

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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COUNTY OF DARLINGTON)

ORDINANCE NO. 25-03

ORDINANCE NO. 25-03, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND DARLINGTON COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, APPENDIX A (DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS ORDINANCE), ARTICLE 3 (HOW DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS ARE ESTABLISHED AND GOVERNED - AIRPORT DISTRICTS AND FLOOD HAZARD DISTRICTS), TO UPDATE SECTION 3.4 (FLOOD HAZARD DISTRICTS), AND ESTABLISH THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE

PURPOSE

This amendment updates the effective date for the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) and Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) and corrects various sections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the governing body of Darlington County, South Carolina, the Darlington County Council, that:

Section 1.

Darlington County Code of Ordinances, Appendix A. (Darlington County Development Standards Ordinance), Article 3 (How Development Districts Are Established And Governed - Airport Districts And Flood Hazard Districts), Section 3.4.1 (General Provisions), subsection (D) Lands to which section 3.4 applies, **which currently reads as follows:**

(D) Lands to which section 3.4 applies. Section 3.4 shall apply to all areas of special flood hazard within the unincorporated areas of the county as identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in its flood insurance study, dated February 6, 2013, for the county with accompanying maps and other supporting data, which are hereby adopted by reference and declared to be a part of section 3.4.

Be amended to read as follows:

(D) Lands to which section 3.4 applies. Section 3.4 shall apply to all areas of special flood hazard within the unincorporated areas of the county as identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in its flood insurance study, dated ~~February 6, 2013~~ **(March 25, 2025)**, for the county with accompanying maps and other supporting data, which are hereby adopted by reference and declared to be a part of section 3.4.

Section 2.

Darlington County Code of Ordinances, Appendix A. (Darlington County Development Standards Ordinance), Article 3 (How Development Districts Are Established And Governed

- Airport Districts And Flood Hazard Districts), Section 3.4.3 (Administration), subsection (C)(11) **which currently reads as follows:**

- (10) Within 60 days of the completion of an alteration of a watercourse, referenced in section 3.4.3(B)(9), the applicant shall submit as-built certification, by a registered engineer, to the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Be amended to read as follows:

- (10) Within 60 days of the completion of an alteration of a watercourse, referenced in section ~~3.4.3(B)(9)~~, **section 3.4.3 (C)(9)**, the applicant shall submit as-built certification, by a registered engineer, to the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Section 3.

Darlington County Code of Ordinances, Appendix A. (Darlington County Development Standards Ordinance), Article 3 (How Development Districts Are Established And Governed - Airport Districts And Flood Hazard Districts), Section 3.4.4 (Provisions for hazard reduction), Subsection (A) General Standards **which currently reads as follows:**

- (A) *General standards.* Development Services will review all permit applications to determine whether proposed building sites will be reasonable safe from flooding. Development may not occur in the special flood hazard area (SFHA) where alternative locations exist due to the inherent hazards and risks involved. Before a permit is issued, the applicant shall demonstrate that new structures cannot be located out of the SFHA and that encroachments onto the SFHA are minimized. In all areas of special flood hazard the following provisions are required:

Be amended to read as follows:

- (A) *General standards.* Development Services will review all permit applications to determine whether proposed building sites will be ~~reasonable safe~~ **reasonably safe** from flooding. Development may not occur in the special flood hazard area (SFHA) where alternative locations exist due to the inherent hazards and risks involved. Before a permit is issued, the applicant shall demonstrate that new structures cannot be located out of the SFHA and that encroachments onto the SFHA are minimized. In all areas of special flood hazard the following provisions are required:

Section 4.

The provision of this ordinance shall be included and incorporated in the Code of Ordinances for Darlington County, as an amendment thereto.

Section 5.

This ordinance shall become effective upon third reading.

DARLINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL

ATTEST:


J. Janet Bishop, Clerk to Council


Bobby Hudson, Chairman

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