

Consideration and Direction of Amendments to the Town of Bluffton Code of Ordinances:

- a. SOLOCO Stormwater Design Manual
- b. Chapter 6 Businesses and Business Regulations
 - i. Article III Soliciting and Mobile Vending
 - ii. Article V Short-Term Rental Units

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Workshop Topics



1. Southern Lowcountry Stormwater Design Manual Amendments:

- 1. Provide clarifications on implementation of stormwater practices,
- 2. Enhance enforcement capabilities for post-construction maintenance of pre-MS4 communities, and
- 3. Promote the use of Better Site Design principles through credits towards meeting stormwater retention volume requirements.
- 4. Misc. edits

2. Chapter 6, Article III, Mobile Vending Ordinance Amendments:

- 1. Align Mobile Vending Permit with Business License Calendar (5/1 4/30)
- 2. Update language to SC Dept. of Agriculture
- 3. Consider requiring written permission as public locations for school functions
- 4. Consider removing language regarding Fire Safety
- 5. Consider adding violations and penalties

3. Chapter 6, Article V, Short Term Rental Ordinance Amendments:

- 1. Align Short Term Rental Permit with Business License Calendar (5/1 4/30)
- 2. Consider adding violations and penalties

SOLOCO Design Manual



Does Town Council want to move forward with the following proposed amendments to the Southern Lowcountry Stormwater Design Manual?

- a. Consider providing clarifications on implementation of stormwater practices?
- b. Consider enhanced enforcement capabilities for post-construction maintenance of pre-MS4 communities?
- c. Consider promoting the use of Better Site Design principles through credits towards meeting stormwater retention volume requirements?
- d. Miscellaneous edits that do not change the regulatory requirements?

SOLOCO Design Manual



If so, the process and timeline is:

Stormwater Design Manual Text Amendment Procedure	Date	Complete
Step 1. Town Council Workshop	October 8, 2024	✓
Step 2. Watershed Action Plan Advisory Committee Recommendation	October 24, 2024	✓
Step 3. Town Council – Adoption by Resolution	December 10, 2024	

Mobile Vending Ordinance



Does Town Council want to move forward with the following proposed amendments to the Mobile Vending Ordinance?

- a. Consideration of coinciding the mobile vending permit year to align with the business license year of 05/01-04/30.
- b. Consideration of updating Department of Health and Environmental Control to SC Department of Agriculture.
- c. Consideration of school functions deemed as "public" locations requiring written property permission.
- d. Consideration of removing current verbiage under Sec 6-83 Fire Safety to: An annual fire and life safety inspection shall be completed and approved prior to the issuance of a business license. All mobile vending shall be in compliance with the South Carolina Fire Code and all applicable rules and regulations.
- e. Consideration of adding a violations and penalties section.

Mobile Vending Ordinance



If so, the process and timeline is:

Mobile Vending Ordinance Amendments	Date	Complete
Step 1. Town Council – Workshop	October 8, 2024	✓
Step 2. Town Council – 1 st Reading	November 12, 2024	
Step 3. Town Council – 2 nd and Final Reading	December 10, 2024	✓

Short Term Rental Ordinance



Does Town Council want to move forward with the following proposed amendments to the Short-Term Rental Ordinance?

- a. Consideration of coinciding the short-term rental permit year to align with the business license year of 05/01-04/30.
- b. Consideration of adding a violations and penalties section.

Short Term Rental Ordinance



If so, the process and timeline is:

Short Term Rental Ordinance Amendments	Date	Complete
Step 1. Town Council – Workshop	October 8, 2024	✓
Step 2. Town Council — 1 st Reading	November 12, 2024	
Step 3. Town Council – 2 nd and Final Reading	December 10, 2024	✓



QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION