

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TOWN OF HILLSBOROUGH, NORTH CAROLINA  
Consistency Statement per Section 160D-605**

***Request to amend the Historic District Design Standards  
for the Town of Hillsborough***

**June 10, 2024**

The Town of Hillsborough Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the request from the Planning and Economic Services Division of the town's Community Services Department to amend the town's Historic District Design Standards as follows:

*Amend the following sections of the Historic District Design Standards to a) make the design standards more user-friendly, b) increase flexibility for sustainable energy in the historic district, and c) prevent minor changes from needlessly going to the Historic District Commission for review:*

- *Section 1 – Navigating the Historic District Commission Review Process*
- *Section 4 – Masonry; Windows; Sustainability and Energy Retrofit; Utilities*
- *Section 6 – Site Features and Plantings; Fences and Walls; Walkways, Driveways, and Off-Street Parking; Art*
- *Appendices – Glossary of Architectural Terms, Ordinary Maintenance and Repair and Minor Works, Historic District Compatibility Matrix*

The Hillsborough Board of Commissioners has determined the proposed action **is/is not consistent** with the Town of Hillsborough's Comprehensive Sustainability Plan (CSP) for the following reason(s):

1. The proposed amendment **is/is not consistent** with the *Social Systems & Public Space* chapter of the CSP, specifically the goal to "build and strengthen social cohesion and sense of community through the support and development of arts and culture, events and entertainment, and preservation initiatives in an equitable and sustainable manner."

Strategies: Develop and adopt policies that contribute to meeting social systems and public space goals; and adopt regulations that contribute toward establishing equitable and sustainable social systems and public spaces.

2. The proposed changes **advance/do not advance** identified goals and strategies found in the CSP, and promote the public health, safety, and welfare by making the

design standards easier for the public to navigate and by increasing flexibility for sustainable energy in the historic district.

The foregoing consistency statement, having been submitted to a vote, received the following vote and was duly adopted this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June in the year 2024.

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent or excused:

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Sarah E. Kimrey, Town Clerk