COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2017-21

BILL NO. 2017-22

Title of Bill: Amendment - Zoning Ordinance - Land Use and Development Services

Synopsis: A Bill to amend the Zoning Ordinance to reflect the changes in the plan of organization so that the Department of Planning and Zoning will be known as the Department of Land Use and Development Services, and to reflect the new divisions of Planning and Zoning, Permits and Inspections, and Plan Review.

Introduced by: Council President on behalf of County Executive

Introduced, read first time and ordered posted on: November 7, 2017

Public hearing scheduled: December 5, 2017 at: 7:00 p.m.

Scheduled for Consideration: December 19, 2017

By:

Council Manager

Public Hearing

Notice of time and place of public hearing and title of Bill have been posted byat the Cou	nty
Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton and having been published according to the Ch	arter
on, a public hearing was held on, and concluded on	
By:	
Council Manager	

Explanation: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING BILL.

{Brackets} indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates language added to Bill by amendment.

Strike through indicates language stricken out of Bill by amendment.

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 402 of the Cecil County Charter (the "Charter"), the County 1 Executive (the "Executive") shall see that the affairs of the executive branch are administered properly and 2 3 efficiently, and that employees of the executive branch faithfully perform their duties; and WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 402 of the Charter, the duties and responsibilities of the Executive 4 include, but are not limited to: (a) Supervising and directing offices, agencies and divisions of the executive 5 6 branch and ensuring that County employees as well as County boards and commissions faithfully perform 7 their duties; and, (b) preparing and submitting to the Council the annual County Budget; and 8 WHEREAS, the Land Use Article (formerly, Article 66B) of the Annotated Code of Maryland 9 empowers Cecil County to adopt a Zoning Ordinance, Zoning Maps, and Subdivision regulations; and 10 WHEREAS, the Land Use Article (formerly, Article 66B) of the Annotated Code of Maryland establishes requirements relative to the adoption of said regulations and maps; and 11 WHEREAS, public hearings were held on 2, 9, and 16 February 2011 by the Cecil County Planning 12 Commission in regard to said regulations and maps; and 13 WHEREAS, the Planning Commission recommended adoption of said regulations and maps to the 14 Board of County Commissioners (now the County Council); and 15 16 WHEREAS, public hearings were held by the Board of County Commissioners on 2, 9, and 16 March 17 2011 and 5 April 2011 in regard to said regulations and maps; and WHEREAS, said regulations and maps were adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on 19 18 April 2011; and 19 20 WHEREAS, all requirements of the Land Use Article (formerly, Article 66B) of the Annotated Code of Maryland have been met in regard to the adoption of the Zoning Ordinance, Zoning Maps, and Subdivision 21 Regulations; and 22 23 WHEREAS, the County Executive reorganized the plan of organization by combining the Department of Planning and Zoning, Department of Permits and Inspections, and the Plans Review section of the 24 Department of Public Works into the Land Use and Development Services Department on April 17, 2017; 25 26 and WHEREAS, the Director of the Cecil County Department of Land Use and Development Services, 27 together with the Cecil County Planning Commission, has recommended that the Zoning Ordinance be 28

amended, as more fully set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has submitted the amendments set forth herein to the County 30 31 Council for consideration and approval. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, 32 MARYLAND, that the proposed amendments to the Cecil County Zoning Ordinance are hereby adopted as 33 34 follows: Article I: Title and Purpose 35 Section 6 Interpretation 36 37 Subsection 6.3 38 When subdivisions and development plans, approved by the Planning Commission DIRECTOR OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, contain setback or other features in excess of the minimum Zoning 39 40 Ordinance requirements, such features as shown on the approved plan shall govern and shall be enforced by the local permit official. Private deed restrictions or private covenants for a subdivision, which have not 41 been approved by the Planning Commission DIRECTOR OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES and 42 43 made part of the approved subdivision plan, do not fall within the jurisdiction of enforcement by any local agency and cannot be enforced by the permit official. Conditions imposed by the Planning Commission 44 45 DIRECTOR OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES ... 46 Article II. Basic Definitions and Interpretations Part II. Zoning Maps 47 Section 13. Official Zoning Maps 48 49 Subsection 13.3 A copy of the maps shall be located in the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND 50 **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.** 51 52 Section 14. Replacement of Official Zoning Maps 53 Subsection 14.2 The Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES shall certify 54 as to the accuracy of the new Official Zoning Maps and the maps shall be identified by the signature of the 55 County Council attested to by the County Executive, ... 56 Section 15. Location and Boundaries of Zones 57

Subsection 15.3.i.

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- 59 ...the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES shall
- 60 interpret the zone boundaries.
- 61 Article V. Specific Supplementary Use Regulations
- 62 Part 1. Agricultural Uses
- 63 Section 66. Kennels, Commercial
- 64 Subsection 66.5
- A site plan shall be submitted to and approved by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF
- 66 LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES prior to the issue of a kennel license. The Office of Planning and
- 67 Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES shall ...
- 68 Part V. Recreation, Amusement, Entertainment Uses
- 69 Section 101. Campgrounds and Recreational Vehicle Parks
- 70 Subsection 101.14
- 71 A major site plan shall be submitted to and approved by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT
- 72 **OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** in accordance with Section 291.
- 73 Part XI. Motor Vehicle Related Sales and Service Uses
- 74 Section 138. Salvage Yards
- 75 Subsection 138.1
- 76 The parcel on which the use is situated shall be enclosed with a continuous fence or evergreen shrubbery
- 77 screen, as approved by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT
- 78 **SERVICES**.
- 79 Subjection 138.11
- 80 The proprietor of any proposed or existing salvage yards shall be required to obtain a Salvage Yard License
- 81 from the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- Salvage yard licenses may be revoked by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE
- 83 **AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** if the salvage yard is not in compliance with items 1-7 above. Salvage yards
- shall not operate without a valid salvage yard license and any salvage yard operating as such shall be issued
- a Stop Work Order by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT
- 86 **SERVICES.** In determining whether or not to issue a Salvage Yard License, the Office of Planning and Zoning
- 87 **DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** may require...Inspectors from the Office of
- 88 Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES may inspect...

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- 89 Part XII. Industrial Uses
- 90 Section 155. Sludge Handling
- 91 Subsection 155.2.b
- A site plan indicating the proposed use of the site prior to initiation of the project shall be submitted for
- 93 approval by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 94 Subsection 155.2.d
- Access points and screening shall be provided at such locations and be of such types as may be required by
- 96 the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 97 Subsection 155.3.c
- A site plan indicating the proposed use of the site prior to initiation of the project shall be submitted for
- 99 approval by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 100 Subsection 155.3.d
- 101 Access points and screening shall be provided at such locations and be of such types as may be required by
- the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 103 Subsection 155.4.b
- Access points and screening shall be provided at such locations and be of such types as may be required by
- 105 the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 106 Subsection 155.5.d
- A site plan indicating the proposed use of the site prior to initiation of the project shall be submitted for
- approval to the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 109 Subsection 155.5.e
- 110 Access points and screening shall be provided at such locations and be of such types as may be required by
- 111 the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 112 Subsection 155.5.g.(1)
- Application rates for nonagricultural land shall be consistent with the site plan approved by the Office of
- 114 Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 115 Subsection 155.6.d
- A site plan indicating the proposed use of the site prior to initiation of the project shall be submitted for
- approval to the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 118 Subsection 155.6.e

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- Access points and screening shall be provided at such locations and be of such types as may be required by
- the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 121 Section 158. Storage Trailer or Container
- 122 Subsection 158.3
- 123 The Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES shall issue...
- 124 Section 159. Neighborhood Essential Services
- 125 Subsection 159.1
- 126 The Bufferyard E 1.0 standard may be modified by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF
- 127 LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES to a ...
- 128 Subsection 159.2
- 129 All water and sanitary sewer pump stations, shared water systems, sewage treatment facilities and/or
- 130 wastewater treatment plants established in existing communities shall be placed in a soundproof building
- and shall be screened by an evergreen vegetative buffer approved by the Office of Planning and Zoning
- 132 DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 133 Subsection 159.3
- A lighting plan must be approved by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND
- 135 **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.**
- 136 Subsection 159.4
- 137 A landscape plan for the Bufferyard E or vegetative buffer, shall be approved by the Office of Planning and
- 138 Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 139 Section 160. Video Lottery Facility
- 140 Subsection 160.4
- 141 Restaurants, hotels, entertainment venues, and retail commercial may be established in connection with
- said use and must be included on a major site plan submitted to the Office of Planning and Zoning
- 143 DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 144 Section 170. Setback Modification
- 145 The front, rear and side yard setbacks, and lot width requirements may be modified by the Cecil County
- 146 Planning Commission in the case of major subdivisions and by the Office of Planning and Zoning
- 147 **DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** in the case of ...
- 148 Article IX. Environmental Standards and Open Space

- 149 Section 174. Environmental Standards for all Subdivisions and Development Requiring Site Plan Approval
- 150 Subsection 174.1.b
- 151 If the property is located outside of the Cecil County Critical Area District this buffer requirement may be
- waived by the Cecil County Planning Commission and/or the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT
- 153 **OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** for the following:
- 154 Subsection 174.2.b
- 155 If the property is located outside of the Cecil County Critical Area District this buffer requirement may be
- waived by the Cecil County Planning Commission and/or the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT
- 157 **OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** for the following:
- 158 Section 176. Provision of Common Open Space
- 159 Subsection 176.3.c
- 160 Culturally and historically significant sites and/or structures as determined by guidelines established by the
- 161 Cecil County Planning Commission, Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND
- 162 **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**, and the Maryland Historical Trust.
- 163 Section 182. Open Space Payment in Lieu
- 164Said payment shall be in an amount established by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF
- 165 LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES and shall be made prior to final plat approval by the Planning
- 166 Commission DIRECTOR OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 167 Article X. Landscape Requirements
- 168 Section 185. Landscape Plan Required
- 169 Subsection 185.1
- 170 ...which may be approved in sections by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE
- 171 AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, ...
- 172 Section 186. Street Trees Requirement
- 173 Subsection 186.1.b
- 174 The spacing between and/or actual placement of the street trees may be modified by the Office of Planning
- 175 and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES in order...
- 176 Subsection 186.2

- 177 Street trees shall be included in a Landscape Plan and guaranteed by bond or other means acceptable to
- the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES and/or the
- 179 Cecil County Planning Commission.
- 180 Subsection 186.3
- 181 Street trees and planted buffers may count towards the required landscaping percentage as determined by
- the Planning Commission and/or the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND
- 183 **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**.
- 184 Section 187. Bufferyards
- 185 Subsection 187.2
- 186 The Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES or Planning
- 187 Commission ...
- 188 Section 188. Bonding and Financial Security of Plantings
- 189 Subsection 188.2
- 190 The agreement shall in form and substance as approved by the Office of Planning and Zoning
- 191 DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES and shall ...
- 192 Subsection 188.2.e.1 The Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT
- 193 **SERVICES** and the oblige ...
- 194 Subsection 188.3
- 195 The person required to provide financial security under this section may request reduction of the amount
- of the financial security by submitting a written request to the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT
- 197 **OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** with ...At the time of the reduction request the person may
- 198 also change the type of guarantee with the approval of the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF
- 199 LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 200 Subsection 188.4
- 201 The Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES will ...
- 202 Subsection 188.5(a) The financial security may be released on receipt of written notice from the Office of
- 203 Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES stating ...
- 204 Subsection 188.5(b)

- 205 Written notice shall be sent at the end of the required monitoring and maintenance period unless as
- 206 provided in Subsection 6 below or non-compliance with this section is determined by the Office of Planning
- 207 and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 208 Subsection 188.5(c)
- 209 If the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES fails to ...
- 210 Subsection 188.6(a)(2)
- 211 ...implement a corrective action necessary to complete or carryout the landscape plan as determined by
- 212 the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 213 Subsection 188.6(b)
- 214 The Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES shall notify
- 215 the oblige, by certified mail, of the intention of the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND
- 216 **USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** to initiate forfeiture proceedings.
- 217 Subsection 188.6(e)
- 218 The Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES shall ...
- 219 Article XI. Overlay Zones
- 220 Part 1. Critical Area District
- 221 Section 191. Statement of Intent, Purpose, Applicability, Implementation, Findings, Requirements and
- 222 Definitions
- 223 Subsection 191.10
- The County's Critical Area Program and all applicable provisions of this ordinance shall be implemented and
- 225 enforced by the County Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT
- 226 **SERVICES AND** the Department of Public Works and the Department of Permits and Inspections.
- 227 Section 195. Modified Buffer Areas
- 228 Subsection 195.5
- 229 New development or redevelopment including structures, roads, parking areas, and other impervious
- surfaces or septic systems will not be permitted in the Buffer unless the applicant can demonstrate that
- there is no feasible alternative and the Planning Commission or the Office of Planning and Zoning
- 232 **DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** finds ...
- 233 Subsection 195.6

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- New development or redevelopment including structures, roads, parking areas, accessory structures and
- other areas of lot coverage or septic systems will not be permitted in the Buffer unless the applicant can
- 236 demonstrate that there is no feasible alternative and the Planning Commission or the Office of Planning
- 237 and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES finds ...
- 238 Subsection 195.6(d)(1)
- New accessory structures may be located closer to the water or edge of tidal wetlands than the principal
- dwelling only if it has been determined by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE
- 241 AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES that ...
- 242 Subsection 195.6(i)(1)
- 243 ...or other location as may be determined by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND
- 244 **USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**.
- 245 Subsection 195.8
- The Planning Commission shall consider the written findings of the Office of Planning and Zoning
- 247 **DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** documenting ...
- Section 197. General Regulations for Development and Land Use within the Critical Area District
- 249 Subsection 197.10.a
- 250 ... and approved by the Planning Commission or the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND
- USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES prior ... and bond if deemed necessary by the Office of Planning and
- 252 Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES....
- 253 Subsection 197.12.b(13)(c)
- 254 The analysis shall be submitted to the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND
- 255 **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** for ... The Planning Commission or the Office of Planning and Zoning
- 256 **DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** shall ...
- 257 Section 200. Development Standards in Limited Development Areas (LDAs)
- 258 Subsection 200.13.e
- 259 ... upon the findings of the Director of Planning and Zoning LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES or ...
- 260 Subsection 200.13.f
- 261 If the Director of Planning and Zoning LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES or ...
- 262 Section 201. Development Standards in Resources Conservation Areas (RCAs)
- 263 Subsection 201.5

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- 264 ... if it is determined by the {Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND
- 265 **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** that ...
- 266 Section 202. Woodland Reforestation and Afforestation Standards
- 267 Subsection 202.7
- 268 A planting plan shall be submitted by the developer to the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF
- 269 LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES for approval, ...
- 270 Subsection 202.9.a
- 271 Although plant types should be chosen from the recommended plant list available from the Office of
- 272 Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES or ...
- 273 Subsection 202.10
- The landscape agreement shall be in form and substance as approved by the Office of Planning and Zoning
- 275 **DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** and ...
- 276 Subsection 202.10.c
- 277 All bonds or other forms of surety shall be in a form acceptable to and approved by the Office of Planning
- 278 and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 279 Subsection 202.10.e
- 280 The Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES or its ...
- 281 Subsection 202-A Commercial Timber Harvesting
- 282 Subsection 202-A.2
- 283 ... the approved plan shall be sent to the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND
- 284 **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** prior ...
- 285 Subsection 202-A.4.a
- 286 ... and notice of approval shall be sent to the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE
- 287 AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 288 Section 205. Growth Allocation (GA) Districts
- 289 Subsection 205.1.a(1)
- 290 A request for GA from the Towns shall be made to the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF
- 291 LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 292 Subsection 205.1.a(2)
- 293 The Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES shall ...

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- 294 Section 206. Award Process for Growth Allocation
- 295 Subsection 206.3
- 296 ... and the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT
- 297 SERVICES...assigned by Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT
- 298 **SERVICES,** ...
- 299 Subsection 206.4 The Planning Commission and the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND
- 300 USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES shall ...
- 301 Section 209. Submission Requirements
- 302 Subsection 209.2
- 303 ... shall be submitted to the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND
- 304 **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** as ...
- 305 Subsection 209.3
- 306 The Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES shall ... The
- 307 Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES shall that the
- 308 Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES may ...
- 309 Section 210. Procedure for Review of GA District Applications
- 310 Subsection 210.2.a(1)
- 311 Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES staff ...
- 312 Subsection 210.2.a(4)
- 313 The Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES staff ...
- 314 Subsection 210.2.b(1)
- 315 The Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES staff ...
- 316 Subsection 210.2.b(4)
- 317 ... the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES staff ...
- 318 Subsection 210.2.c(2)
- Prior to approving the final site plan or subdivision plat, the Planning Commission DIRECTOR OF THE LAND
- 320 USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES or ...
- 321 Section 213. Procedure for the Granting of Growth Allocation Floating Zones to Project Point Scoring
- 322 System Exemptions
- 323 Subsection 213.6

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- Subsection 245.5.n 352

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Part V. Transfer of Development Rights

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383	Section 246.
384	Subsection 246.8.h
385	A final plat shall be presented to the Planning Commission DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE
386	AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES for approval or disapproval. Prior to the Planning Commission's DIRECTOR
387	OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES' review,
388	Subsection 246.8.i
389	If the final plat is approved by the Planning Commission DIRECTOR OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT
390	SERVICES, the Transfer of Development Rights Conservation Easement and Deed of Transfer of
391	Development Rights shall be recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Court for Cecil County. The record
392	plats shall not be signed by the Director of Planning and Zoning LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
393	until the recordation of these documents occurs.
394	Subsection 246.8.k
395	The Cecil County Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
396	shall send a certificate of availability of development rights to property owners that qualify as a sending
397	area upon request.
398	Subsection 246.8.L
399	If a landowner who is eligible to sell development rights sells those rights, the landowner shall notify the
400	Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES of the
401	transaction and the number of development rights sold, unless those rights are sold the County. The Office
402	of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES shall be notified of
403	future transfer of development rights between purchaser and seller, unless those rights are transferred
404	through the County.
405	Section 247. Brownfield Redevelopment District - BR
406	Subsection 247.3.a
407	The Director of Planning and Zoning LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES shall be authorized to grant
408	administrative adjustments for commercial and/or industrial developments as part of the site plan review
409	process.
410	Article XIV. Accessibility and Parking Requirements
411	Section 272. General

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- 413 With the approval of the Planning Commission or the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND
- 414 USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES,...
- 415 Subsection 272.2.b
- 416 A parking plan is filed and approved by the Cecil County Planning Commission or the Office of Planning and
- 417 Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 418 Subsection 272.3
- 419 The required minimum number of parking spaces may be reduced by the Office of Planning and Zoning
- 420 **DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** or the Planning Commission ...
- 421 Any proposal seeking this reduction by forming a private multi-modal or multi-passenger transportation
- 422 system must be approved by the Cecil County Planning Commission or the Office of Planning and Zoning
- 423 DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 424 Section 273. General Parking Specifications
- 425 Subsection 273.3
- 426 ..., and the applicable landscape buffer and screening requirements may be modified as approved by the
- 427 Cecil County Planning Commission or the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND
- 428 **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.**
- 429 Section 275. Business/Industrial Parking Specifications
- 430 Subsection 275.5
- 431 ... unless a modification is granted by the Cecil County Planning Commission or the Office of Planning and
- 432 Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 433 Subsection 275.8
- 434 ..., and a parking plan must be approved by the Cecil County Planning Commission or the Office of Planning
- 435 and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.
- 436 Section 290. Minor Site Plans
- 437 Subsection 290.2
- 438 Minor site plans shall be approved by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND
- 439 **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES...** and shall be reviewed by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF
- 440 LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES concurrently with the building permit.
- 441 Section 291. Major Site Plans
- 442 Subsection 291.4

- Site plans for development outside the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area, when required in this Ordinance, shall
- be prepared and submitted as described in Appendix A and approved by the Office of Planning and Zoning
- 445 **DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**. Said Office DEPARTMENT may ...
- 446 Subsection 291.5
- 447 Site plans for development inside the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area, where required by this Ordinance, shall
- be prepared and submitted as described in Appendix C and approved by the Office of Planning and Zoning
- 449 **DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**. Said Office DEPARTMENT may ...
- 450 Subsection 291.10
- 451 An appropriate number of copies of all major site plans shall be submitted to the Office of Planning and
- 452 Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES. Such Office DEPARTMENT may ...
- 453 Subsection 291.11.a
- 454 Upon receipt of the major site plan, the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND
- 455 **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** shall review such plan ...
- 456 The entity responsible for the preparation of the site plan shall provide verification to the Office of Planning
- 457 and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES that all adjoining property owners
- 458 to the subject property have been notified of the site plan submittal.
- 459 Subsection 291.11.b
- 460 Where the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES finds
- 461 that, because of unusual circumstances of shape and topography or other features or conditions of the
- 462 proposed development or because of the nature of adjacent development, extraordinary hardships may
- result from strict compliance with regulations, including but not limited to, frontages, setbacks, or buffers,
- 464 the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES may grant a
- 465 modification of such regulations when requested by the developer.
- 466 In granting modifications, the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND
- 467 **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** may require ... Any modification of these regulations for a particular development
- 468 shall be noted on the final site plan and appear in the records of the Office of Planning and Zoning
- 469 **DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.**
- 470 Subsection 291.12.a
- 471 The applicant may construct only such improvements as have been approved by the Office of Planning and
- 472 Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.

- 473 Subsection 291.13.b
- Upon written request by the applicant, within thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of said approval, a two
- 475 (2) year extension may be given by the {Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND
- 476 **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**.
- 477 Section 295. Planning Commission Established
- 478 Subsection 295.4
- 479 The Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES shall be
- 480 represented at all meetings of the Planning Commission, ...
- 481 Subsection 295.5
- 482 Staff from the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
- shall be present during all deliberations by the Planning Commission ...
- 484 Section 297. Technical Advisory Committee
- 485 The Planning Commission shall organize a Technical Advisory Committee composed of staff members of the
- 486 Planning Office DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, ...
- 487 Part II. Board of Appeals
- 488 Section 298. Board of Appeals Established
- 489 Subsection 298.6.b
- 490 Staff from the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
- 491 shall be present ...
- 492 Subsection 298.8.a
- 493 Appeals shall be filed with the Office of Planning and Zoning Department of Land Use and Development
- 494 **Services** and shall specify the grounds thereof. The Office of Planning and Zoning Department of Land Use
- and Development Services shall forthwith transmit ...
- 496 Part III. Other Administrative Provisions
- 497 Section 299. Zoning Administrator
- 498 Subsection 299.1
- The administration and enforcement of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be, except as otherwise
- specified in this Ordinance, within the scope of responsibility of the Director, Office of Planning and Zoning
- 501 **DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**. Within this Office DEPARTMENT, there is

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- 502 hereby established the position of County Zoning Administrator. The Director, Office of Planning and
- 503 Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES shall recommend ...
- 504 Section 301. Fees and Charges
- 505 ...upon recommendation of the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND
- 506 **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**.
- 507 Article XVII. Appeals, Variances, Interpretations, Special Exceptions, Amendments and Procedures
- 508 Section 305. Appeals
- 509 Subsection 305.1
- A notice of appeal shall be considered filed when the Zoning Administrator and the Board of Appeals when
- delivered to the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
- and when the application fee is paid.
- 513 Part II. Special Exceptions
- 514 Section 308. Application for Special Exception
- 515 Such application shall be forwarded from the Zoning Administrator to the Board of Appeals for review and
- decision in accordance with the Office of Planning and Zoning's DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND
- 517 **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** submission deadline and scheduling policies.
- 518 Section 313. Approval of Special Exceptions
- 519 Subsection 313.2
- 520 The Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES and the
- 521 Planning Commission have reviewed the application and stated their recommendations to the Board.
- 522 Subsection 313.3 Where requested or required by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF
- 523 **LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**, the applicant has obtained written comments on the application
- from other agencies.
- Part III. Hearing Procedures for Appeals, Variances, Special Exceptions or Petitions of Revocation
- 526 Section 316. Hearing Required on Appeals and Applications
- 527 Subsection 316.1
- Before making a decision on an appeal or an application for a variance, special exception, or a petition from
- the Zoning Administrator or Director of Planning LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES to revoke a
- 530 special exception, ...
- 531 Part IV. Amendments

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- 532 Section 323. Initiation of Amendments 533 Subsection 323.1 Proposed amendments may be originated by the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND 534 USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, the Planning Commission, the County Council, or the owner(s) of the 535 536 property(s) for which a zoning change is sought. 537 Subsection 323.2 Proposed amendments shall first be submitted to the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF 538 539 LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES. 540 Section 325. Planning Commission Consideration of Proposed Amendments 541 Subsection325.1.d 542 The Public shall be given an opportunity to testify or ask questions of the applicant, his witnesses, or the planning) staff OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES. 543 Section 326. County Council Action on Amendments 544 Subsection 326.5 545 In the granting of any amendment pursuant to this Ordinance, County Council shall solicit and consider the 546 547 recommendations of the Office of Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT **SERVICES** and those of the Planning Commission. 548 Subsection 326.9 The record shall be open to public inspection and shall be maintained in the Office of 549 Planning and Zoning DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES. 550
- AND, BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND,

that this Bill shall take effect 60 calendar days from the date it becomes law.

CERTIFICATION

I, HEREBY CERTIFY that the above Bill was posted for the public on the public bulletin board with the date, time and location of the public hearing meeting, copies were made available for the public, a copy was distributed to the press, and copy was made available on the Cecil County website.

BY: Council Manager