



# Franklin County Communique to the Planning Board

## REQUEST FOR UDO AMENDMENTS 18-UDO-03

### STAFF ANALYSIS

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##### Staff Discussion

Upon review of recent projects and rapid growth in the County, staff identified deficiencies within the UDO. Staff is proposing that the following section be amended: Section 29-5-I: Turning Lanes to include State Roads. In order to maintain current level of service along roadways, staff is proposing that turning lanes be required in subdivisions of 80 lots or greater for all roadways while the current UDO only specifies NC and US routes. Current examples of roadways with significant travel and development demand include Cedar Creek, Hicks and Tarboro Roads. In conjunction with a required Traffic Impact Analysis, NCDOT has been requiring developers to install turning lanes to ensure public safety and to help reduce disruptions of traffic flow. This amendment will meet the intent of the UDO, Comprehensive Land Use Plan, and Transportation Plan while ensuring mobility and decreasing traffic incidents.

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#### **SECTION 29-5-I: Turning Lanes**

Turning Lanes. Any subdivision on US, ~~and~~ NC highways, and State roads that in subsequent phases will have over ~~100~~ 80 lots shall be required to provide turning lanes into the subdivision. The turning lanes must meet minimum N.C. Department of Transportation standards. ~~Subdivisions on state roads may require turning lanes at the discretion of the Planning Board.~~

### PLAN CONSISTENCY STATEMENT

Plan Consistency Statement: The proposed UDO text amendment is consistent with the Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Transportation Plan, and North Carolina General Statute requirements. It is reasonable and in the public interest. The amendment will address the need to ensure adequate level of service along US Highway, NC Highway, and State Road routes.

### PLANNING STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO THE PLANNING BOARD

Recommend approval of the requested UDO amendment as noted above.