



## Legislation Text

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### **TITLE:**

Public Hearing on Land Use Ordinance Amendments Relating to Performing Arts Space

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this item is for the Board of Aldermen to consider text amendments to the Land Use Ordinance that would create a new use classification and associated permit and development requirements. The Board of Aldermen must receive public input before reaching a decision on the draft ordinance.

**DEPARTMENT:** Planning

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**INFORMATION:** Visitor guides have long touted the Triangle Region for its performing arts scene with a variety of spaces of different sizes and locations to support different types of music. The Carrboro Board of Aldermen and community have likewise expressed an ongoing interest in supporting the continued and expanded vitality of the performing arts, as well as preserving the character of the Town's historic fabric. A draft ordinance has been prepared that, if approved, would establish a new "performing arts space" use, with permit requirements and development standards. The new use could be allowed with either a zoning permit or a conditional use permit in an existing historic building within certain commercial districts in the downtown such as the B-1(g), B-1(c), and M-1 zoning districts, depending on the distance of the building containing the performance space from existing residential uses.

The draft ordinance was referred to Orange County and presented to the joint advisory board meeting on November 1<sup>st</sup> and the Economic Sustainability Commission on November 14<sup>th</sup>. Comments are provided (Attachment C).

**FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT:** Public hearings involve staff and public notice costs associated with advisory board and Board of Aldermen review.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen consider the attached resolution finding consistency, (Attachment A) and the draft ordinance to the Land Use Ordinance (Attachment B).