

OCONEE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

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AGENDA

5:00 pm, Monday March 6, 2023

Council Chambers - Oconee County 415 S Pine St, Walhalla SC 29691

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of minutes from February 23, 2023
5. Public Comment for Non-Agenda Items (4 minutes per person)
6. Commission Member Comments
7. Staff Comments
8. Discussion regarding final draft of Commercial Junkyard Ordinance
 - a. Public Comment
 - b. Discussion/ vote
9. Discussion regarding 2023 Planning Commission Goals
10. Adjourn

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Minutes

5:00 pm- Thursday, February 23, 2023

Council Chambers - Oconee County Administrative Complex

Members

Gary Gaulin
Frankie Pearson
Mike Johnson

Teresa Spicer
David Nix
Pat Williams – Absent

Staff Present

James Coley, Planning Director
Elise Dunaway, Assistant to Planning & Codes
David Root, County Attorney

Media

Lauren Pierce, The Journal

1. Call to order – Mr. Pearson called meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Mr. Pearson moved to swap item 8 and 9 on the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Gaulin. Approved 5/0
2. Invocation was led by Mr. Root.
3. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Coley.
4. Approval of minutes from January 5, 2023 – Mr. Gaulin moved to approve the minutes; seconded by Mr. Nix. Approved unanimously 5/0
5. Public comment (non-agenda items):
None
6. Commission member comments:
Mrs. Spicer gave an update on Comp Plan achievements; including completion of 7.3.1.2, 4.1.1.6, 11.1.6.4.
7. Staff comments:
Mr. Coley presented the yearly review to the members. He also reviewed the student housing development on Shiloh Rd. Discussion followed
8. Discussion regarding amending Chapter 32 of the Oconee County Code of Ordinances by adding a provision proving for preapproval by South Caroling Department of Transportation – guest speaker Joel Smith, SCDOT
 - a. Public Comment was held until after the presentation by Mr. Smith

b. Discussion / Vote:

Mr. Smith gave an overview of how South Carolina Department of Transportation and Oconee County work together and what is looked at from an access to a state road perspective. Discussion Followed.

Mr. Gaulin made a Motion to direct the Planning Director and County Attorney to work with SCDOT to come up with language for an ordinance revision to apply to all state roads for SCODT approval and process. Seconded by Mr. Johnson, discussion followed Motion Approved unanimously 5/0

Mr. Tom Markovich expresses his concern with some of the wording of the adopted Ordinances 32-222,a.10 (preliminary plan and supporting data submittal requirements).

9. Discussion regarding draft Junkyard ordinance revisions with County Attorney

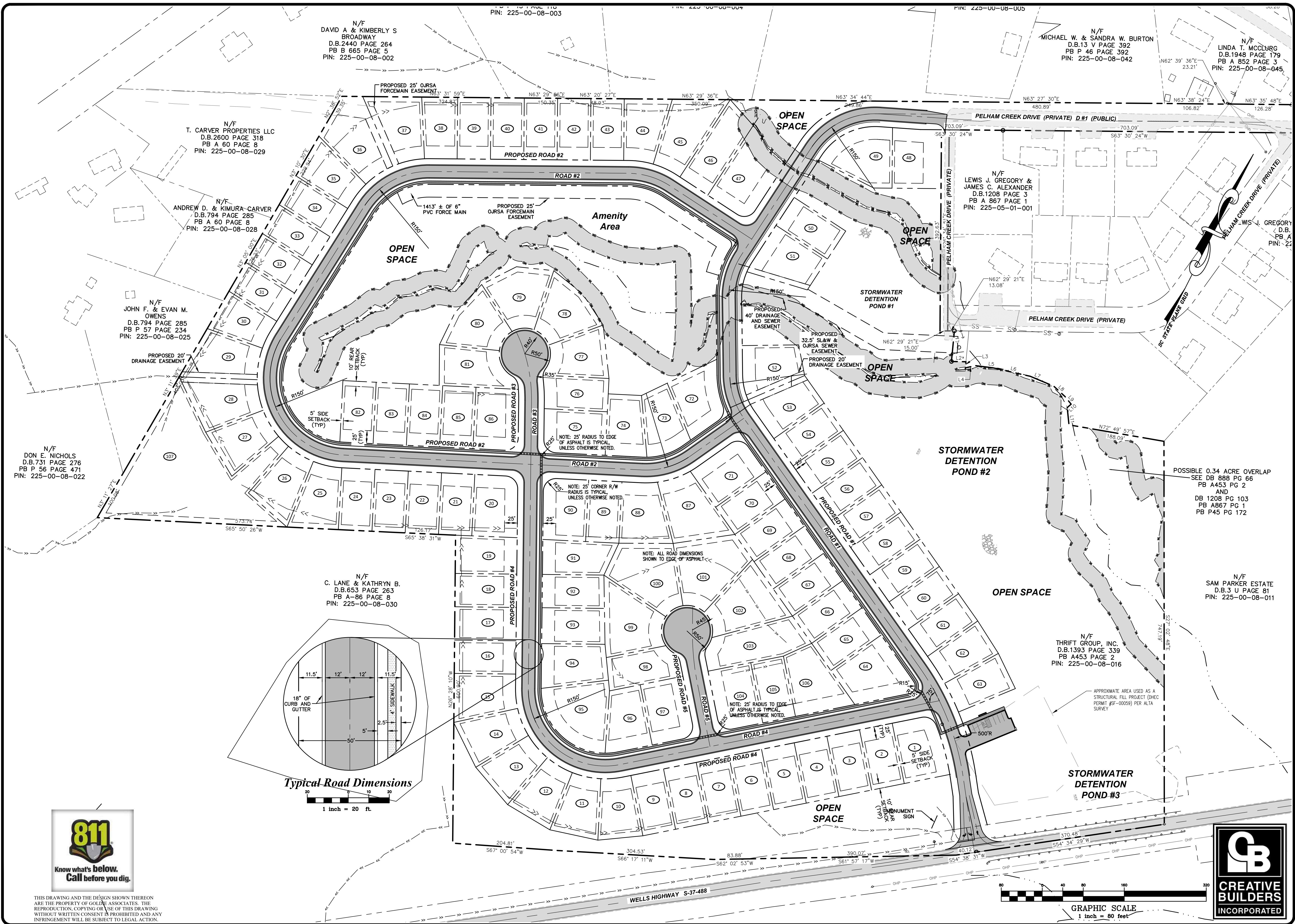
Mr. Root reviewed the redline draft of the Junkyard ordinance

Mr. Gaulin moved to strike the definition of re-inspection fee. Seconded by Mr. Nix. Approved 5/0.

Mr. Nix moved that Mr. Root add verbiage to the ordinance to give citizens relief for stacking cars. Seconded by Mr. Pearson. Approved 4/1.

Mr. Nix moved to strike section with the exception of a clause that includes an expansion clause of change of ownership clause that would trigger compliance with Section 4. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. Approved 3/2.

10. Adjourn – The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:15 PM.



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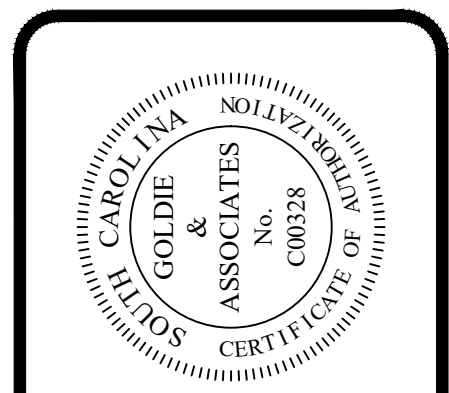
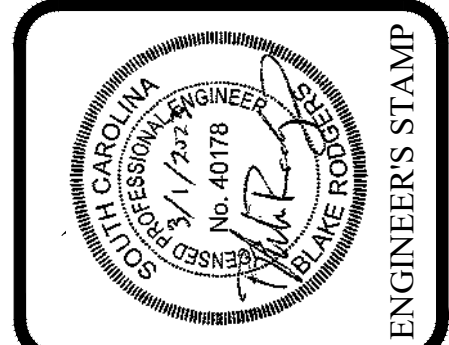
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CHAPTER 32

ARTICLE X. - COMMERCIAL JUNKYARDS

Sec. 32-751. - Findings.

The County finds that Commercial junkyards:

- a) Provide a necessary service to County residents; and
- b) Contribute to the economy and tax base of the County; yet
- c) Pose a potential hazard to the health, safety, and general welfare of the citizens of the County;
- d) Can depreciate the value of surrounding property;
- e) Can attract and harbor mosquitoes or other insects, snakes, rats, and other pests and vermin;
- f) Pose a potential threat of injury to children and other individuals who may be attracted to the premises; and
- g) Can be a visual blight and depreciative to the aesthetic quality of the environment of the County.

Sec. 32-752. - Purpose.

- a) The purpose of this Article is to provide for the regulation of existing and proposed Commercial junkyards under the Unified Performance Standards contained in Chapter 32 of the Oconee County Code of Ordinances.
- b) S.C. Code Sections 4-9-25 and 4-9-30 give Oconee County the authority to enact regulations, resolutions, and ordinances relating to health and order within its boundaries and respecting any subject as appears to it necessary and proper for the security, general welfare, and convenience of the County or for preserving health, peace, order, and good government therein. In order to accomplish these purposes, the County Council enacts these regulations with respect to Commercial junkyards.
- c) It shall be unlawful for any person, corporation or other business entity to maintain a Commercial junkyard except pursuant to the provisions of this Article.

Sec. 32-573. - Definitions.

As used in this Article, the following terms shall have the meanings given below:

Commercial junkyard shall mean any land or area used, in whole or in part, as a business for storing, handling, or selling Junk. This definition does not include facilities which are an essential part of wrecker, towing, or impoundment services, or County-operated or approved and permitted sanitary landfills. Further excluded from this Article are temporary business operations such as garage or yard sales, which are related to a specific event of a limited time and limited duration.

Fence shall mean a substantial, continuous barrier constructed in a commercially appropriate and sound manner, and extending from the surface of the ground to a uniform height of not less than six feet. The finished side of the *Fence* shall face the public and be constructed of treated

lumber, stockade, masonry, chain link or other approved material. Fabric *Fences* shall be not allowed.

Junk shall mean, by way of example and not limitation: abandoned barrels or drums; dismantled or inoperable industrial or commercial equipment or machinery being salvaged for parts; and the following old, scrap, or used items: metal; rope; rags; batteries; paper; cardboard; plastic; rubber; pallets; appliances; motors; industrial or commercial fixtures; rubbish and trash; debris; wrecked, dismantled, or disabled motor vehicles, watercraft, and aircraft, or parts thereof; and other old or scrap ferrous or nonferrous material.

Major local street shall mean a street that is designed and serves primarily to access abutting residential and commercial properties and other streets or roadways. *Major local streets* are further characterized as having two or more access points and receiving traffic from *Minor local streets* and other *Major local streets*.

Minor local street shall mean a street that is designed and serves primarily to access abutting residential properties. *Minor local streets* typically terminate in a cul-de-sac, loop, or other turnaround, and contain no more than two access points.

~~*Noneconforming* shall mean signs, structures, uses of land and characteristics of uses that are prohibited under the terms of this article, but which were lawful on the date of this article's enactment.~~

Public building shall mean any building owned, leased, held, or operated by the United States, the state, the County, a city, a special purpose district, or any local, state, or federal governmental agency or political subdivision, which building is used for a governmental or other public purpose.

Right-of-way shall denote the limits of public and private roads, including the full property interest or easement area thereof. On County roads, when there is no deeded *Right-of-way* or similar instrument governing road access and use, the *Right-of-way* shall include all portions of the road used for travel, maintenance, and support, and including all accessory structures and features.

Scenic highway/scenic byway shall mean a road or highway under federal, state, or County jurisdiction that has been so designated through legislation, ordinance, or other official declaration because of its scenic, historic, recreational, cultural, archeological, or natural qualities. An official declaration is an action taken by an individual, board, committee, or political subdivision acting with the granted authority on behalf of the federal, state or County government.

Setback shall refer to the required minimum distance, as established in this Article, between a *Fence* and the nearest property line, *Right-of-way*, body of water, *Scenic highway/scenic byway*, or heritage corridor.

Temporary storage service shall be defined as not exceeding 90 days from the date possession or custody of the vehicle is obtained, except when possession is pursuant to a court order.

Wrecker, towing and impoundment service shall mean an establishment or place of business that provides towing or *Temporary storage services* for currently licensed and currently registered vehicles that have been wrecked or repossessed, or whose possession is by virtue of court order, a copy of which is in the possession of the proprietor of such service or affixed to the vehicle.

Sec. 32-754. - Regulation of Commercial Junkyards.

- a) Every *Commercial junkyard* must be enclosed on all sides by a *Fence* that is not less than six feet in height. Commercially reasonable efforts, made in good faith and appropriate to the nature of the operation as carried out in a customary and safe manner, must be employed so that the *Fence*, along with adjacent vegetation (either existing or planted for these purposes), conceals the view of all *Junk* from public roads and private property. Further, the *Fence* shall be constructed and maintained so that the *Commercial junkyard* is protected from access by children or other trespassers.
- b) Each *Commercial junkyard Fence* shall be *Setback* as follows:
 - (1) Subject to the provisions of S.C. Code Section 57-27-10, et seq. (the South Carolina “Junkyard Control Act”), two hundred and fifty feet from all *Rights-of-way* held by the federal or state government, including any agency thereof.
 - (2) One hundred and twenty-five feet from the *Rights-of-way* of all County roads.
 - (3) One hundred feet from all property lines.
 - (4) One hundred feet from the ordinary high-water mark of all bodies of water, including, by way of example and not limitation, lakes, bays, ponds, rivers, streams, creeks, and reservoirs.
 - (5) One thousand feet from all designated *Scenic highways*.
 - (6) One thousand feet from any federally designated heritage corridor.

If more than one *Setback* requirement applies, the greater distance shall be enforced.

- c) No *Commercial junkyard* shall be located within 1,000 feet of a church, school, daycare center, nursing home, health care facility, hospital, *Public building*, or public recreation facility.
- d) *Commercial junkyards* shall be located only on *Major local streets*. Locating a *Commercial junkyard* on a *Minor local street* is prohibited.
- e) All *Junk* shall be stored within the *Fenced* area of the *Commercial junkyard*. The *Setback* area, being the area between the required *Fence* and the roadway, waterway, property line, etc., shall be maintained in a clean manner and shall not be used for storing, loading, or unloading *Junk*.
- f) Each *Commercial junkyard* shall apply to the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) for an appropriate National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit, unless the applicant can show that an NPDES permit is not required by DHEC for the subject *Commercial junkyard*. The NPDES permit must be appropriately maintained during the course of operations.
- g) Each *Commercial junkyard* shall comply with all applicable chapters of the International Fire Code with South Carolina modifications, along with all applicable statutory and regulatory laws addressing the handling, storage, and disposal of hazardous waste, along with any applicable manufacturer’s instructions and industry standards.

Sec. 32-755. - Existing nonconforming Commercial Junkyards in existence prior to the enactment of these Commercial Junkyard regulations.

- (a) Any *Commercial junkyard* that can provide documentary proof of ongoing operations occurring prior to the date this Article is enacted shall be exempt from the requirements of this Article as a “*Nonconforming Commercial junkyard*,” unless one of the following conditions arise:
1. Operations are abandoned for a period of twelve (12) months or more.
 2. The storage or handling area reserved for *Junk* is expanded by ___ %.
 3. Operations are altered such that excessive light, noise, dust, or other negative impacts on neighboring uses arise from the altered operations.
 4. *There is a change in ownership.*
 5. *Safety violations.*
- (b) Once a *Nonconforming Commercial junkyard* loses its grandfathered status as a result of a condition noted in Section 32-755(a), then it must comply with the terms of this Article and the following provisions from Section 32-754 shall apply:
- 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.

Additionally, the following requirements shall be imposed:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Sec. 32-756. - Provisions for administration.

- (a) No person shall maintain a *Commercial junkyard* except and unless the owner or operator has an approved *Commercial junkyard* Application from the County Planning Department.
1. A *Commercial junkyard* Application shall consist of:
 - i. An initial site plan showing all required items from Sec. 32-754 (a-e).
 - ii. All necessary permits from governing federal, state, or local authorities.
 - iii. A certificate of compliance [what is intent here?] prior to starting operations.
- (b) Fees for required permits shall be established and published by the County Council.
- (c) The enforcement of this Article shall be the responsibility of the County Planning Director or their designee.
- (d) Any applicant or other affected party shall have the right to appeal a decision of the Planning Director to the County Planning Commission.
- (e) Penalties for noncompliance. Any violation of this Article shall be a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, is punishable to full extent of the jurisdictional limits of magistrate courts

located in the County. Additionally, or alternatively, the County may pursue civil litigation to compel compliance, including the pursuit of injunctive relief, damages, and other available relief.

Sec. 32-757 through Sec. 32-800 - Reserved.

Planning Commission Goals 2023	
Commissioner	Goal(s)
Pearson	1. Development Standards
Johnson	1. Development Standards 2. Agriculture Protections
Gaulin	1. Quality Development 2. Development Regulations 3. Agricultural Issues
Williams	1. Density Standard 2. Agriculture Standards
Spicer	
Nix	

James Coley

From: Keane J Terry <jtk7140@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 3, 2023 10:05 AM
To: James Coley
Subject: Planning Commission - Junkyard Ordinance

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Mr. Coley,

Please read the following note concerning my support for the proposed Commercial Junk Yard ordinance at the next Planning Commission meeting.

My name is Terry Keane, I live in the Keowee II neighborhood and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses.

This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues, health safety and visual blight in our community (especially at the Old Clemson Highway junkyard) and to protect our waterways. Provision of proper setbacks, safe loading/unloading areas and visual separation by fencing & landscaping should be required. I also agree with not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you,

Terry Keane

From: [Jeff Johnson](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard ordinance
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 4:06:27 PM

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Mr. Coley and members of the Planning Commission:

My name is Jeff Johnson and I live in Keowee Key. I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations that have been proposed.

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts

Jeff Johnson

From: [Rita](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Grand fathering junk yards (junk ordnance)
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 4:36:31 PM

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My husband John and I , Rita Wheeler are against grand fathering junk yards. They need to be current with county standards. Thank you

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James Coley

From: Jim Codner <jcodner@bellsouth.net>
Sent: Friday, March 3, 2023 1:01 PM
To: James Coley
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance

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Mr. Coley - Please share this note with the Planning Commission members either by forwarding to them or reading at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting. Thank you.

I applaud Planning Commission's initiative to place much needed controls on junkyard facilities. They provide a necessary service to the county, but have gotten out of control. Reasonable restrictions are needed to provide safe storage conditions, prevent water pollution, and protect the aesthetics of our beautiful county.

Given that, I find it unfathomable that you would exempt existing junkyards from complying with this ordinance. Current facilities are where the problem is and what must be addressed. Certainly, current operations should be given a reasonable time frame to come into compliance. In extreme cases, offending operations might also apply for a variance if they can support the need for relief from restrictions such as setbacks. In no way, however should current junkyards be grandfathered. This would be a disservice to the county, dodge the issue altogether, and reflect poorly on Planning Commission's ability to deal with pressing county issues.

Please remove the grandfathering provision from the proposed ordinance, or don't even forward it to Council. It would be a useless effort that does not address the problem.

Thank you for your attention.

Jim Codner

From: [Gary Owens](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Friday, March 3, 2023 1:53:24 PM

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Mr. Coley, please read, and submit into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Thank you.

Oconee County Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

I have reviewed the pending Junkyard Ordinance. I commend the Planning Staff and the Planning Commission for taking the lead in drafting such an important and long needed ordinance in Oconee County.

I am addressing Sec 32.755 (a) below. For this ordinance to be fully effective in Oconee County, it is imperative that ALL junkyards be included in the ordinance. The phrase below, which exempts an existing junkyard, should be removed from the ordinance.

In addition, I am pleased that you include the following requirements in the new ordinance:

That junkyards comply with all chapters of the International Fire Code as well addressing the handling, storage and disposal of hazardous waste.

That junkyards obtain an NPDES permit (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) so the County can be confident that the junkyard is operating within DHEC requirements for its industrial waste discharge.

That all junkyards must have fencing. A fence will protect the property of the junkyard but can also keep curious children out of a junkyard which can protect our young ones. Given the strong recommendation to NOT exempt current junkyards from this important ordinance, you likely will need to add some timelines for an existing junkyard to reach full compliance. As an example, you might require an existing junkyard to comply with all fencing regulations by the end of the first 6 months of the ordinance passing to install road-facing fences. You might give them up to, but no longer than, 1 year to comply with all side and rear fencing requirements.

This ordinance will not be impactful or effective if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations that you have drafted.

Please make these important changes now, before it is submitted to the Oconee County Council for approval and implementation.

Thank you for your work on behalf of all residents and businesses of Oconee County.

Sec. 32-755. - Existing nonconforming Commercial Junkyards in existence prior to the enactment of these Commercial Junkyard regulations.

(a)

Any *Commercial junkyard* that can provide documentary proof of ongoing operations occurring prior to the date this Article is enacted shall be exempt from the requirements of this Article as a “*Nonconforming Commercial junkyard*,” unless one of the following conditions arise:

Best regards,

Gary Owens
Salem, SC

From: [CHARLES RAWLINS](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
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Mr. Coley,
Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

*Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:
My name is Charles Rawlins, I live in Seneca and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Charles Rawlins

From: [Steve MacLeod](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is Steve MacLeod, I live in Waterford Pointe and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

The future of Oconee is in the hands of the planning commission and I hope you will enact this ordinance to protect us all.

*Steve MacLeod
864-918-1943*

From: [John Eagar](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
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Mr. James Coley:

I have had the opportunity to read the proposed Junkyard Ordinance and generally agree with the Planning Commission's approach. I think we can all agree that that the junkyards and metal processing operations provide a needed service to Oconee County, but, by their very nature, need to be controlled so as not to encroach upon their neighbors or become a general nuisance to the overall community.

Junkyards have the tendency to collect water, which breeds insects, and potentially impact the ground water due to leaking oils and chemicals from junk vehicles. They can become an eyesore within the community and can potentially overflow on to roads and highways with screws and small pieces of metal, as well as other remnants from their disposal process.

Considering these factors, the Junkyard Ordinance must apply to both existing and all future junkyards and processing centers. Any provision to "Grandfather" existing facilities must be eliminated for the Junkyard Ordinance in order for it to succeed. If the Planning Commission insists on a "Grandfather" provision, then the Commission should scrap the entire Junkyard Ordinance effort because it will have no meaning.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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Note:

Please read at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting

From: [Kevin Minton](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard ordinance
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Mr. Coley,
Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is Kevin Minton, I live in Wynward Pointe and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations being proposed.

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

**Thank you for your efforts,
Kevin Minton**

From: [Dale Wilde](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard ordinance
Date: Friday, March 3, 2023 4:18:31 PM

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Planning Commissioners and Mr Coley,

I have reviewed the proposed Junkyard Ordinance and fully support its passing. All Junk yards should comply with the ordinance with additional time being given to existing Junkyards to reach compliance.

Oconee County needs such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect the waterways. Proper fencing and setbacks are needed to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts with setting forth sound and practical ordinances.

Ms. Dale Wilde
President, FOLKS

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To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyard Ordinance
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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is Barry Cook I live in The Summit Subdivision and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Regards,
Barry Cook

From: [Barry Cook](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Friday, March 3, 2023 4:36:49 PM

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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is Twila Cook I live in The Summit Subdivision and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

*We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.
Thank you for your efforts,*

Regards,
Twila Cook

From: [Terry Keane](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Revised letter in favor of junkyard ordinance
Date: Friday, March 3, 2023 6:30:26 PM

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Mr. Coley,
Please read the following note concerning my support for the proposed Commercial Junk Yard ordinance at the next Planning Commission meeting.

My name is Terry Keane, I live in the Keowee II neighborhood and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses.

This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues, improve health safety and stop visual blight in our community and to protect our waterways. Provision of proper setbacks, safe loading/unloading areas and visual separation by fencing & landscaping should be required. I also agree with not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you,

Terry Keane

Sent from my iPad

From: [Michelle Balon](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard ordinance
Date: Friday, March 3, 2023 6:41:29 PM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

Our names are Ed and Michelle Balon and we live in Keowee Key. We are in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. We also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Ed and Michelle Balon

mebalon@gmail.com

864-280-2206

From: [Martha Steele](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial junkyards
Date: Friday, March 3, 2023 9:14:49 PM

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Mr. James Coley:

At the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance, please read and submit for the record our following letter.

Planning Commission and Mr. James Coley:

Our names are John and Martha Steele and we live in Keowee 1, 2, 3 Subdivision. We fully support the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. We definitely feel the ordinance should apply to all existing and any new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not have the desired impact if existing junkyards are not included in the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

It is urgent that these controls be enforced to remove existing safety issues and to protect our waterways. We also support the need for standard setbacks and protective fencing for safety issues and to protect the aesthetics of our beautiful county. We likewise support not placing junkyards near churches, daycares, schools, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your concern and efforts to protect our county and our residents.

Sent from my iPad

From: [ngara](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyards
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 6:58:07 AM

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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is ___Nancy Gara_____, I live in _Waterford, Seneca_____ (town, neighborhood, etc.) and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

*We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities. Thank you for your efforts,
_Nancy Gara__ (name)*

From: [allpar485](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 7:16:08 AM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Charlotte Bailey and I live in Keowee Key and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Charlotte and Robert W. Bailey

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Lee Nicholson](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junk yard ordinance input
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 7:20:21 AM

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Hi,

We have a house in Keowee Key (71 Mainsail Drive, Salem, SC 29676). We fully support the proposed controls on junkyards -- as long as the current owners are given a reasonable time to comply.

I would also (reluctantly) support some needs-based financial assistance for setbacks and fences for existing facilities. We also have property in Pickens County on Ambler School Road, and, despite processed county legal warnings, the changes will simply not get done without "arresting" the owners. Some of these owners are operating hand-to-mouth. They do have a valid "grandfathering" point in feeling that they started their business prior to the regulations and increased costs -- even if their business is a massive eyesore.

Thank you,
Lee Nicholson
404-909-3315

From: [epgouge](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 7:23:59 AM

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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Eva Gouge, I live in Salem, SC. and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Eva P. Gouge

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From: dan.hogan@lordandhogan.com
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyard controls
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 7:46:26 AM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Dan Hogan. I live in Keowee Key and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well-thought-out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect the aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts, Dan Hogan

Dan Hogan
713-249-1365 Cell

From: [James Simollardes](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: RE: Upcoming Planning Commission Commercial Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 7:50:39 AM

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ATTN: James Coley, Oconee County Planning Director

Hello Mr. Coley,

It has come to my attention that I will not be able to attend the Planning Commission's meeting this Monday.

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

To the Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is James Simollardes and I live in Salem, SC. I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

As I drive around and outside our beautiful county I am struck by the beauty of our community and grateful for the privilege of living here. We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our beautiful waterways. I feel it is imperative that the ordinance requires inclusion of proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Jim Simollardes

17 First Mate Way

Salem, SC 29676

From: [Mail service](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyard Control
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 7:58:25 AM

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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

Our names are Danny and Margaret Edie. We own a home in the Summit subdivision in Seneca, South Carolina, and we are in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. The ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well-thought-out rules and regulations you have proposed.

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and protect our waterways. We are particularly concerned about a junkyard near our subdivision on Old Clemson highway. We also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreational facilities.

Thank you for your efforts.

Sincerely,

Danny D. and Margaret H. Edie

From: [Ted Manes](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Planning Commision Meeting
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 8:03:34 AM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Ted Manes, I live in keowee Key, Salem SC and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Ted Manes

From: richardcobos@aol.com
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance
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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr Coley:

*My name is Charlotte Cobos, I live in the community of Keowee Key of Salem and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Charlotte Cobos

From: [Kristen Worst](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Support Controls on all Junkyards- New and Existing
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 8:16:27 AM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Kristen Worst, I live in Salem, SC and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Kristen Worst

From: galpal51@aol.com
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: junkyard ordinance
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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Joan Loughran, I live in Keowee Key, and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts, and for paying attention to this important issue.

Joan Loughran

From: [Paul Corbeil](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Cc: karincorbeil@gmail.com
Subject: Commercial Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 8:37:06 AM

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Mr. Coley,

The proposed Commercial Junkyard Ordinance gives Oconee County commercial and residential interests another excellent opportunity to improve what we have and does so with a reasonable and fair solution. We have lived in OC for 17 years and frequently use Old Clemson Hwy. When we first witnessed this situation many years ago, we were disappointed. Sadly, especially within the past several years, the situation has gotten considerably worse by expanding to what appears to be 3 road-front lots.

The arguments AQD and others put forth should not impose an undue burden on the current operators. The standards requested simply reflect widely adopted best practices.

We encourage you and the Planning Commission to forward these recommendations on to Council for their early approval. Thank you.

Respectfully,
Paul and Casey Corbeil
1 Admiral Lane
Salem, SC 29676

From: [Joanne Heintz](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance: Please read and submit to the Planning Commission
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 9:01:49 AM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is Joanne Heintz, I live in Keowee Key and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Joanne Heintz

From: [Jean Mehlman](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyard Ordinance
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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*We are Edgar and Jean Mehlman. We live in Keowee Key, and we are in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

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Thank you for your efforts,

Edgar and Jean Mehlman

From: [Chuck Gouge](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Cc: [Chuck Gouge](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyard Ordinance
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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Charles Gouge, I live in Keowee Key in Salem and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Charles Gouge
864.247.7478
crgouge@gmail.com

From: richskinner@charter.net
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance
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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Richard Skinner I live in Keowee Key and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

From: [Katy Clarke](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 9:37:47 AM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Kathryn Clarke and I live in East shores subdivision in Seneca and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts.

Kathryn Clarke

210 Wynmere Way, Seneca SC 29672

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Jeff Lang](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Oconee County Junk
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 9:52:10 AM

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I agree that unsightly and eye pollution junkyards should be responsible. Put a view blocking fence on the property. As long as you're at it, how about the clean up of junkyard homes in the county? These mini- junkyards are eye sores as well.

Mr. Lang

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Jeff Lang - Broker

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From: [Darryl Benamati](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance
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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is Darryl Benamati, I live in Keowee Key and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Darryl Benamati

From: [Bob Hill](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance Support
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 10:08:06 AM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Bob Hill, I live in Keowee Key and have business interests in Oconee County and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Bob F. Hill

From: [Bekah](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 10:23:28 AM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Rebekah Brewer, I live in Keowee Key in Salem, SC, and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Rebekah W Brewer

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From: [Dixie Davies](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 10:25:14 AM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Dixie Davies, I live in South Port Village, Seneca, and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Dixie Davies

410 Arbor Way, Seneca, SC 29672

From: randcsmith@bellsouth.net
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance
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Mr. Coley,
Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is Ricky Smith, I live in Seneca and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,
Ricky Smith

From: [James Baxter](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard ordinance
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Mr. Coley,

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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

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Thank you for your efforts,

James and Teresa Baxter

From: [Katherine Smith](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: for planning meeting (junkyards)
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 12:00:16 PM

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THANK YOU!!! for your efforts,

Katherine Smith

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To: [James Coley](#)
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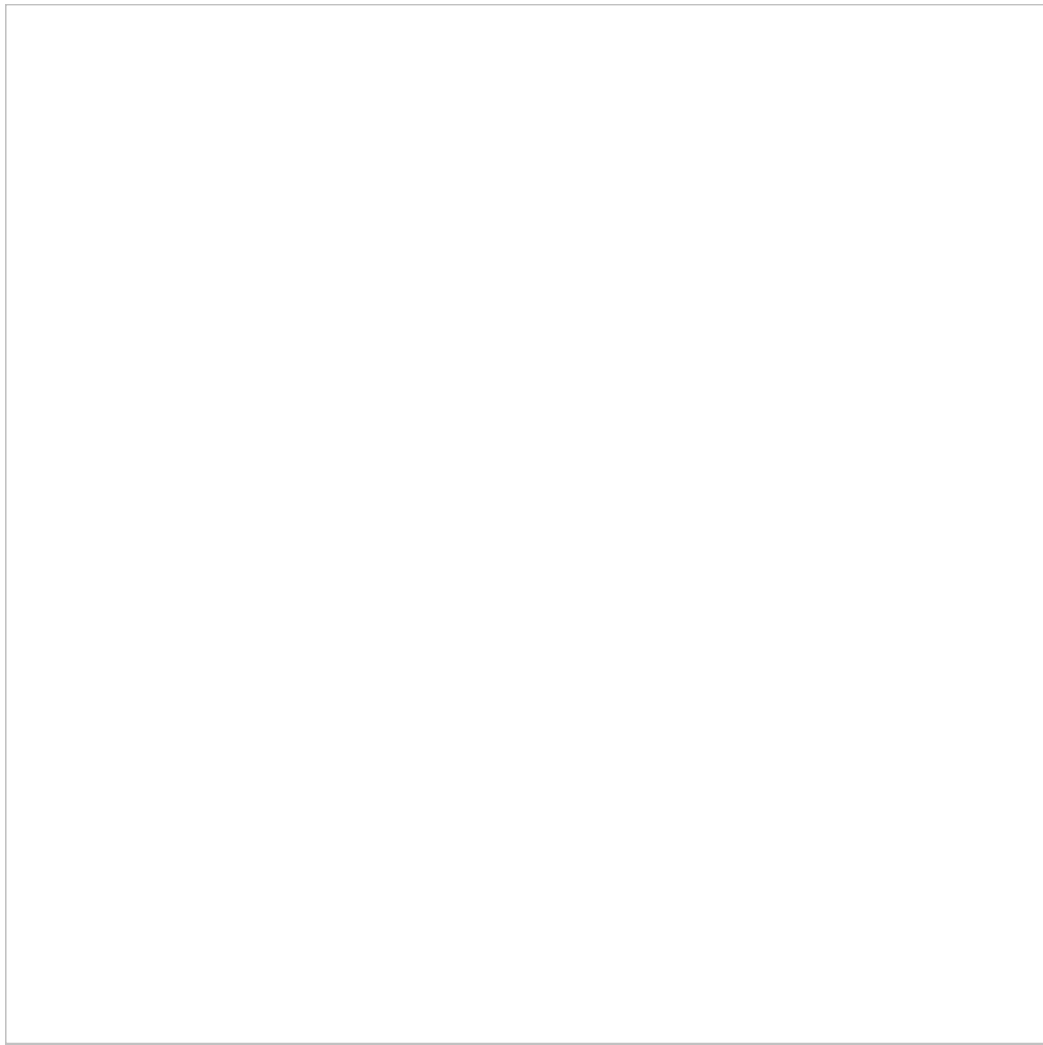


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Commercial Junkyard Ordinance Needs your Urgent Support

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Walhalla, SC

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- jcoley@oconeesc.com

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Example email text

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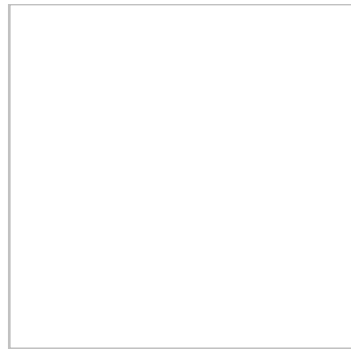
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Thank you for your efforts,

_____*Sidney Hudson* _____ (name)

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Joanne Heintz

President KKPOA Board of Directors

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Community General Manager

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Subject: Junkyard on Old Clemson Highway
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 12:44:46 PM

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The junkyard on Old Clemson Highway most definitely poses a safety concern to all who use roadway. Frequently cars/trucks are being unloaded from the road blocking the movement of traffic. The amount of junk is piled very near the actual road and a true safety issue plus an horrendous eyesore. The amount of junk piled up has definitely increased in size the the 12 years I have lived here.

Susan Goebel

Sent from my iPhone

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To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Fwd: Keowee Key: Junkyard Ordinance
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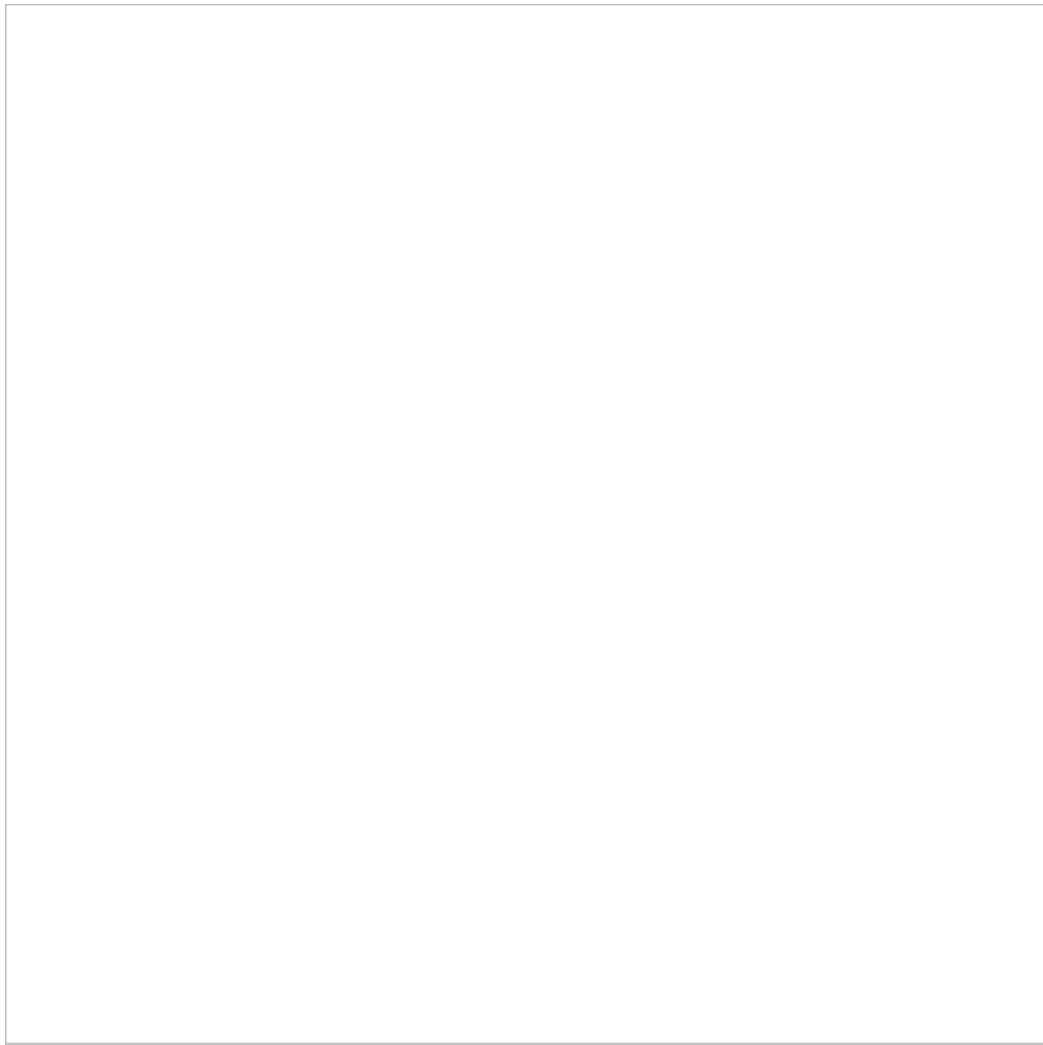


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Example email text

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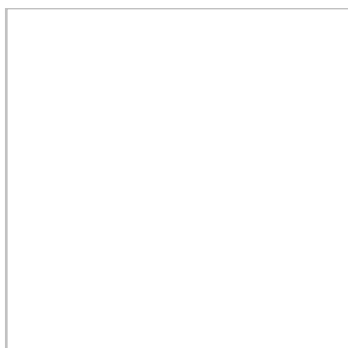
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Thank you for your efforts,

____Banks Hudson _____ (name)

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From: daerce
To: [James Coley](mailto:James.Coley)
Subject: Controls of Commercial Junkyard Businesses
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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is David Erce I live in Keowee Key and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

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Thank you for your efforts,

David Erce
daerce@gmail.com
708.269.3978

From: [Nancy U. Mahan](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance
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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Nancy Mahan, I live in Keowee Key, Salem, SC, and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

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Thank you for your efforts,

Nancy U. Mahan

From: [Tony Alford](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Proposed Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 5:32:04 PM

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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is __Anthony Alford, I live in __Salem SC (Keowee Key) and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

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Thank you for your efforts,

Anthony Alford

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From: [Steve Best](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyards
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 6:51:55 PM

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Mr. Coley,

As a long time resident of Oconee County, I strongly recommend County Council to do the right thing with regard to regulation of commercial junkyards in the heart of our beautiful community.

Not only are these junkyards a hazard to highway traffic (Old Clemson Highway), they also pose a significant threat to the health and well being of the adjacent community in the form toxic runoff and other chemical hazards to adjacent communities.

I encourage the Council to stand firm for the residents of Oconee County by bringing our codes up to date with contemporary standards of dumps in this country and set the standard for what we have established deem as the "common good."

Thanks for all you and Council do for Oconee County, the most beautiful in the State..... and the most deserving of your undivided attention to keep it this way.

Steve Best
Salem

Sent from my iPad

From: [Susan Robirds](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 7:16:28 PM

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Mr. Coley,

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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Susan Robirds, I live in the Riverstone subdivision ooff 130 in Salem and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

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Thank you for your efforts,

Susan Robirds

From: [Lou Ann Pursley](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyard
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 10:28:24 PM

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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Lou Ann Pursley. I live in Salem, SC and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

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Thank you for your efforts,

Lou Ann Pursley

From: [Susanna Schantz](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard hearing ordinance
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 10:39:57 PM

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Greetings Mr. Coley and Planning Commissioners,

I would be grateful if you would read and submit the following into the record at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

My name is Susanna Schantz and I live in Salem. I write to communicate my support for the all the proposed controls—all reasonable and well-informed and researched--in the Junkyard Ordinance. But this Ordinance will only live up to its intent if it applies to not only new, but all existing businesses, with no exceptions or grandfathering.

Road safety is a serious concern of mine, including the safety of tires for motorists passing by businesses. Without adequate setbacks and fencing (to prevent spread to the road of materials deposited), as well as generous, safe and well-conceived modes of entry and exit for customers, these businesses, which of course contribute to the community and the economic base, end up creating problems and dangers.

I am also interested in transparency about the environmental checks on materials deposited—some of which linger--at these sites, and any effects on the watershed.

Thank you very much for working to improve this situation,

Susanna Schantz

From: berdie4@charter.net
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: junk yard ordinance
Date: Saturday, March 4, 2023 11:03:39 PM

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*My name is Roberta Desrochers, I live in Keowee Key community and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

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Thank you for your efforts,

Roberta and Rheal Desrochers



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From: [Doris Brooks](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Cc: [Doris Brooks](#)
Subject: Planning Commission Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 8:27:47 AM

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Mr. Coley,

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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is Doris Books and I live in Keowee Key, Salem SC. I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

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Thank you for your efforts,

e/S Doris J. Brooks

From: authorlovely@gmail.com
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Public comment on Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 8:38:50 AM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is Linda Lovely and my husband and I live in the Beacon Shores neighborhood. The proposed ordinance to impose reasonable regulations on Oconee County Commercial Junkyards is long overdue. Because of the many potential safety hazards associated with commercial junkyards, this ordinance must apply to both existing and new junkyards. However, as a long-time small business owner, I understand the need to be fair to existing businesses. The ordinance should provide a reasonable timetable to comply with requirements, such as erecting fences.

Nonetheless, it makes no sense for the County to grandfather existing businesses to operate in a manner that may endanger the safety of our roads, contaminate our water, pose fire risks or provide habitat for rats and other pests. The ordinance needs to apply to all Commercial Junkyards without exception.

Thank you for your consideration,

Linda Lovely
[Email](#) [Website](#) [Facebook](#) [BookBub](#)

From: [Martha Mensing](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyards
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 10:37:04 AM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read and submit the following into the record at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

My name is Martha Mensing and I live at 373 McCalls Dr. Salem SC. I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. This ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

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Thank you for your efforts.

Martha Mensing

From: [Robert Raver](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junk yards
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 11:35:32 AM

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I am very concerned about the unrestricted junk yards in our County. They poise health and safety risks to neighborhoods and drivers. Also aesthetically they bring the look of our community down and lower property values.

There needs to be restrictions and regulations put into place before more serious traffic accidents or health issues happen. I feel this should be for all existing and future builds.

I am a home owner and taxpayer in Oconee County.

Phyllis Raver

Sent from my iPad

From: [Steve Davis](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Proposed Commercial Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 11:57:58 AM

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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

Our names are Paulette and Steve Davis and we live in Keowee Key. We are in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

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Thank you for your efforts,

Regards,

Paulette and Steve Davis

From: [Ted Bisterfeld](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyards
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 12:31:54 PM

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Dear Mr. Coley,

My wife and I greatly appreciate the work of the Planning Commission on the issue of junkyards. We fully support the draft Commercial Junkyard Ordinance, We urge you to finalize this ordinance and recommend it to be adopted by the Oconee County Council at the earliest possible time.

Sincerely,

Ted & Linda Bisterfeld
129 South Port Drive
Seneca, SC 29672

From: [philip.gainey](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Cc: [philip.gainey](#)
Subject: Junkyard regulations - ordinances
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 1:35:40 PM

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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

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*Thank you,
Philip Gainey*

From: [Jim Blass](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyard Ordinance
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My name is James Blass; I live in Seneca, SC - Waterford Pointe Community and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed. These pose a danger to passing cars when they are close to the road with no fence or barrier. If a piece of junk were to fall on the road, the incoming cars have no response time, and this could result in severe injury for which the county would be liable, and the small business would be liable.

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Thank you,
James Blass

From: [PETER BARNES](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Unsightly and Unsafe Junkyard Facilities
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 2:56:53 PM

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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is _ Peter Barnes _____, I live in Keowee 1_(Cane Creek Dr)_____ and my wife Pat and I are in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

*We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.
Thank you for your efforts*

Peter A. Barnes
Former President of the Keowee SubDivision HOA

From: [Tommy D. Mills](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 3:40:14 PM

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Mr. Coley,
Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is Tommy Mills, I live in Keowee II Subdivision and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts

Tommy Mills

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From: b0b.m4h4n@gmail.com
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 3:57:30 PM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Bob Mahan, I live in Keywee Key and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Bob Mahan

From: [Danny Delmarco](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyards
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 5:10:58 PM

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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is Danny Delmarco, I live in Keowee III Subdivision and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

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Thank you for your efforts

**Danny Delmarco, Realtor
ABR, CRS
Weichert Realtors - In The Golden Corner
15873 Wells Hwy
Seneca, SC 29678**

**864-710-4211 (C)
864-885-1445 (O)
864-885-1440 (Fax)**

From: [Lana Todd](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 5:30:07 PM

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Mr. Coley,

We are Bob & Lana Todd in Keowee Subdivision on Hwy. 130 in Seneca, SC.

We FULLY support the proposed ordinance that will provide *reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses*. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with **no** exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the county as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings and recreational facilities, public buildings and recreational facilities.

Thanks for your efforts.

Bob & Lana

From: patricia.r.robertson@gmail.com
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 6:02:53 PM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

Our names are William and Patricia Robertson, and we live at 22 Cardinal Point, Salem, SC 29676. We are in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Patty Robertson
404.376.9993

From: egreene863@aol.com
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: JUnk
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 7:00:34 PM

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Mr. Coley,

My name is _Jerry and Jean Greene_____, I live in _Seneca, Waterford community _____ (town, neighborhood, etc.) and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

In addition, we would like to see more oversight of pop-up car repair facilities that encroach our roads and eventually are cluttered with junk. I doubt anyone has a license to practice these car repairs.

Thank you for your efforts,

Jerry and Jean Greene
678-488-5880

From: [kep522 \(null\)](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Hearing on junkyard
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 7:53:01 PM

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Mr. Coley,
Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is Kim Patterson, I live in Seneca, SC and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

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Thank you for your efforts,
Kim Patterson

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Gene Dickson](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: recycle junk centers
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 9:44:08 PM

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Pleas do something about this hazard. I have had to drive so far out of my way to pass these operations as I have experience so many flat tires by passing by them. Nails, screws, scrap metal falls off the trucks and trailers delivering the scrap and has caused me to replace damaged tires. I happen to live near one and it has cost me so many tire replacements over the years. I support your ordinance.
Gene Dickson-Keowee Subdivision

From: [Gene Dickson](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Fwd: Failure Notice
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 9:30:49 PM

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-----Original Message-----

From: MAILER-DAEMON@aol.com
To: genejandickson@aol.com
Sent: Sun, Mar 5, 2023 9:27 pm
Subject: Failure Notice

Sorry, we were unable to deliver your message to the following address.

<jconley@oconeesc.com>:

550: Invalid Recipient - <https://community.mimecast.com/docs/DOC-1369#550>
[bhcfbToZPZi4DwJBcubZBg.us156]

----- Forwarded message -----

I have resided near a recycle center for the past twenty plus years. I have experienced numerous flat tires due to metal scrap and bolts, screws, and nails which I believe came from trucks and trailers carrying all kinds of material to those type locations. I actually have to go miles out of my way to avoid passing where these operations exist.

I support your proposals to regulate these operations.

Gene Dickson - 1522 Red Oak Ct Seneca 29672

From: [Polly Dickson](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Cc: [Alec Rothrock](#)
Subject: Junkyard controls
Date: Sunday, March 5, 2023 9:58:58 PM

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Hello Mr. Coley,

My husband and I are moving back to Seneca after 5 years. We've been there recently and are shocked by the expansion of a junkyard on the way from our home to Clemson.

We won't be able to attend the meeting, not living there quite yet, but please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

We are Polly Dickson and Alec Rothrock, we live in Seneca - Waterford - and in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. We also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,
Polly Dickson and Alec Rothrock

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Polly Dickson
630-903-9131

From: [Joyce Brooks](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Zoning Commission Ordinance
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 5:56:19 AM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Joyce Brooks, I live in Keowee Key, Salem SC and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Joyce Brooks ~

From: [Michael Andalora](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard ordinance
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 7:21:47 AM

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Dear Mr. Coley:

My name is Michael Andalora, I live in the Waterfrod Pointe Subdivision in Seneca, SC. and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

Thank you for your efforts to preserve the safety and appearance of our wonderful county.

**Michael Andalora
306 Groveview Ln.
Seneca, SC 29672**

From: [Cheryl Miller](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Safety needs for all junkyards and surrounding area
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 8:24:58 AM

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Mr. Coley,

It has come to my attention that there are junkyards in Oconee County that pose significant traffic safety dangers to those that travel that road and to the watershed below the facility. As such, any and all exceptions or grandfathering of existing junkyards from these proposed ordinances are unacceptable.

Please ensure the safety of all people in our county, both physical and environmental to get fences up around these unsightly and unsafe properties.

Thank you.

Cheryl Miller and Dave Denison
138 E. Waterford Drive, Seneca 29672

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Margaret Allen](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Motion
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 9:58:02 AM

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Mr. Coley,
Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

*Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:
My name is Margaret Allen., I live in ___Keowee Key and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Also, I am trying to get financing for a business close by and it would help me started not to have this in my face.

Thanks,

Margaret Allen

Margaret Allen
704-288-6941

From: [Mike Smith](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: junkyard ordinance
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:15:32 AM

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James,

I fully support a junkyard ordinance with the caveat that the existing junkyards are required to be in full compliance within a certain period of time. Additionally the county should explore for funds from other sources to assist the existing junkyards to meet these requirements. The planning commission should support this regardless of whether the county council will support such as ordinance. It is your job to plan for the future and this is a long overdue step. The county is growing and we need to plan for the future in an effective manner. A junkyard ordinance that includes the requirement for the existing junkyards to meet the compliance requirements must be included in this ordinance. Other counties have done this - why can't the planning commission have the courage to propose an effective ordinance?

Thank you,

J.M.Smith

From: [Ron](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Proposed Ordinance for Commercial Junkyards
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:20:33 AM

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Mr. Coley:

Please read and incorporate this email into the record for the upcoming Oconee County Planning Commission meeting regarding the proposed ordinance for Commercial Junkyards in Oconee County.

My name is Ron Cilensek and I live in the Keowee Key development within Oconee County, and I fully support the proposed ordinance for regulation of Commercial Junkyard businesses. I find it appalling that such an ordinance does not already exist, and that such businesses are currently exempt from compliance with the International Fire Code, NPDES permit requirements for industrial waste discharges, and hazardous waste storage and disposal requirements. In addition, there should be minimum setback requirements from adjacent roadways for traffic safety, and established setbacks with vegetation buffers to protect contamination of adjacent water bodies and streams due to rain runoff from junkyard debris.

The proposed ordinance must be applicable to **ALL EXISTING** and new junkyards without exception. Such regulations are needed to address potential roadway safety hazards adjacent to such junkyards, and to protect adjacent water courses and streams from potential toxic, heavy metal, and petroleum contamination emanating from junkyard debris. There should also be proper fencing and/or screening around such commercial junkyards to protect the aesthetics of Oconee County, as well as prohibiting locations of commercial junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, medical facilities, public buildings, and recreational facilities.

Thank you for consideration of these efforts,
Ronald Cilensek

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Ron Cilensek
6 Rum Row Ct.
Salem, SC 29676
623-734-5930

From: [Allan Nielsen](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Cc: [Allan Nielsen](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyard
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 10:49:53 AM

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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is Allan Nielsen, I live in Salem (town, neighborhood, etc.) and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts,

Allan R Nielsen

From: [Randy](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard regulations
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 11:17:11 AM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

*My name is _____Randy Buza_____, I live in _____Salem, SC_____ (town, neighborhood, etc.) and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. **This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions.** The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.*

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Thank you for your efforts,

Randy Buza (*name*

Sent from Randy's iPhone

From: [G D FRABLE](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Regulations, Mtg 3/6/23
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 1:15:26 PM

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Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is Gary Frable. I live at 164D Landfall Lane, Salem, Oconee County and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

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Thank you for your efforts,

Gary Frable

From: [Lee Jennings](#)
To: [Planning Info](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 1:05:15 PM

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Sirs:

I just wanted to voice my opinion in the subject matter. I would vote to immediately enact the ordinance without adding any grandfather clause. In my area of the county, Coneross Creek Road, there has been some development which caused removal of trees. The property adjacent to this had a junkyard that extended over 100 yards into the property that was hidden by the trees. It is definitely an eyesore and should now have a fence. Also it seems that several car repair businesses and welding businesses end up having more than 4 inoperative/junk cars and other eyesores added to their location every day. While I am sure this would constitute a commercial junk yard, they do have a lot of junk around their business which is not conducive to attracting tourism to the lake.

Best Regards,
Carlton Jennings

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

From: [Janice Howells](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 1:09:50 PM

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Dear Mr.Coley,

In regard to the Planning Commission meeting tonight, I strongly urge you to support and to vote for the proposed ordinance that will establish and support controls of Commercial Junkyards businesses. To be effective, the ordinance must apply to all Existing and new businesses in order to improve the safety of our roads, to protect our waterways, and to enhance the beauty of our area.

Thank you for your time and efforts.

Janice M Howells
35 Quartermaster Dr, Salem, SC 29676

From: [Sally McClary](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Junkyard Ordinance
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 1:31:46 PM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is _____ Sally McClary _____, I live in _____ Wynward Pointe Subdivision Salem _____ (town, neighborhood, etc.) and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

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Thank you for your efforts,

Sally McClary

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Rob Rickerby](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial junkyard ordinance
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 1:34:26 PM

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Mr. Coley,

Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is _____ Rob Rickerby _____, I live in _____ Waterford Subdivision _____ (town, neighborhood, etc.) and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

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Thank you for your efforts,
_____ Rob Rickerby _____ (name)

From: [Ernest Kozma](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyards
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 2:10:02 PM

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Dear Mr. Jcoley,

I as a concerned county resident (Carol Kozma. Keowee 2) would like stricter rules concerning all commercial junkyards in Oconee County. Among them would be 10 foot fencing (which would have slats that would block view from the road). A 20 foot buffer zone between junkyard and road should be installed. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Carol Kozma
Sent from my iPad

From: [Mark Shawen](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Upcoming planning commission meeting
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 2:20:38 PM

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Mr. Coley,
Please read, and submit the following into the record, at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting for the hearing on the junkyard ordinance.

Planning Commissioners and Mr. Coley:

My name is Chris Shawen , I live in Keowee 1, Seneca and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of Commercial Junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempted from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

We urgently need such controls to remove existing road safety issues and to protect our waterways. I also agree with the need for proper fencing and setbacks to protect aesthetics of the County as well as not locating junkyards near churches, schools, daycare centers, various care facilities, public buildings, and recreation facilities.

Thank you for your efforts

Sincerely,
Chris Shawen
chris.shawen100@gmail.com
757-784-4142

From: [AOL Info.](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Commercial Junkyard
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 2:47:05 PM

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I support your efforts in controlling Commercial Junkyards.

I will try to attend the upcoming meeting.

Thank You,

Vince c. Malanga

From: [Tom & Phyllis Gardner](#)
To: [James Coley](#)
Subject: Tonight's 5 o'clock meeting regarding the commercial junkyard ordinance
Date: Monday, March 6, 2023 3:30:24 PM

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Dear Mr. Coley,

Unfortunately my husband and I are unable to attend this evening's 5 o'clock meeting. My name is Phyllis Gardner, I live in Keowee II subdivision and I am in full support of the proposed ordinance that will provide reasonable controls of commercial junkyard businesses. This ordinance must apply to all existing and new junkyards with no exceptions. The ordinance will not be impactful if existing junkyards are exempt from the well thought out rules and regulations you have proposed.

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Thank you for your efforts in preserving the valued landscape of Oconee County.

Tom and Phyllis Gardner
1622 W. Little River Drive
Seneca, SC 29672

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