bill 765 (to be provided under separate cover)

