

Ordinance No.: 19-03

ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY, GEORGIA AMENDING CHAPTER 90, ZONING, ARTICLE IV SUPPLEMENTAL REQUIREMENTS, SECTION 90-147, USE PROVISIONS; REPEALING ANY CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

THIS ORDINANCE adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Columbia County, Georgia (the “Board”).

WHEREAS, the Board desires to clarify certain provisions of the Columbia County Code of Ordinances pertaining to uses allowed within certain zoning districts, and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to revise the list of permitted uses and associated standards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same as follows:

Section 1. Amendment of Chapter 90, Zoning, Article IV Supplemental Requirements, Section 90-147, Use provision (d) Agricultural uses. Chapter 90, Zoning, Article IV Supplemental Requirements, Section 90-147, Use provisions (d) Agricultural use is hereby deleted in its entirety and there is inserted in lieu thereof a new Chapter 90, Zoning, Article IV Supplemental Requirements, Section 90-147, Use provisions (d) Agricultural use, as attached in Exhibit “A” and made a part hereof.

Section 2. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances. Any Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance shall be repealed to the extent necessary to eliminate such conflict.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon the date of its adoption following the second reading of the Ordinance.

ADOPTED, this 02 day of April, 2019.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
COLUMBIA COUNTY, GEORGIA**

By: [Signature]

Its Chairman

Attest: [Signature]

Its Clerk



Exhibit "A"

Sec. 90-147. - Use provisions.

(d) *Agricultural uses.*

- (1) *Defined.* The production or management of crops, livestock, or poultry. Agriculture also includes the following:
 - a. Barn, pole barn, storage structure.
 - b. Small-scale agriculture.
 - c. Timber harvesting.
- (2) *Use standards.* Where allowed as a limited use, the operation of commercial poultry houses, dairies, ranges, and/or feedlots for the commercial sale of meat or eggs is prohibited.
- (3) *Barn, pole barn, storage structure.*
 - a. *Defined.* A fully or partially enclosed structure, used primarily for storage of agricultural equipment, livestock, or other similar items.
 - b. *Use standards.* Where a barn, pole barn, or storage structure is allowed as a limited use, the storage of equipment, material, or other items related to operation of a business is prohibited. An agricultural business is exempt from this standard.
- (4) *Small-scale agriculture.*
 - a. *Defined.* The limited production or management of crops, livestock, or poultry for individual or family use. A community garden is considered small-scale agriculture.
 - b. *Use standards.* Where allowed as a limited use, small-scale agriculture is subject to the following:
 1. Operation of poultry houses, dairies, ranges, and feedlots for the commercial sale of meat or eggs is prohibited.
 2. On parcels smaller than one acre, residential gardening and the keeping of no more than six chickens may take place. The nuisance provisions of chapter 34, article II shall apply.
- (5) *Timber harvesting.*
 - a. *Defined.* The cutting, harvesting, or hauling of timber (softwood or hardwood) for delivery as pulpwood, logs, poles, posts, or wood chips.
 - b. *Use standards.* Where allowed as a limited use, timber harvesting is subject to the standards enumerated in section 34-1 of the Columbia County Code of Ordinances.