## TOWN OF CARRBORO

# LAND USE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT REQUEST



To the Board of Aldermen, the Planning Board, and the Appearance Commission, as appropriate, of the Town of Carrboro:

I (we), the undersigned do hereby respectfully make application and petition the Board of Aldermen to amend the Land Use Ordinance. In support of this application, the following facts are shown:

The Land Use Ordinance, at present, would allow (description/quote, page 1) and number of section in question):

Permissible Use - See Attachment A

The proposed amendment to the Land Use Ordinance would allow (describe 2) briefly intended change):

See Attached

3)	State	the r	easons	for	the	proposed	amendment:
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#### Attachment A

## LAND USE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT REQUEST

#### Permissible Use

1) The Land Use Ordinance, at present, would allow (description/quote, page and number of section in question):

Article X, Section 15-146, Multi-Family Apartments 1.331 Maximum 20% > 3 bedrms/du is currently not an allowable use in the B-4 zoning district.

2) The proposed amendment to the Land Use Ordinance would allow (describe briefly intended change):

Designate Multi-Family Apartments 1.331 as an allowable use within the B-4 zoning district by adding a "C" in the B-4 column, thereby requiring a Conditional Use Permit.

3) State the reasons for the proposed amendment:

The proposed amendment allows the incorporation of rental multi-family housing into the B-4 zoning district, as allowed within most other business zoning districts, specifically in the form of apartments where no more than 20 percent of the units can be greater than three bedrooms (versus the "no bedroom limit" option).

If deemed desirable, the mixed-use ratio standards incorporated into the B-1(g) zoning district for mixed-use projects could be similarly used for B-4 zoning district mixed-use projects, with a base residential density of R-3.

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Building Height - See Attachment A

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## **Building Height**

1) The Land Use Ordinance, at present, would allow (description/quote, page and number of section in question):

Article XII, Section 15-187 (a)

In any architecturally integrated subdivision, the developer may create lots and construct buildings without regard to any minimum lot size or setback restrictions except that:

- (1) Lot boundary setback requirements shall apply where and to the extent that the subdivided tract abuts land that is not part of the subdivision; and
- (2) Each lot shall be of sufficient size and dimensions that it can support the structure proposed to be located on it, consistent with all other applicable requirements of this chapter.
- 2) The proposed amendment to the Land Use Ordinance would allow (describe briefly intended change):

Article XII, Section 15-187 (a)

In any architecturally integrated subdivision, the developer may create lots and construct buildings without regard to any minimum lot size or minimum setback restrictions, or maximum building height except that:

- (1) Lot boundary setback requirements shall apply where and to the extent that the subdivided tract abuts land that is not part of the subdivision; and
- (2) Each lot shall be of sufficient size and dimensions that it can support the structure proposed to be located on it, consistent with all other applicable requirements of this chapter.
- 3) State the reasons for the proposed amendment:

Since the intent of the Architecturally Integrated Subdivision option is to allow reviewable design flexibility in order to maximize open space preservation, among the dimensional attributes subject to that flexible approach and design review should be the vertical height of the proposed building envelope, not just the horizontal envelope, in order to maximize open space preservation opportunities

Specifically for Lloyd Farm, the design review process afforded by adding building height to the horizontal design elements within the Architectural Integrated Subdivision approach is a more appropriate means to evaluate building heights (both overall and at specific locations) than the standard building height method based on mean average grade. Additionally, only then can building height envelopes be considered in relationship to Lloyd Farm's internal streets, sidewalks, and other public places, plus any external viewsheds, where visual setbacks are much greater. In particular this flexible design review approach will be useful to meaningfully evaluate Lloyd Farm's apartment building that is designed to step up the existing site's slope.

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Street Design - See Attachment A

2) The proposed amendment to the Land Use Ordinance would allow (describe briefly intended change):

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#### Street Design

1) The Land Use Ordinance, at present, would allow (description/quote, page and number of section in question):

Article XIV (Streets and Sidewalks) contains definitions for various classifications of public streets that are based upon their level of traffic count volume. Article XIV then refers to minimum design components (street width, radius of curves, etc.) contained in Appendix C that would result in a street design speed that would not be appropriate for the level of traffic calming desired for an internal local access road.

2) The proposed amendment to the Land Use Ordinance would allow (describe briefly intended change):

Add Section 15-227 "Flexibility in Administration Authorized" to Article XIV (Streets and Sidewalks) to allow the permit issuing authority to be able to lower design speeds and therefore vary the minimum design requirements for internal streets associated with a Conditional Use Permit project.

3) State the reasons for the proposed amendment:

Without this proposed amendment to Article XIV (Streets and Sidewalks), the permit issuing authority has no means to lower street design speeds below those that are by ordinance associated with a street classification system based solely on traffic counts. Higher minimum design speeds result in streets internal to the project that can be driven faster than might be desirable for traffic calming and pedestrian safety purposes due to increased widths and larger centerline curve radii.