

ORDINANCE NO. 26-7()

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 7, HEALTH AND SAFETY, ARTICLE 5, NUISANCES, DIVISION 1, UNCONTROLLED VEGETATION, OF THE CODE OF THE COUNTY OF ALBEMARLE, VIRGINIA

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Albemarle, Virginia, that Chapter 7, Health and Safety, Article 5, Nuisances is hereby reordained and amended as follows:

By Amending:

Sec. 7-503 Exemptions

Chapter 7: Health and Safety

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**Article 5. Nuisances
Division 1. Uncontrolled Vegetation
Sec. 7-503 Exemptions**

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This division does not apply in:

- A. The corporate limits of the Town of Scottsville.
- B. The Monticello Historic zoning district.
- C. The Rural Areas zoning district.
- D. Areas used for pastures, that are under cultivation, are forested, or are within utility transmission easements.
- E. Areas where the vegetative growth is regulated under State or federal laws or programs.
- F. Any ~~stream~~ riparian buffer required by the County Code or ~~which is~~ protected under a permanent conservation or open-space easement.
- G. Areas landscaped pursuant to an approved plan of natural landscaping, provided that the natural landscaping: (i) does not encroach within a minimum of five feet from any developed areas, roads, or buildings; and (ii) includes and maintains at least 80 percent native plants by area coverage; and further provided that the approved plan includes a plan to identify and manage native plant material as well as a plan to manage and eliminate noxious weeds.

H. Property designated through an approved zoning or subdivision plat as open space, green space, conservation area, or preservation area and that is intended to remain in its natural state.

I. Public park lands.

J. Stormwater management facilities such as detention ponds.

(Ord. [09-7\(2\)](#), 9-2-09; Ord. [15-7\(1\)](#), 5-6-15; Ord. [20-7\(1\)](#), 3-18-20, effective 5-1-20; [Ord. 26-7\(\)](#), 6-17-26, effective 9-1-26)

This ordinance will be effective on and after September 1, 2026.

I, Claudette K. Borgersen, do hereby certify that the foregoing writing is a true, correct copy of an Ordinance duly adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Albemarle County, Virginia, by a vote of ____ to ____, as recorded below, at a regular meeting held on June 17, 2026.

Clerk, Board of County Supervisors

	Aye	Nay
Mr. Gallaway	_____	_____
Ms. Duncan	_____	_____
Ms. LaPisto-Kirtley	_____	_____
Ms. Mallek	_____	_____
Mr. Missel	_____	_____
Mr. Pruitt	_____	_____