

COMMISSIONERS OF OXFORD

Ordinance No. 1401

Introduced by: _____

Date: _____

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Introduced, read first time, ordered posted, and public hearing scheduled on _____, 2014 at _____ p.m. at the Oxford Town Meeting Room, Market Street, Oxford, Maryland 21654.

By Order _____
Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance Number 1401 of the Town of Oxford was duly read, advertised, and enacted in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Charter of the Town of Oxford on this _____ day of _____, 2014.

Attest: _____
Cheryl Lewis, Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Oxford

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WHEREAS, in accordance with Md. Code Ann. Natural Resources Article § 8-1801, et seq., the Town of Oxford is authorized to adopt a Critical Area program, including a map establishing the boundaries of the critical area and its classifications within the corporate limits of the Town; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Md. Code Ann. Land Use Article § 4-101, the Commissions of Oxford have the authority to adopt reasonable zoning regulations, including a zoning map for lands lying within the corporate limits of the Town; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance 1212, adopted November 13, 2012, the Commissioners of Oxford adopted a New Official Zoning Map for the Town of Oxford, including critical area land use classifications; and

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2013, the State of Maryland Critical Area Commission approved the updated critical area land use classifications and boundaries as established on the Zoning Map, subject to the requirement that the Town update its map to incorporate the latest shoreline mapping in conjunction with the Critical Area Commission’s state-wide mapping initiative in accordance with COMAR 27.01.11; and

WHEREAS, upon approval of the Town’s Zoning Map, the Town transferred to the Critical Area Commission all of its mapping layers and information that were part of its comprehensive review; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with COMAR 27.01.11, the Critical Area Commission has prepared and submitted to the Town an updated critical area map titled “Summary Draft Map: Town of Oxford Critical Area”, dated March 28, 2013 (“Summary Draft Map”), which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and incorporated herein, which identifies the shoreline and landward boundary of tidal wetlands using recent aerial imagery to ensure that the 1,000 foot Critical Area boundary is accurate to a scale of 1 inch equals 100 feet; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with COMAR 27.01.11.06, the Commissioners of Oxford have reviewed the Summary Draft Map, provided public notice of its review and held a public hearing on the same; and

WHEREAS, the Town's planning consultant, Peter Johnston has reviewed the Summary Draft Map and has proposed a revised Critical Area Boundary on the Official Zoning Map to make the boundary consistent with the boundary established on the Summary Draft Map as required by COMAR 27.01.11; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Oxford have determined that it is desirable and in the public interest to adopt the Summary Draft Map to establish the Town's Critical Area boundary, and to amend the Official Zoning Map to incorporate the revised Critical Area Boundary as established on the Critical Area Summary Draft Map.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF OXFORD AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: The Summary Draft Map attached hereto as "Exhibit A" is hereby adopted for the purpose of identifying and establishing the shoreline and landward boundary of tidal wetlands and the Oxford Critical Area boundary.

Section 2: The Oxford Zoning Map is hereby amended to incorporate the Critical Area mapping and boundaries as set forth on the Summary Draft Map. The Oxford Zoning Map, prepared by Peter Johnston and Associates, LLC, dated January 28, 2014, which is attached hereto as "Exhibit B" and incorporated herein, is hereby adopted as the official Oxford Zoning Map.

Section 3: The attached Oxford Zoning Map and the Summary Draft Map shall be submitted to the Critical Area Commission for final approval in accordance with COMAR 27.01.11.06.

Section 4: In case any one or more portions of the Oxford Zoning Map shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other portion hereof; and the Zoning Map shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

Section 5: This ordinance, and the rules, regulations, provisions, requirements orders and matters established and adopted hereby shall take effect and be in full force and effect twenty (20) days from the date of its final passage and adoption, and upon obtaining any necessary approvals by the Critical Area Commission.

ENACTED this _____ day of _____, 2014.

COMMISSIONERS OF OXFORD:

Carol Abruzzese, President

Gordon Graves, Commissioner

Gordon Fronk, Commissioner

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance Number 1401 of the Town of Oxford was duly read, advertised, and enacted with the applicable provisions of the Charter of the Town of Oxford on this _____ day of ____, 2014.

ATTEST:

Cheryl Lewis
Clerk-Treasurer

CRITICAL AREA SUMMARY DRAFT MAP
FOR TOWN OF OXFORD*

*Available for inspection and review at the Town Office

Exhibit A

OFFICIAL ZONING MAP

OXFORD, MARYLAND

ZONING DISTRICTS

- R-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
- R-1-C CLUSTER
- R-2 HISTORIC RESIDENTIAL
- R-3 MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
- RR RURAL RESIDENTIAL
- C-1 NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL
- C-2 GENERAL COMMERCIAL
- C-3 MARITIME COMMERCIAL
- C-4 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL
- M MARITIME INDUSTRIAL
- CIP COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL
- EGS ESSENTIAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES
- WS/WC WILDLIFE SANCTUARY/
WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

CRITICAL AREA LAND USE CLASSIFICATION

- IDA - INTENSELY DEVELOPED AREA
- LDA - LIMITED DEVELOPMENT AREA
- RCA - RESOURCE CONSERVATION AREA
- BMA - BUFFER MANAGEMENT AREA

BOUNDARY LINES

- CORPORATE BOUNDARY
- HISTORIC DISTRICT
- CRITICAL AREA BUFFER*
*FIELD DELINEATION REQUIRED

PUBLICLY-OWNED LAND

- TOWN PROPERTY
- FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
- TOWN OWNED RIGHT OF WAY

ILLUSTRATED CHANGE

- Current Critical Area Boundary
- New Critical Area Boundary
- New Critical Area Coverage

