

Adopted: 12-20-22

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-07

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-07 AMENDS THE ASHLAND TOWN CODE BY REVISING SECTION 21-269, "GAS STATIONS," TO ARTICLE XXV, "SUPPLEMENTAL REGULATIONS," IN CHAPTER 21, "ZONING" TO ALLOW FOR AN INCREASE OF ONE FOOT IN THE REGULATED HEIGHT OF GAS STATION CANOPIES

WHEREAS the Ashland Town Council referred Ordinance No. 2022-07 to the Ashland Planning Commission on October 4, 2022; and

WHEREAS the Ashland Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on November 9, 2022, which was properly advertised in the *Ashland-Hanover Local* once a week for two successive weeks as required by Virginia Code Section 15.2-2204; and

WHEREAS the Ashland Town Council conducted a duly advertised public hearing on December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022; and

WHEREAS the Ashland Town Council has determined that the public necessity, convenience, general welfare, and good zoning practices require this amendment.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Ashland Town Council that Chapter 21, "Zoning," of the Ashland Town Code be amended by revising "shall not exceed fourteen (14) feet" from Article XXV, "Supplemental Regulations," Section 21-269, "Gas Stations," and replacing the language with "shall not exceed fifteen (15) feet" to read in its entirety as follows:

"Sec. 21-269. – Gas Stations

1. Gas station canopies must be in scale with the main structure and shall not exceed the maximum height of the main structure approved by the zoning administrator. The maximum height at the base of the canopy *shall not exceed ~~fourteen (14)~~ fifteen (15) feet*. Pitched roofs are strongly encouraged.
2. Architectural features that help to blend in the station with the surrounding area shall be utilized. Architectural details on the cornice shall not be internally illuminated, and ceiling lighting must be flush-mounted.
3. All exterior lighting shall be of a style compatible with the surrounding area and preferably of the shoebox style as recommended in the design guidelines.

4. All lighting fixtures in the gas station canopy that illuminate the gas pumps and building must be completely recessed.”

On a motion of Vice Mayor Hodges, seconded by Councilmember Barnhart, the Ashland Town Council voted to approve Ordinance 2022-07 as follows:

This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

Vote:

Mayor Trivett

Vice Mayor Hodges

Councilmember Abbott

Councilmember McGraw

Councilmember Barnhart

Signed: [Signature] Date: 12-28-22  
Steve Trivett, Mayor

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Douglas A. Goodman, Clerk of Council

**Public Hearings:**

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