

**AN ORDINANCE**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A MORATORIUM ON THE ACCEPTANCE OF PRELIMINARY PLAT APPLICATIONS FOR MAJOR SUBDIVISIONS IN GREENVILLE COUNTY FOR A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS.**

**WHEREAS**, Greenville County Council finds that the amount and quality of preliminary plat applications for major subdivisions in both the zoned and unzoned areas of Greenville County have raised concerns over the impact new subdivisions will have on the road infrastructure, traffic congestion, emergency service response time, natural habitats, and quality of life in Greenville County; and

**WHEREAS**, a temporary pause on new residential development of major subdivisions will provide Greenville County Council, County staff, and the public an opportunity to study the multitude of issues attached to residential growth in the County, and look for improvements to County regulations for adoption that will assist the County in guiding future growth; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Greenville County will greatly benefit from a temporary hold on new residential development of major subdivisions for a reasonable period of time while new regulations are being developed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL:**

**Section 1. Moratorium.** Greenville County Council hereby declares a countywide moratorium on the acceptance of preliminary plat applications for major subdivisions as defined in the Greenville County Land Development Regulations. This moratorium shall take effect upon the adoption of this ordinance and remain in effect for a period of six months from the date of adoption.

**Section 2. Severability.** Severability is intended throughout and within the provisions of this Ordinance. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, then that decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

**Section 3. Repeal.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance, or inconsistent with its provisions, are hereby repealed or superseded to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

**Section 4. Effective Date.** This Ordinance is effective upon adoption.

**DONE IN REGULAR MEETING THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.**

ATTEST:

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Regina McCaskill  
Clerk to Council

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Willis H. Meadows, Chairman  
Greenville County Council

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Joseph M. Kernell  
County Administrator