

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
 )  
COUNTY OF DORCHESTER )

ORDINANCE NUMBER 22-23

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, DORCHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH RESPECT TO CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III, DIVISION 2, ORGANIZATION AND RULES, SEC. 2-99(D)(1) TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN OF COUNTY COUNCIL OR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO REFER ANY REZONING REQUEST, AS HE OR SHE MAY DEEM APPROPRIATE, TO THE PLANNING DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING COMMITTEE FOR ITS DISCUSSION AND/OR INVESTIGATION PRIOR TO SUCH MATTER BEING PLACED ON A COUNTY COUNCIL AGENDA FOR FIRST READING**

Whereas, Dorchester County Council is authorized and empowered to adopt ordinances for the public safety, health and welfare of the citizens of Dorchester County; and

Whereas, Dorchester County Council is desirous of streamlining the process whereby rezoning requests are referred to the appropriate committee of County Council for discussion and/or investigation prior to being placed on a County Council agenda for consideration.

Now therefore, be it Ordained by Dorchester County Council, duly assembled, that the Code of Ordinances, Dorchester County, South Carolina be supplemented and amended with respect to Chapter 2, Article III, Division 2, Organization and Rules, Sec. 2-99(d)(1) as follows:

1. Sec. 2-99(d)(1) First Reading. Is deleted in its entirety and is replaced by a new Sec. 2-99(d)(1) First Reading which shall read as follows:
  - (1) First Reading. Ordinarily, at the first reading of an ordinance, the ordinance may be referred by the Chairman to an appropriate committee of County Council. The Chairman or the County administrator, however, is authorized to refer any rezoning request, as he or she may deem appropriate, directly to the Planning Development and Building Committee for discussion and/or investigation by it prior to such matter being placed on a County Council agenda for first reading. Any matter so referred shall remain in the Committee until such time as the Committee votes to recommend that the matter be placed on a County Council agenda for first reading. The Committee is further authorized with respect to any such matter so referred to schedule a public hearing to be held in conjunction with first reading.

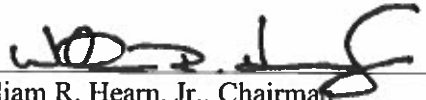
Except as amended and supplemented hereby, the Code of Ordinances, Dorchester County, South Carolina, shall remain in full force and effect.

This Ordinance shall be effective upon third and final reading.

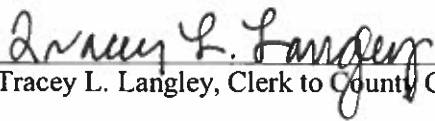
Adopted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022



**DORCHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH  
CAROLINA**

By:   
William R. Hearn, Jr., Chairman  
Dorchester County Council

ATTEST:

  
Tracey L. Langley, Clerk to County Council

First Reading: September 06, 2022  
Second Reading: October 03, 2022  
Third Reading: October 17, 2022