TO: Mayor and City Council of the City of Dacula

FROM: Brittni Nix, Director of Planning and Economic Development

DATE: February 17, 2022

SUBJECT: Ordinance Amendments - Development Regulations

Staff recommends updating the City of Dacula's Development Regulations. An explanation of the proposed amendments are provided for your review.

Roll back curbing

Currently, the City's Ordinance only permits vertical curbing. Roll-back curbing can be a viable and preferred alternative in certain circumstances. The proposed amendment would allow roll-back curbing as an option for residential and parking areas.

Duration of permit applications

Past applicants have submitted plans and do not respond to comments within a timely fashion causing a significant delay in plan reviews and permit issuance. To encourage applicants to follow thru on projects, staff is recommending that permit applications and plans for development and building activities expire after one (1) year if a permit has not been issued. The Director will be granted the authority to allow a three (3) month extension at his / her discretion.

Street cut trenches

For the safety of the community, staff recommends adding language to the street cut trenches ordinance requiring the trench to be backfilled and compacted or trench-plated at the end of every workday.

Staff recommends approving the proposed amendments to the Development Regulations as shown in the attached Ordinance effective immediately.

Best Regards,

Brittni Nix, Director of Planning & Economic Development