ORDINANCE NO. 2022 – 20

TOWN OF BLUFFTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE ADOPTION OF AN UPDATED 2022 TOWN OF BLUFFTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN KNOWN AS "BLUEPRINT BLUFFTON" PURSUANT TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ENABLING ACT OF 1994, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 6-29-520 (B) of the South Carolina Code of Ordinances 1976, as amended, the South Carolina Local Government Comprehensive Planning Enabling Act of 1994 ("Act") requires an update to the Town of Bluffton Comprehensive Plan and all required elements every ten years; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive plan is a long-range policy document to guide the Town's future development, decision-making and allocation of resources relative to ten required elements as required by the Act including Population, Economic Development, Natural Resources, Cultural Resources, Community Facilities, Housing, Land Use, Transportation, Priority Investment, and Resiliency; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Bluffton Town Council adopted a comprehensive plan for the Town of Bluffton on September 4, 2007, followed by an update on December 9, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a Steering Committee was convened by Town Council to guide the 2022 Town of Bluffton Comprehensive Plan update known as "*Blueprint Bluffton*," stakeholder groups were formed to share knowledge and perspectives, and community input was solicited through meetings and surveys to inform plan priorities; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Bluffton Planning Commission, the duly authorized body to prepare a comprehensive plan that conforms to the Act, was appointed by Town Council to carry out a continuing planning program for the physical, social, and economic growth, development, and redevelopment of the Town of Bluffton; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Bluffton Planning Commission held two meetings and six public workshops to discuss *Blueprint Bluffton* and individual elements on June 22, July 13, July 20, July 21, August 2, August 4, and August 10, 2022; and

WHEREAS, after publication of public notice in the *Island Packet* on August 21, 2022, and in accordance with Town of Bluffton Unified Development Ordinance Section 2.2.6.C.3., the Town of Bluffton Planning Commission held a public meeting on September 28, 2022, and approved a resolution, attached hereto as Exhibit A, to recommend approval of *Blueprint Bluffton*; and

WHEREAS, Town of Bluffton Town Council held and approved a first reading of this ordinance on October 11, 2022; and

WHEREAS, after publication of public notice in the *Island Packet* on October 2, 2022, in accordance with Section 6-29-530 of the Act, the Town of Bluffton Town Council approved *Blueprint Bluffton*, including all text, maps, graphics and appendices, attached hereto as Exhibit B;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLUFFTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, the 2022 Town of Bluffton Comprehensive Plan (*Blueprint Bluffton*), is adopted in its entirety, including all text, maps, graphics, and appendices, under the authority of the South Carolina Local Government Comprehensive Planning Enabling Act of 1994, as amended, and in accordance with Section 6-29-530 of the Act.

THIS ENTIRE ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE FULL FORCE AND EFFECT UPON ADOPTION.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ENACTED this 8th day of November, 2022.

This Ordinance was read and passed at first reading on this 11th day of October, 2022.

Marcia Hunter, Town Clerk Town of Bluffton, South Carolina

A public hearing was held on this Ordinance on this 8th day of November, 2022.

Larry Toomer, Mayor Town of Bluffton, South Carolina

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Marcia Hunter, Town Clerk Town of Bluffton, South Carolina

This Ordinance was passed at second reading on this 8th day of November, 2022.

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