

## ARTICLE I

### INTRODUCTORY PROVISIONS

#### Section 101. Authority and Enactment

In pursuance of the authority granted by the General Statutes of North Carolina, Chapter 160A, Article 19, Part 3, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF LITTLETON as follows:

#### Section 102. Title

This ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Littleton, North Carolina, and may be referred to as the Zoning Ordinance.

#### Section 103. Purpose

For the purpose of promoting the health, safety, morals and general welfare, this ordinance is adopted by the governing body to regulate and restrict the height, number of stories and size of buildings and other structures, the percentage of lots that may be occupied, the size of yards, courts and other open spaces, the density of population, and the location and use of buildings, structures and land for trade, industry, residence or other purposes.

The zoning regulations in this ordinance are in accordance with a comprehensive plan and are designed to lessen congestion in the streets; to secure safety from fire, panic and other dangers; to promote health and the general welfare; to provide adequate light and air; to prevent the overcrowding of land; to avoid undue concentration of population; and to facilitate the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, schools, parks and other public requirements. The regulations have been made with reasonable consideration, among other things, as to the character of the jurisdiction and its areas and their peculiar suitability for particular uses, and with a view to conserving the value of buildings and encouraging the most appropriate use of land throughout the jurisdiction.

#### Section 104. Jurisdiction

The area to which this ordinance applies is shown on the official zoning map.