

TEXT AMENDMENT REQUEST APPLICATION

(1) Applicant Information:

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(2) **Name of Ordinance for Text Amendment:** Chatham County Zoning Ordinance

(3) **Text of Ordinance to be varied:**

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Existing Language:

11.3 Environmental Impact Assessment: An Environmental Impact Assessment, as described in Section 6.2 of the Subdivision Regulations and related guidelines, shall be required for any proposed non-residential project of two contiguous acres or more in extent that disturbs two or more acres. A project for which a detailed statement of the environmental impact of the project is required pursuant to NC GS §113A-4(2) or 42 U.S.C. §4332 (C), or for which a functionally equivalent permitting process is required by federal or state law, regulation or rule, is exempt from the requirement of this Section 11.3. However, a copy of any such statement of environmental impact for the project shall be provided to the county.

Requested Language Change:

11.3 Environmental Impact Assessment for Conditional Use Permits Only: An Environmental Impact Assessment, as described in Section 6.2 of the Subdivision Regulations and related guidelines, shall be required for any proposed conditional use permit that involves two contiguous acres or more in extent that disturbs two or more acres. A project for which a detailed statement of the environmental impact or the project is required pursuant to NC GS § 113A-4(2) or 42 U.S.C. §4332 (C), or for which a functionally equivalent permitting process is required by federal or state law, regulation or rule, is exempt from the requirement of this Section 11.3. However, a copy of any such statement of environmental impact for the project shall be provided to the county.

Existing Language:

10.3 Table of Permitted Uses: None

Requested Language Change:

10.3 Table of Permitted Uses: Add: Telecommunications Towers in districts as follows: IL as CU (conditional use) and IH as P (permitted).

- (4) **Reasons for the requested text amendment:** In the space below and on additional paper if needed, describe the reasons for the request and why you think it is justified.
RE: Section 11.3 Environmental Assessments – The Chatham County Board of Commissioners met with staff at their retreat meeting on February 8, 2011. During the discussions on ways to make processes easier for citizens seeking to open a business, the Board voted, at this time, to have the requirement for

these environmental assessments only apply to conditional use permit application requests and not general zonings.

RE: Section 10.3 Table of Permitted Uses: In a review with a potential cell tower submission representative, it was discovered by staff telecommunication towers had been left out of the amended 2008 zoning ordinance. This is to add the use back as described so we can receive applications for new telecommunication towers.

I hereby certify that I am making application for the above amendments and that the information provided is complete and the statements given are true to the best of my knowledge.



Signature
Authorized Agent

2/14/2011
Date

The following must be signed by the owner if person other than the owner is making this application.

I hereby certify that _____ is an authorized agent for said applicant and is permitted by me to file this application.

Signature

Date