

**AN ORDINANCE**

**TO AMEND THE “FLOODWAYS” SECTION OF THE FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE CODIFIED AT SECTION 37 OF CHAPTER 8, ARTICLE II OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF GREENVILLE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL:**

**Section 1. Amendment.** Section 37 of Chapter 8, Article II of the Code of Ordinances of Greenville County, South Carolina, known as the Greenville County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, is hereby amended as follows:

“DIVISION 4. PROVISIONS FOR FLOOD HAZARD REDUCTION

§ 8-37 FLOODWAYS.

Located within areas of special flood hazard established in § 8-24, are areas designated as floodways. The floodway is an extremely hazardous area due to the velocity of floodwaters which carry debris and potential projectiles. The following provisions shall apply within such areas:

- (a) No encroachments, including fill, new construction, substantial improvements, additions, and other developments shall be permitted.
- (b) Stream crossings for any temporary purpose (i.e., timber harvesting operations), shall be permitted in accordance with § 8-29(b). Otherwise, the development shall comply with all applicable flood hazard reduction provisions of Article IV. Water, sewer, electrical **and**, telecommunication lines **and other public infrastructure** may be located within the floodway; however, they must be placed no lower than 4 feet above the base flood elevation, or constructed utilizing floodproofing methods that prevent the intrusion of flood waters, and causes no adverse effect on the floodway.
- (c) No manufactured homes shall be permitted.
- (d) Permissible uses within floodways may include: general farming, pasture, outdoor plant nurseries, horticulture, forestry, wildlife sanctuary, game farm, and other similar agricultural, wildlife, and related uses. Also, lawns, gardens, play areas, picnic grounds, **and biking, walking,** hiking and horseback riding trails are acceptable uses, provided that they do not employ structures or fill. The uses listed in this subsection are permissible only if it causes no adverse effect on the floodway.”

**Section 2.**     **Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

**DONE IN REGULAR MEETING THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.**

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Dan Tripp, Chairman  
County Council

ATTEST:

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Regina McCaskill  
Clerk to Council

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Joseph M. Kernell  
County Administrator