



# Lake County Illinois

## Legislation Text

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Committee action item directing the Lake County Zoning Board of Appeals to conduct a public hearing to consider proposed text amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance of Lake County, Illinois (Chapter 151 of the Lake County, Illinois Code of Ordinances) incorporating amendments to the Watershed Development Ordinance.

- The Stormwater Management Commission (SMC) has evaluated updated rainfall frequency data and has drafted corresponding amendments to the Watershed Development Ordinance (WDO). SMC's draft also includes other miscellaneous amendments.
- In order to remain a SMC "Certified Community" in good standing, Lake County shall incorporate the WDO amendments, upon their adoption, into the Lake County Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) within 90 days.
- On March 13, 2001, the Lake County Board authorized the Planning, Building and Zoning Committee (PB&Z) to forward any future proposed UDO text amendments relating to WDO revisions directly to the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) and to direct the ZBA to conduct a public hearing to consider such amendments. This Committee authority extends to the current Public Works, Planning and Transportation Committee.
- To minimize delay in considering corresponding UDO text amendments for unincorporated Lake County upon completion of the WDO amendment process, the attached Committee action directs the Zoning Board of Appeals to conduct a public hearing on such amendments at that time.

### **COMMITTEE ACTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Lake County Board adopted the Watershed Development Ordinance (WDO) on October 13, 1992; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lake County Board adopted the Unified Development Ordinance of Lake County, Illinois (Chapter 151 of the Lake County, Illinois Code of Ordinances) (UDO) on April 11, 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, Lake County is a Stormwater Management Commission (SMC) "Certified Community;" and

**WHEREAS**, Lake County is a member of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP); and

**WHEREAS**, Lake County participates in the FEMA NFIP Community Rating System (CRS) as a Class 6 Community; and

**WHEREAS**, order to maintain its status as a “Certified Community” and to remain in “good standing” in the FEMA NFIP and participate as a Class 6 CRS community, the County must periodically amend the UDO to reflect the revisions made to the WDO and to the regulations of the FEMA NFIP; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 13, 2020 this County Board will adopt a Resolution amending the WDO; and

**WHEREAS**, the County must incorporate these revisions into the UDO within a limited timeframe; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2001, the Lake County Board authorized the Planning, Building and Zoning Committee (PB&Z) to forward any future proposed UDO text amendments relating to WDO revisions directly to the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) and to direct the ZBA to conduct a public hearing to consider such amendments; and

**WHEREAS**, such Committee authority extends to the current Public Works, Planning and Transportation (PWPT) Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning, Building and Development Department will draft proposed amendments to the text of the UDO based upon WDO amendments upon their adoption and will submit such proposed amendments to the Zoning Board of Appeals for hearing to amend the text of the UDO; and

**WHEREAS**, the state law requires that the Zoning Board of Appeals hold a public hearing to amend the text of the UDO; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT DETERMINED** by the PWPT Committee that the ZBA is hereby directed to conduct a public hearing to consider such amendments upon their receipt and such other amendments that are directly related thereto; and

**BE IT FURTHER DETERMINED** that the Secretary of the Zoning Board of Appeals is hereby directed to notify the Zoning Board of Appeals of this action and keep a record of this Committee action.

**DATED** at Waukegan, Lake County, Illinois, on October 7, 2020.