

ORDINANCE 546

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF ABITA SPRINGS TO EXTEND THE MORATORIUM ON THE ZONING OF ANY LANDS AS PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT; TO ESTABLISH A TIME PERIOD FOR SUCH MORATORIUM, AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS.

WHEREAS the Town of Abita Springs has availed itself of the provisions of R.S. 9:4722 which allow municipalities to create zoning districts; and,

WHEREAS pursuant to that authority, the Town of Abita Springs has created the zoning classification of a Planned Unit Development (PUD); and,

WHEREAS the Town of Abita Springs engaged Dover, Kohl & Partners, a town planning firm, to develop a Comprehensive Land Use Plan and prepare development standards to guide future growth in the Town, which was adopted by the Planning Commission on March 28, 2024; and,

WHEREAS additionally, the Town has engaged and received commissioned reports from the Town Engineer concluding that the Town's Wastewater Treatment System is lacking in capacity to accommodate new substantial development projects at this time; and,

WHEREAS a joint meeting of the Town's Board of Aldermen and the Planning Commission resulted in an expression of the opinion that the Board should consider a repeal of the "PUD" ordinance; and,

WHEREAS the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen desire that no large tracts of land be reclassified as a PUD and that the Town conduct a thorough considerate review to either repeal or amend the "PUD" ordinance; and,

WHEREAS the Planning Commission has favorably recommended adoption of an ordinance by the Town's Board of Alderman to extend the moratorium on any new Planned Unit Developments; and,

WHEREAS it is therefore necessary to affect a temporary moratorium on the classification of additional lands in the corporate limits of Abita Springs as Planned Unit Development.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town of Abita Springs that there is hereby established an extension of the existing moratorium (Ordinance #543) involving the reclassification of any land situated in the municipal corporate limits of the Town of Abita Springs as a Planned Unit Development Zoning District.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this moratorium shall remain in effect and no land shall be reclassified as PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT for six months from the effective date of this ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall be posted on the Town website and remain so until the moratorium's expiration.

Introduced by Alderman Member Patterson, seconded by Alderman Member Templet on the 7th day of May 2024. Adopted on motion of Alderman Member Saussy and seconded by Alderman Member Contois on the 21st day of May 2024.

This ordinance becomes effective upon signature of the mayor.

Vote was:

YEAS: 4, Aldermen Boudreaux, Contois, Saussy, and Templet

NAYS: 0

53 ABSENT: 1, Alderman Patterson

54 ABSTAIN: 0

ATTEST

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Honorable Dani<mark>e</mark>l J. Curtis, Mayor