

## TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION SEPTEMBER 16, 2020

## **Agenda:**

Quick Background on 160D

Policy Considerations for Selected 160D Provisions

Questions

Next Steps

#### **BACKGROUND**

Chapter 160D – new section of NC General Statutes containing rules for local land use authority

- Created by Session Law 2019-111
- Revised by Session Law 2020-25

#### PART I

In effect now

Revisions to development review procedures —

no text amendments required

#### PART II

Compliance required by July 2021

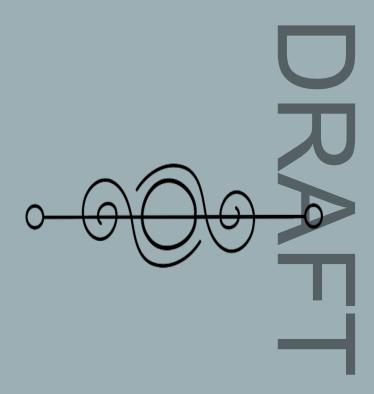
Updates to LUMO and Town Code

# CHAPTER 160D PARTIES OF NORTH CAROLINA

WHAT DOES THIS LAW MEAN FOR CHAPEL HILL?

## **TOPICS**

- Discontinuation of Conditional Use District Zoning
- Advisory Board Review of Special Use Permits
- Appeals of Historic District Commission Decisions



## CONDITIONAL USE DISTRICT ZONING

- I60D eliminates this development review option
- Combines Legislative Rezoning with Quasi-judicial Special Use Permit
- Developed to place conditions on rezonings
- Problematic since combines legislative & quasi-judicial actions
- Still retain Special Use Permits



## CONDITIONAL ZONING

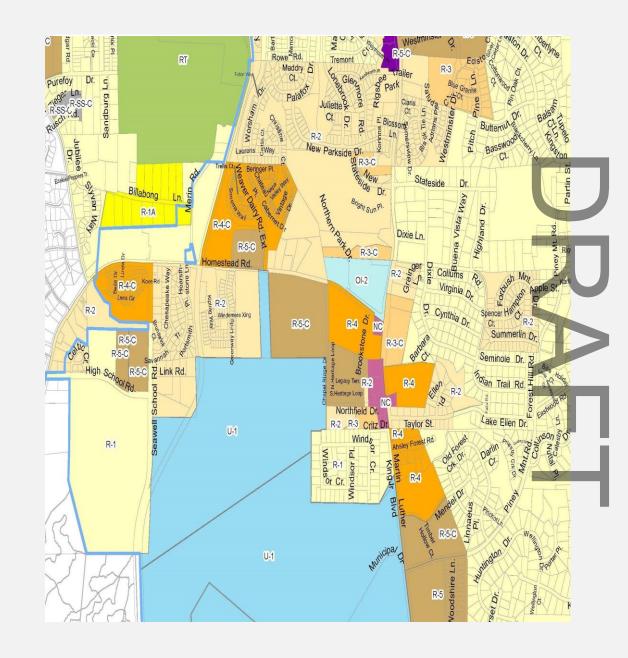
- Replaces Conditional Use District
   Zoning under 160D
- Written Consent to Conditions for Conditional Zoning Applications
- Latitude on Placing Conditions on Conditional Zoning Applications



## ELIMINATION OF CONDITIONAL USE DISTRICT ZONING

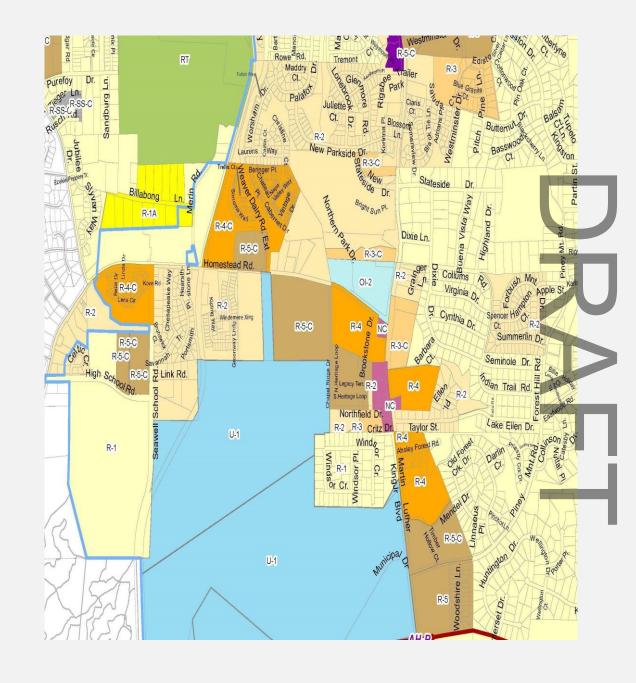
#### **Practical Considerations:**

- Must Replace –C Districts on Zoning Atlas with –CZD
- 2. Lack CZD Districts for existing-C Districts
- 3. Conditional Use Only Districts, like R-SS-C & MU-V



## CONDITIONAL USE DISTRICT VS. CONDITIONAL ZONING

Lack R-3-CZD & R-4-CZD
 but have R-3 & R-4
 Conditional Use Districts



## CONDITIONAL USE DISTRICT VS. CONDITIONAL ZONING

## Other Conditional Use Districts

R-I-C	R-IA-C	ノ ロ
R-2-C	R-2A-C	
HR-L-C	HR-M-C	П
R-LDI-C	R-LD5-C	

## CONDITIONAL USE DISTRICT VS. CONDITIONAL ZONING

## • Questions:

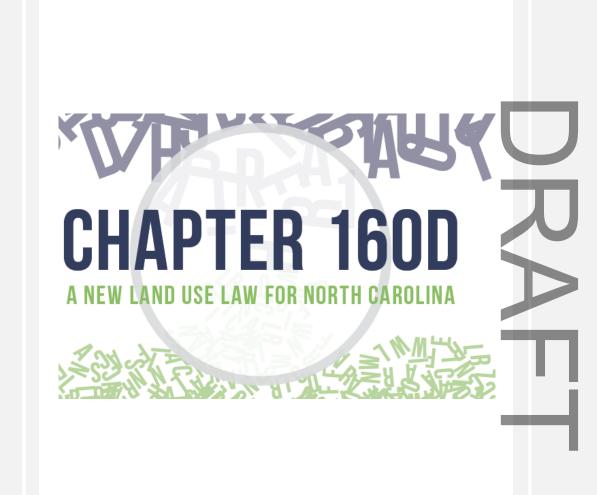
Should we only create CZ Districts for R-3 & R-4?

Should we create CZ Districts for all existing conditional use districts?

Should we create CZ Districts for R-SS-C & MU-V?

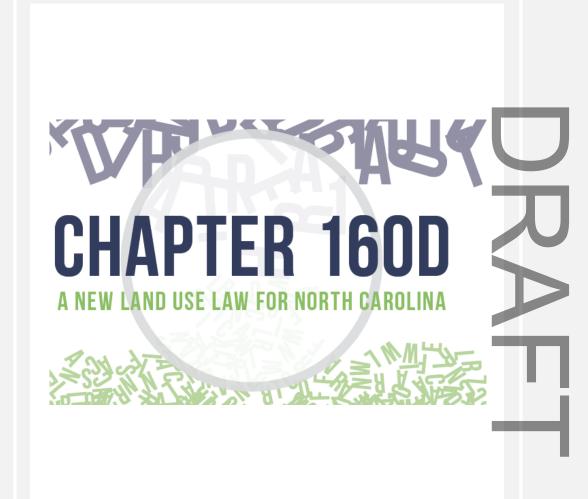
## SPECIAL USE PERMITS

- When can Special Use Permits be utilized after 160D Implementation?
  - Use Matrix
  - 20/40 Rule



## ADVISORY BOARD REVIEW OF SPECIAL USE PERMITS

 Advisory board recommendations may NOT be used by Council as the basis for deciding Special Use Permits



## ADVISORY BOARD REVIEW OF SPECIAL USE PERMITS

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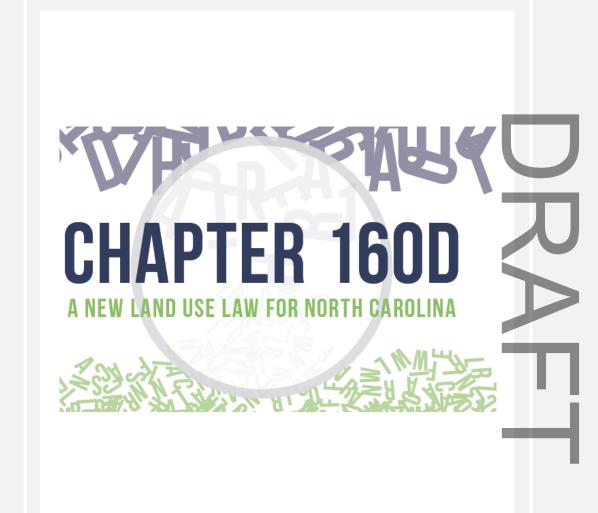
What should be the future role of Boards/Commissions?

#### **ALTERNATIVES**

- Preliminary Forum
- Discontinue Board/CommissionReview
- Other ideas

## APPEALS OF HISTORIC DISTRICT DECISIONS

Option to send appeals directly to NC Superior Court



## APPEALS OF HDC DECISIONS

 Appeals currently proceed to the Board of Adjustment

### **ALTERNATIVES**

- NO change to existing process
- Amend LUMO to send appeals to Superior Court

## Advantages of Each Alternative

Appeals to BOA	Appeals to Superior Court
Avoids Court Costs for Town	Less workload for BOA members
Shorter timeframe for applicant	Avoids tension between HDC and BOA, if a decision is overturned
Opportunity to critically review decision prior to Court	

## APPEALS OF HDC DECISIONS

 Question? Should appeals from the HDC proceed to BOA or Superior Court?

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## PROPOSED PROCESS

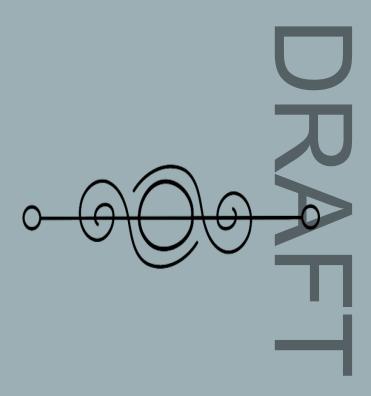
Staff assesses necessary changes to Town Code	March-July 2020
Council introduction	June 2020
Public Engagement –  Building Familiarity	July-September 2020
Council discussion of necessary changes and policy options	September-October 2020

Public Engagement – Policy Choices	October 2020 - January 2021
Draft Text Amendments	February 2021
Planning Commission Review	February-March 2021
Council Review and Adoption	April-May 2021

#### **NEXT STEPS**

## Work Session in October – Spoiler Alert!

- Changes to LUMO Definitions
- Development Agreements New Options
- Vesting Rights Plans
- Other Interesting, Technical Zoning Topics!?



## FINAL QUESTIONS?

