Zoning Docket from June 19, 2023 Public Hearing

Docket Number	Applicant	CC DIST.	STAFF REC.	GCPC REC.	P&D REC.	COUNCIL ACTION
CZ-2023-044	Greenville County Council Countywide Text Amendment to amend Article 6, Table 6.1: Uses Permitted, Use by Special Exception, and Conditional Uses, and Article 8, Section 8:10: BTD, Business and Technology District of the Greenville County Zoning Ordinance	All	Approval	Approval 6/28/23	Approval 7/17/23	
Public Comments	Some of the general comments made by Speakers at the Public Hearing on June 19, 2023 were: Speakers For: None Speakers Against: None					Petition/Letter For: None Against: None
Staff Report	REQUEST HISTORY and EXPLANATION At its inception, the BTD, Business and Technology District was meant to allow for the creation of high-quality business parks. The language originally drafted for the ordinance had that intent in mind, yet lacked specific criteria to guide these developments. After some years of administering the ordinance for the BTD district, staff has found a need to draft new guiding regulations which better align with the original intent of the district. The proposed text amendment includes the following changes: 1. To remove Uses Permitted, Uses by Special Exception, Conditional Uses and Prohibited Uses from Section 8:10.1-3 and add them to Table 6.1; Uses Permitted, Uses by Special Exception, and Conditional uses 2. Add new Signage Design Standards to Section 8:10.8 Signs 3. Add additional language to Section 8:10.9 Landscaping, Buffers, and Screening 4. Revise and add additional standards for Section 8:10.11 Architectural Form					
	A copy of the full text changes is attached. This text amendment request went as a Consent Item before County Council on May 16, 2023. A					

CONCLUSION and RECOMMENDATION

Council on June 20, 2023.

Staff is of the opinion that the proposed text amendments would establish better criteria for guiding developers and reviewing projects within the BTD District to ensure a higher quality product which matches the original intent of the district.

Based on these reasons, staff recommends approval of the proposed Text Amendment.