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MEMORANDUM

To: Whom It May Concern
From: Kathy S. Holland 
Development Division Director
Subject: Fourth Amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance,
Effective June 24, 2015
Date: June 30, 2015

The Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners approved the fourth Amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) effective June 24, 2015.

Summary of Key Changes

Revision of Title 2, Section 230-100, Table of Permitted and Special Uses (Table 230.4), beekeeping as a permitted use is expanded. In addition to being allowed in the RA-200 zoning district it is also allowed in R-LL, R-100, R-75, OSC, R-60, MH, TND, R-SR, R-TH, RM-13, RM-24, HRR, O-R, MU-N, MU-C, and MU-R zoning districts with the following requirements:

1. Honey bees shall not be kept on lots containing less than ten thousand (10,000) square feet. No more than two colonies or hives, with only two swarms, shall be allowed per ten thousand (10,000) square feet.
2. Hives shall be marked or identified to notify visitors.
3. No hive shall exceed twenty (20) cubic feet in volume.
4. No hive shall be located closer than ten (10) feet from any property line.
5. No hive shall be located closer than fifty (50) feet from a public right-of-way or twenty-five (25) feet from the principal building on an abutting lot.
6. A constant supply of water shall be provided for all hives.
7. A flyway barrier at least six (6) feet in height shall shield any part of a property line that is within twenty-five (25) feet of a hive. The flyway barrier shall consist of a wall, fence, dense vegetation or a combination thereof.
8. Any colony or hive which becomes a nuisance as defined by state law must be removed.
9. Abandoned colonies or hives and diseased bees shall be removed (this shall not prohibit the use of swarm traps).

The amendment (UDO2015-00002) may be found on our website at:
www.gwinnettcountry.com/Departments/PlanningandDevelopment/UnifiedDevelopmentOrdinance

If you have any questions concerning your project please contact a Planner at 678.518.6000.