AMENDING CHAPTER 30 (LDO)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GREENSBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES WITH RESPECT TO ZONING, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

(Editor's Note: Added text shown with underline.)

Section 1. That Section 30-8-10.4, Office, Retail, and Commercial Uses, is amended to remove the following use standard:

(U) Short Term Rentals

The intent of these standards is to ensure the level of activity related to short term rentals does not change the character of property for residential use or create significant negative impacts on adjacent residential uses.

- 1) Short Term Rentals are allowed only in residential dwelling units
- 2) A Short Term Rental must be separated from any other Short Term Rental by a minimum of 750 feet, as measured from property lines (property separation as defined in 30-7-1.2).
- 3) Short Term Rentals are required to secure a zoning permit and have the permit conspicuously posted on the associated property and on any advertisements or postings related to the short term rental. A new zoning permit is required if the property owner or local operator changes and must be done within 30 days of the change in owner or operator. This permit may be denied or revoked by the Planning Department based on either the conviction of the owner/operator of a criminal offense on the Short Term Rental premises as outlined under North Carolina General Statutes or having two or more verified violations of this or any other City ordinance on the Short Term Rental premises within a 365 day period, in addition to any other enforcement actions outlined in 30-5-4.
- 4) No more than two (2) adults per bedroom rented are allowed. Children and other persons under age 18 as of the date of the rental do not count towards this cap.
- 5) Gatherings that are publicly announced or promoted (through any means) and involve more than 2 times the number of persons renting the property are prohibited.
- 6) Exterior signage is prohibited.
- 7) Local operators or property owners for whole house rentals must be physically located in Guilford County or counties directly adjacent to Guilford County, place their contact information prominently in the short term rental, and be readily accessible throughout the rental period.
- 8) Short Term Rentals shall comply with all applicable State and local laws including, but not limited to, minimum housing, building and fire codes and shall pay all appropriate taxes, including occupancy taxes, to the relevant governmental entities. Failure to do so will constitute grounds for revocation of the zoning permit.
- 9) For multifamily buildings no more than one dwelling unit per building or 25% of the total units per building, whichever is greater, may be used as a short term rental.
- 10) Parking for Short Term Rentals is limited to 1 car per bedroom rented.

- 11) A Short Term Rental shall have the same parking rights as the dwelling unit where it is located and shall be subject to any relevant community standards normally applied to the dwelling unit.
- 12) All Short Term Rentals must be in compliance with these standards by January 1, 2024.

Section 2. All ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 3. This ordinance shall become effective on February 18, 2025.