



Agenda Abstract

JOINT PUBLIC HEARING

Meeting Date:	January 18, 2024
Department:	Stormwater and Environmental Services
Agenda Section:	6A
Public hearing:	Yes
Date of public hearing:	January 18, 2024

PRESENTER/INFORMATION CONTACT

Terry Hackett, Stormwater and Environmental Services Manager

ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED

Subject: Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) text amendment (staff-initiated):

- Section 3.10.3 *Variance – General Standards/Findings of Fact*
- Section 3.10.6 *Variance – Procedure*
- Section 6.20.16 *Stormwater Management - Riparian Buffers*

Attachments:

1. Background and summary of proposed changes
2. UDO sections referenced above, as proposed to be amended, inclusive of the Planning Board's requested edits from December 21, 2023

Comprehensive Sustainability Plan goals:

- Environment and Natural Systems Goal 1: Employ an integrated ecosystem approach and stewardship mentality to protect, conserve, and restore critical environmental areas and natural systems.
- Strategy: Develop and participate in programs that contribute to sustained ecological health of the environment and natural systems (delegated local authority from the state to enforce the Neuse Riparian Buffer Rules)

Financial impacts:

None

Staff recommendation and comments:

At the Planning Board meeting on December 21, 2023, the Planning Board suggested two minor revisions to Table 6.20.16.8 in the amendment. Specifically, under "oo) Vegetation Management," the Planning Board requested that items VIII and IX be changed to "allowable upon authorization." Staff has incorporated these changes into the amendment.

Staff recommends holding the public hearing and offering comments, questions, and/or concerns.

Action requested:

Hold the public hearing and offer comments, questions, and/or concerns.