

ARTICLE 1

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1-1 **Authority and Intent**

In accordance with Article 19, Part 3, Chapter 160A of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the town of Jonesville has the authority to adopt and enforce a zoning ordinance. The general intent of this ordinance shall be to promote the general health, safety, morals, and welfare of the community. More specifically, it shall be to promote the orderly development of the town; lessen congestion of its streets and roads; protect citizens and their property from fire, panic, and other dangers; provide adequate light and air; prevent overcrowding of the land; and facilitate the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, schools, parks, and other public requirements.

Section 1-2 **Short Title**

This ordinance shall be known as the "Zoning Ordinance of Jonesville, North Carolina," and shall consist of this text and the "Official Zoning Map."

Section 1-3 **Jurisdiction**

This ordinance shall apply to all territory within the corporate limits of the Town of Jonesville and its extraterritorial planning jurisdiction. However, in no case shall the extraterritorial jurisdiction extend into the town of Arlington and its extraterritorial planning area or north across the Yadkin River into the City of Elkin or its extraterritorial planning jurisdiction.

Section 1-4 **Bona Fide Farms Exempt**

The provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to bona fide farms. This ordinance does not exercise any controls over crop lands, timber lands, pasture lands, idle or other farm lands, nor over any farm house, barn, poultry house, or other farm buildings including tenant or other houses for persons working on said farms, as long as such houses shall be in the same ownership as the farm and located on the farm. Such agricultural uses maintain the openness of the land and achieve the purposes of this ordinance without the need for regulation. Residences for non-farm use or occupancy and other non-farm uses shall be subject to the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 1-5 **Flood Hazard Area**

All areas within Jonesville town limits that are identified in Zone A on FIA Flood Hazard Boundary Map (Map H - 01, Community Number 370260 B, April 18, 1980) shall comply with the requirements specified in Jonesville Flood Prevention Ordinance.