



Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 8/1/2023

New Business

Department: Fire Marshal, Emergency Services

Presenter(s): Kevin Tipton, Fire Marshal

Contact(s): Kevin Tipton

Subject: Ordinance Amending the Fire Prevention & Protection Ordinances

Brief Summary: Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 153A-121, a County may prohibit acts which are detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of its citizens and the peace and dignity of the county. On August 9, 1994, the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners adopted the Fire Prevention and Protection Ordinance. Based on changes to state law and recommendations from the Fire Chief's Consultant, the Fire Marshal is requesting certain amendments to the Buncombe County Fire Prevention and Protection Ordinance in order to make the Ordinance consistent with State laws. The request includes new open burning regulations that authorize extinguishment authority. The purpose of the ordinance remains public safety, health, and quality of life.

Recommended Motion & Requested Action: Approve the Ordinance Amending the Fire Prevention & Protection Ordinances.

County Manager's comments and Recommendation: Approve as presented.