STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA (

( ORDINANCE NO. 2019 - 1601

COUNTY OF LANCASTER (

## AN ORDINANCE

TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2016-1442, THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE ("UDO"), CHAPTER 6.11, STREET NAMES AND HOUSE NUMBERS AND CHAPTER 6.12, UNIFORM ADDRESSING AND NUMBERING.

Be it ordained by the Council of Lancaster County, South Carolina:

## **Section 1.** Findings and Determinations.

The Council finds and determines that:

- (a) Lancaster County E-911 Addressing made application for text amendment of the Unified Development Ordinance ("UDO") Chapter 6.11, Street Names and House Numbers and Chapter 6.12, Uniform Addressing and Numbering to add clarity to the process by which 911 Address Permits are issued and to add additional suffixes and definitions for road names in order to more accurately reflect suffixes that are already in use.
- (b) The requested amendments will help ensure that approved road names and addresses are placed on the County map in a timely manner to increase the efficiency of response times for first responders.
- (c) The requested amendments will ensure that the UDO includes suffixes and definitions for street types already in use throughout the County. The addition of more suffixes will provide the 911 database coordinator more options for naming streets and will make the UDO more consistent with industry definitions of the various street name suffixes.

### Section 2. Amendment of Ordinance 2016-1442

Ordinance 2016-1442 (Unified Development Ordinance) Chapter 6.11, Street Names and House Numbers and Chapter 6.12, Uniform Addressing and Numbering is amended as follows:

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#### 6.11.3 ROAD NAME STANDARDS

- A. The following shall specify the designation of road names. The road related definitions listed below shall apply to the development of street names, house or building numbers, and other addressing purposes.
  - 1. Any road in excess of 1,000 feet in length shall be designated as: either "road," "street," "avenue" or "drive." The acceptable abbreviations for these suffixes are "Rd.," "St.," "Ave.," and "Dr."
    - a. Avenue (Ave): Avenues are often broad streets or roads; usually running perpendicular to streets. They serve as connectors between neighborhoods and area centers. As such, they are used both in residential and commercial areas. Avenues may also circulate around squares or neighborhood parks.
    - **b.** Boulevard (Blvd): A broad, often landscaped, thoroughfare; usually a main artery. A median is usually in the middle. They provide multi-lane access to commercial and mixed-use developments and carry regional traffic throughout the County.
    - **c.** <u>Circle (Cir): A curving side street; usually a small residential street whose shape</u> is circular.
    - **d.** Drive (Dr): A long, winding road that has its route shaped by its environment, like a nearby lake or mountain.
    - e. <u>Highway (Hwy): A public way; a main direct road that joins cities or towns together.</u>
    - f. Road (Rd): A thoroughfare that runs in any direction.
    - g. Street (St): A thoroughfare, especially in a city, town, or village, which is wider than an alley or lane and usually includes sidewalks. Usually runs perpendicular to avenues.
  - 2. Any road less than 1,000 feet in length or any road that is cul-de-sac or any road that begins and ends on the same road shall be designated as: "court," "way," "place," "terrace" or "lane." The acceptable abbreviations for these are "Ct.," "Way," "Pl.," "Ter." and "Ln."
    - a. Alley (Aly): A narrow street; a thoroughfare through the middle of a block giving access to the rear of lots or buildings which are intended to provide indirect, limited access, but not accommodate through traffic. Utilities, either above ground or underground, and services such as garages, service doors, dumpsters, etc. may be located in alleyways to provide service connections to rear elevations.
    - **b.** Court (Ct): A wide alley with only one opening onto a street; a road or street that ends in a circle or loop usually referred to as a cul-de-sac.
    - c. Lane (Ln): Lanes are small traveled ways intended to provide direct access to the front of a limited number of single-family structures. Lanes are limited in the number of lots served. Generally, they are very short; often less than 400 feet.

      Items including, but not limited to, traffic carrying capacity, topography and connectivity, shall be a consideration when permitting a lane in lieu of a street.
    - **d.** Place (Pl): A small street or court; usually a small residential street or a narrow street in a commercial district.
    - e. Terrace (Ter): A type of shorter, narrower road that follows the top of a slope.

- f. Trail (Trl): A winding thoroughfare.
- g. Way (Wy): A small side street off of a road.

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## 6.12 UNIFORM ADDRESSING AND NUMBERING

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#### **6.12.2 ASSIGNMENT OF NUMBERS**

C. All numbers shall be assigned by the Administrator on the basis of <u>two 2</u> numbers for every <u>25 five</u> feet of frontage along the street.

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- I. A 911 Address Permit must be completed for single point addresses or projects that are not reviewed by the Technical Review Committee. The following permitting process must be followed and paperwork documentation must be obtained and available to the 911 addressing coordinator before a 911 address can be issued. The following permitting process is required prior to the 911 address being issued:
- 1. Recorded plat and deed-
- 2. Zoning application-
- 3. Zoning permit-
- 4. Septic tank permit-
- 5. 911 addressing permit-
- J. Submitted plans that have been through the Technical Review Committee may be addressed upon approval, no 911 Address Permit is needed. The following items must be received in Addressing:
- 1. Approved plat or plans
- 2. Approval letter from Lancaster County Planning
- 3. CAD file, in State Plain, from Developer or Contractor

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#### Section 3. Severability.

If any section, subsection or clause of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the validity of the remaining sections, subsections and clauses shall not be affected.

# **Section 4.** Conflicting Provisions.

To the extent this ordinance contains provisions that conflict with provisions contained elsewhere in the Lancaster County Code or other County ordinances, the provisions contained in this ordinance supersede all other provisions and this ordinance is controlling.

## Section 5. Effective Date.

This ordinance is effective upon Third Reading.

## AND IT IS SO ORDAINED

Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2019.

LANCASTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

Steve Harper, Chair, County Council

Larry Honeycutt, Secretary, County Council

ATTEST:

Sherrie Simpson, Clerk to Council

First Reading:

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Second Reading: Public Hearing:

September 9, 2019 September 9, 2019

Third Reading:

September 23, 2019