

**ORDINANCE # ZA-18-04**  
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TOWN OF SMITHFIELD**  
**UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE ARTICLE 7, SECTION**  
**7.3 CHURCHES / PLACE OF WORSHIP AND AMEND ARTICLE 6**  
**ZONING DISTRICTS, SECTION 6.5 TABLE OF USES AND**  
**ACTIVITIES**

**WHEREAS**, the Smithfield Town Council wishes to amend certain provisions in the Unified Development Ordinance by making changes to the Town of Smithfield Unified Development Ordinance to allow for churches/places of worship and clubs or private lodges meeting halls within shopping centers providing additional supplemental standards can be met.

**WHEREAS**, it is the objective of the Smithfield Town Council to have the UDO promote regulatory efficiency and consistency and the health, safety, and general welfare of the community;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it ordained that the following Articles are amended to make the following changes set forth in the deletions (strikethroughs) and additions (double underlining) below:

**PART 1**

[Revise Article 7.32, to create supplemental standards for churches /places of worship and clubs or private lodge meeting halls.]

**SECTION 7.32 CHURCHES /PLACES OF WORSHIP AND CLUB OR PRIVATE LODGE MEETING HALLS.**

~~When located in the B-2 and B-3 zoning districts, churches/places of worship shall be the principal use on a single parcel of property. Churches/places of worship shall not be located in a major or minor shopping center.~~

**7.32.1** Churches/Places of Worship and Club or Private Lodge Meeting Halls shall have adequate parking meeting Article 10, Section 10.3.

**7.32.2** The land use will not significantly increase traffic on local roadways within a residential neighborhood.

**7.32.3** In B-2 and B-3 zoning districts, the land use will not substantially decrease vehicular and/or pedestrian traffic or inhibit business activity for adjacent commercial businesses particularly during normal business hours. The Town recognizes that businesses in these zoning districts need active adjacent business space to attract customers to B-2 and B-2 zoning districts. The town intends for planning policies to encourage business traffic in these zoning districts. If a special use, due to inactivity during business hours or otherwise, substantially decreases commercial traffic then that special use will not be in harmony with the existing development and uses with the area in which it is to be located.

**7.32.4** The land use will not impede the normal and orderly development of the surrounding property for uses permitted in the district. If a substantial portion of a commercial center is closed

or not attracting traffic during normal business hours then that absence of activity would likely impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of the surrounding property for uses permitted in the district.

**AND**, be it ordained that the following Articles are amended to make the following changes set forth in the deletions (strikethroughs) and additions (double underlining) below:

[Revise Article 6, Zoning Districts, Section 6.5 Table of Uses and Activities that reference the supplemental standards found in Section 7.32 to which clubs or private lodge meeting halls shall adhere to.]

Excerpt of Article 6, Zoning Districts, Section 6.5 Table of Uses and Activities to be amended as follows.

Uses	B-2	B-3	Supplemental Regulations
<del>Civic Club</del> or <del>Fraternal Private</del> Lodge meeting halls	<u>SS</u>	<u>SS</u>	Section 7.32

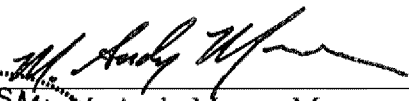
**PART 2**

That the Unified Development Ordinance shall be page numbered and revision dated as necessary to accommodate these changes.

**PART 3**

That these amendments of the Unified Development Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

Duly adopted this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2018.



M. Andy Moore, Mayor

ATTEST



Shannan L. Parrish, Town Clerk

