



Memorandum

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Stevie Cox, City Manager

CC: Crystal Postell, Finance Director
Robert Wilhoit, City Attorney

DATE: April 28, 2025

REF: Resolution in Opposition of House Bill 765 and Senate Bill 688

Summary:

This is a request to approve a Resolution in Opposition of House Bill 765 and Senate Bill 688.

Background:

In 2024, there were two bills filed in the North Carolina General Assembly that would restrict or eliminate certain land use powers for local government in the State. These bills would allow certain housing developments to be granted by right and not allow for conditional use permits reviews. Furthermore, these bills would determine lot sizes and how many housing units that could be built on a given parcel.

In April 2025, the City Council discussed and expressed their concerns about both bills. After some discussion, the City Council instructed the City Manager to prepare and sign a letter to Representative Brian Biggs and Senator David Craven stating the City's concerns and opposition to House Bill 765 and Senate Bill 688. The City Manager was informed that it would be beneficial to have your Council to approve and adopt a Resolution in Opposition of House 765 and Senate Bill 688. Attached is a copy of the Resolution.

Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the City Council approve and adopt the Resolution in Opposition of House 765 and Senate Bill 688 by common consent.

Attachment:

Resolution in Opposition of House Bill 765 and Senate Bill 688