

TOWN OF CLAYTON  
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF THE  
TOWN OF CLAYTON, NORTH CAROLINA  
UDOTA 2-25

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Clayton 2045 Comprehensive Growth Plan ("Growth Plan"), adopted by Town Council on November 15, 2021, calls for updates to the Town's Unified Development Code ("UDC"), now termed as the Unified Development Ordinance ("UDO"); and

**WHEREAS**, on October 27, 2025, the Planning Board of the Town of Clayton reviewed the proposed change(s) and made a recommendation to approve the Unified Development Ordinance Text Amendments; and

**WHEREAS**, the requested Text Amendment was advertised in accordance with all requirements of the law; and

**WHEREAS**, the said public hearing was conducted at 6:00 p.m. on November 17, 2025, wherein a reasonable opportunity was given to all those in attendance to speak either in favor or against the said change or to make relevant comments;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CLAYTON, NORTH CAROLINA, THAT:**

**SECTION 1.** The Town of Clayton Unified Development Ordinance is amended in accordance with the attached amendments (UDOTA 2-25) with the underlined text added and the stricken text removed except as noted in Section 4.

**SECTION 2.** The Planning Director is authorized to update, correct, or replace all hyperlinks and cross-references provided that such changes are non-substantive and do not alter the meaning, intent, or effect of the referenced provision.

**SECTION 3.** The Planning Director is authorized to modify any grammatical or typographical error provided that the change does not affect the meaning or intent of the regulation.

**SECTION 4.** All underlined highlighted text used shall be replaced with "AMENDED 11.17.25 (UDOTA 2-25)".

**SECTION 5.** That if any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 6.** That this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

**SECTION 7.** That the Town Council hereby adopts the following Statement of Consistency and Reasonableness for the proposed text amendment:

The request is consistent with the adopted 2045 Comprehensive Growth Plan, in that:

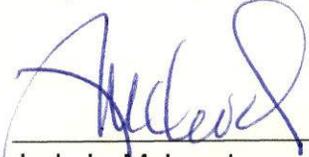
- GOAL LU-1 Seeks to preserve Clayton's character while allowing for growth and development in appropriate areas.
- Policy LU 1.1 Manages future growth and encourages quality development through the implementation of the Comprehensive Plan, the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), and other plans and regulations adopted by the Town Council.
- Strategy LU 1.1.3 Reviews and updates the Unified Development Ordinance within 1-2 years to ensure consistency with the Goals, Policies and Strategies of the Comprehensive Growth Plan.

This action is reasonable and in the public interest, in that:

- The 2045 Comprehensive Growth Plan encourages an up-to-date Unified Development Ordinance.
- The request is compatible with providing a relevant and community-reflective land use regulatory framework.

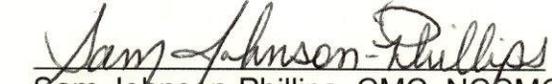
**SECTION 8.** That this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

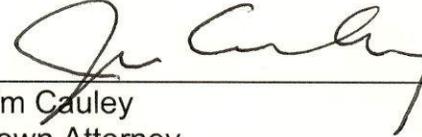
Duly adopted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025, while in regular Session.

  
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Jody L. McLeod  
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Sam Johnson-Phillips, CMC, NCCMC  
Deputy Town Clerk

  
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Jim Cauley  
Town Attorney



NORTH CAROLINA  
JOHNSTON COUNTY

I, Heidi L. Holland, a Notary Public, do hereby certify that Samantha Johnson-Phillips personally appeared before me this day and acknowledge that she is the Deputy Town Clerk of the Town of Clayton and that by authority duly given and as the act of the Town, the foregoing instrument was signed in its name by her.

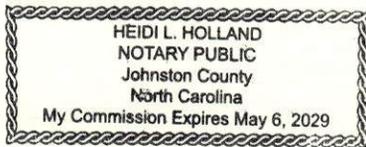
Witness my hand and notarial seal this the 17 day of NOVEMBER 2025.

(SEAL)

Heidi L. Holland

Notary Public Heidi L. Holland  
(Printed Name)

NC County of Commission: Johnston



Commission Expires: may 6, 2029