

**TOWN OF DAVIDSON  
CONSISTENCY STATEMENT**

**SUMMARY OF PETITION**

These text amendments propose to implement the recommendations of the Rural Area Plan, adopted by the Board of Commissioners in September 2016. The amendments feature a range of measures intended to promote the town's interrelated values of open space preservation, connectivity, and walkable neighborhoods through a conservation-based development framework.

**CONSISTENCY STATEMENT**

In the opinion of the Board of Commissioners the Planning Ordinance, as amended and presented to this board for its review and approval, is consistent with: (a) the Davidson Comprehensive Plan, as adopted by the Board of Commissioners and amended from time to time; and, (b) all other officially adopted plans that are applicable to the Planning Ordinance.

The areas in which the recommended text changes to the Planning Ordinance are consistent with the Davidson Comprehensive Plan and all other officially adopted plans are as follows:

▪ **Consistency with the Davidson Comprehensive Plan:**

1. The proposed changes are consistent by providing decision makers with an accurate understanding of the plan's text components, thereby enabling sound decision-making concerning land use and all plan elements.
  - *The purpose of a comprehensive plan is to guide decision-makers on a wide range of issues, in particular for land use policy, conditional development review, long-term planning initiatives, and capital investment decisions (9).*
2. The proposed changes are consistent by working to protect and create meaningful open space.
  - *Livability Theme, Enable Faithful Stewardship of Natural & Historic Assets: The town has a strong reputation for open space preservation as part of the development process. Goal 1, Protect and Create Meaningful Open Space: Redefine open space requirements to prioritize preservation of sensitive habitats in development (59).*

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Adopted this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.

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Signature/Date  
John M. Woods  
Town of Davidson, Mayor