

COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL AS A WHOLE REPORT

Council Members:

Chris Bowers, Chairman
Roy Costner, Vice Chairman
C. Claiborne Linvill
Chris Lollis
Alex Saitta
Henry Wilson

Staff in Attendance:

Ken Roper, County Administrator
Meagan Nations, Clerk to Council
Les Hendricks, Attorney

The Committee of the Whole met in Main Conference Room, at the Pickens County Administration Facility, on Tuesday, January 17, 2023. All members of the committee were in attendance with Chairman Chris Bowers presiding the beginning of the meeting. Chairman Chris Bowers led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Chris Bowers called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order.

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UDSO – Log No. 141

- Mr. Roper gave a brief overview of the Unified Development Standards Ordinance, stating the UDSO regulates the use of land, the location and use of buildings and other site improvements, and the construction of public facilities and private improvements related to the development of land.
 - Council and staff had detailed discussion that included, but was not limited to:
 - Organization, Overview and Content of Each Article in UDSO
 - Mr. Roper reviewed the following with Council:
 - Sec. 303 – Motorized Vehicle Tracks (commercial)
 - Sec. 305 – Outdoor Firing Ranges
 - Sec. 309 – Large Scale Projects
 - Sec. 310 – Major Subdivisions
 - Sec. 313 – Manufactured Home Parks
 - Sec. 314 – Multi-Family Residential Developments (including townhomes)
 - Sec. 316 – Salvage, junk and scrap yards
 - Article 4 – Lot and Building Standards
 - Article 5 – Conventional Subdivisions, Open Space Subdivisions and Master Planned Developments
 - Article 6 – Off Street Parking and Loading Standards
 - Article 7 – Sign Standards
 - Article 8 – Buffers
 - Sec. 904 – Noise
 - Sec. 911 – Exterior Illumination
 - Article 10 – Project Design Standards

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- Article 11 – Land Development Activities
 - Sec. 1205 – Land Use Approval
 - Article 14 – Grandfathered Development
 - Article 15 – Administration and Enforcement
- Council and Staff also had other discussion that included, but was not limited to:
- Section 1012 – Private residential access
 - Article 5 – Conventional Subdivisions
 - Article 4 – Lot and Building Standards
 - Tiny Homes
 - Building permits last year vs. this year
 - Number of Homes in Pickens County & their average size
 - The Clerk to poll Council on upcoming work sessions to work more on the UDSO
 - Section 313 - Mobile Homes
 - Section 302 – Recreational Vehicle (RV) Parks and Campgrounds
- ❖ **Vice Chairman Roy Costner made a motion for a 6-month Moratorium, with an option to be extended out 90 days, to be moved out of Committee and for staff to provide recommendation on development size. Motion was seconded by Henry Wilson and carried unanimously (6-0).**
- ❖ **After more discussion, Chairman Chris Bowers made a motion for First Reading in Title Only to amend the UDSO and return to Committee for further discussion. Motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Roy Costner and carried unanimously (6-0).**

ADJOURN:

Hearing no further Committee business, Chairman Chris Bowers called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Councilman Henry Wilson, seconded by Vice Chairman Roy Costner and carried unanimously (6-0). Meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.