

ORDINANCE NO. 2021 – \_\_\_\_\_

TOWN OF BLUFFTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWN OF BLUFFTON'S MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 22, STREETS, SIDEWALKS, AND OTHER PUBLIC PROPERTY, ARTICLE IV SPECIAL EVENTS ORDINANCE TO ADD PRIVATE PROPERTY AND INCLUDE SPECIFICATIONS

WHEREAS, the Town of Bluffton desires to improve the general safety, welfare, health and properties of the citizens of the Town of Bluffton; and

WHEREAS, to establish the necessary provisions to accomplish the above, the Town of Bluffton has the authority to enact resolutions, ordinances, regulations, and procedures pursuant to Section 5-7-30 of South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, special events within the municipal limits of the Town of Bluffton continue to grow; and

**WHEREAS**, Bluffton desires to facilitate events that provide positive impacts to the local economy, contribute to the unique historic character and cultural vitality of the Town and help to build a higher quality of life for residents, visitors and local businesses throughout the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, events held within the Town impact public safety, require substantial assistance from Town staff and may interfere with the safe and orderly flow of pedestrian and vehicular traffic; and

**WHEREAS**, a special event permit application process will help the Town manage the impacts of the special events on the public; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town wants to ensure that sponsors of special events bear their share of the cost of public services required to support special events within the Town, including the costs associated with staff time, Bluffton Police Department resources, and clean up and repair of the public property impacted by the special event; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Town established a Special Events Ordinance on February 9, 2010; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Bluffton Town Council amended the Special Events Ordinance on August 8, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Bluffton Town Council desires to amend Chapter 22, *Streets, Sidewalks, and Other Public Property*, Article IV, *Special Events Ordinance*, by adding private property and including provisions for security and safety, traffic circulation and parking, toilet facilities, solid waste disposal, electrical hookups, and authority to waive.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLUFFTON, SOUTH CAROLINA**, in accordance with the foregoing, the Town hereby amends the Code of Ordinances for the Town of Bluffton as follows:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. The Town of Bluffton hereby amends the Code Ordinances for the Town Of Bluffton, South Carolina by adopting and incorporating amendments to Chapter 22 –Streets, Sidewalks, and Other Public Property, Article IV as shown on Exhibit A attached hereto and fully incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. ORDINANCE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT. This entire Ordinance shall take full force and effect upon adoption.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ENACTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

This Ordinance was read and passed at first reading on \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Lisa Sulka, Mayor  
Town of Bluffton, South Carolina

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Kimberly Gammon  
Town Clerk, Town of Bluffton, South Carolina

This Ordinance was passed at second reading held on \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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