Recode York County Module One Draft Ready for Public Viewing

York County, SC - In late 2019, the York County Planning and Development Services Department began the process of revising the County's Zoning and Subdivision Codes. The County engaged with White & Smith, LLC, a planning and law consulting firm out of Charleston, SC, and initiated the "Recode York County" project. The consultant team has met with county staff, focus groups, the Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, and County Council, drafted an assessment diagnosing the state of the County Zoning and Subdivision codes, and provided an annotated outline of the reorganized code sections.

Now in the code drafting stages of the project, all revisions are organized into four topical "modules" that are more digestible to review. The draft of Module One is now ready for public review and comment. Module One covers all zoning districts and use regulations. The public is able to view the Module One draft and all other Recode documents on the project website at www.RecodeYorkCounty.org.

Additionally, the York County Planning and Development Services Department will host a public Zoom webinar on Tuesday, May 25, at 6:00 PM. During the webinar, the consultant team will present the proposed changes in Module One, take comments, and answer questions. Zoom information for this webinar can be found on the homepage of the County's website at www.yorkcountygov.com.

The goals of the Recode York County project are to modernize the Codes, incorporate current best practices, utilize improved organization and graphics to make them more user-friendly, improve consistency, ensure predictable development outcomes, retain appropriate flexibility, and eliminate common barriers to desired development. The public will continue to have opportunities throughout the life of the project to provide input into the code rewrite, including reviewing and commenting on draft regulations. For more information and project updates, please visit www.RecodeYorkCounty.org.