

Zoning Docket from November 3, 2014 P and D Meeting

Docket Number	Applicant	CC DIST.	STAFF REC.	GCPC REC.	P&D REC.	COUNCIL ACTION
CZ-2014-46	Greenville County Council Text Amendment to the Greenville County Zoning Ordinance to amend Table 6.1 and Article 4 to allow Data Centers		Approval	Approval	Approval	
Public Comments	<p>Some of the general comments made by Speakers at the Public Hearing on October 20, 2014 were:</p> <p><u>Speakers For:</u> None</p> <p><u>Speakers Against:</u> None</p>					<p>Petition/Letter</p> <p><u>For:</u> None</p> <p><u>Against:</u> None</p>
Staff Report	<p>The Greenville Area Development Corporation recently contacted staff to request that data centers be added as a use in the zoning ordinance. Data centers are growing in popularity and there is currently no provision for them in the zoning ordinance. As a result staff has worked with the GADC to draft a text amendment to add Data Centers to the table of uses in the zoning ordinance and allowing them as a use by right in the S-1, I-1, and I-2 zoning districts. Staff has researched Data Centers and has developed a draft ordinance for discussion.</p> <p>On September 15, 2014, the Planning and Development Committee approved the initiation of a public hearing on the proposed text amendment. The Public Hearing is set for October 20, 2014.</p> <p>Staff has recommended Data Centers be defined as “A large group of networked computer servers typically used by organizations for the remote storage, processing, or distribution of large amounts of data where the majority of the space is occupied by computers and/or related equipment and where information is processed, transferred, or stored.”</p> <p>Staff recommends Data Centers be allowed by right in the S-1, I-1, and I-2 districts, with Minimum Parking subject to the same requirements as Warehousing and Flex Space, i.e. a minimum of one space per 500 feet of leasable floor area for the first 3,000 feet, then 1 space per 2,500 square feet of leasable floor space thereafter.</p>					