

**ORDINANCE NO. 18-18(2)**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 18, ZONING, ARTICLE II, BASIC REGULATIONS, AND ARTICLE III, DISTRICT REGULATIONS, 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 18, Zoning, Article II, Basic Regulations, and Article III, District Regulations, are hereby amended and reordained as follows:

**By Amending:**

Article 2, Sec. 5.1.47 Farm stands and farmers' markets.

**By Amending:**

Article 3, Sec. 10.2 Permitted uses.

Article 3, Sec. 11.3 Permitted uses.

Article 3, Sec. 12.2 Permitted uses.

**Chapter 18. Zoning**

**Article II. Basic Regulations**

**Section 5. Supplementary Regulations**

.....

**5.1.47 FARM STANDS AND FARMERS' MARKETS**

Each farm stand and farmers' market shall be subject to the following, as applicable:

- a. *Zoning clearance.* Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, each farm stand or farmers' market shall obtain approval of a zoning clearance issued by the zoning administrator as provided by section 31.5 before the use is established as provided herein:
  1. *Application.* Each application for a zoning clearance shall include a letter or other evidence from the Virginia Department of Transportation establishing that it has approved the entrance from the public street to the proposed use and a sketch plan, which shall be a schematic drawing of the site with notes in a form and of a scale approved by the zoning administrator depicting: (i) all structures that would be used for the use; (ii) how access, on-site parking, outdoor lighting, signage and minimum yards will be provided in compliance with this section and this chapter; and (iii) how potential adverse impacts to adjoining property will be mitigated.
  2. If the zoning administrator requires information on the sketch plan or mitigation measures that the applicant objects to the applicant may appeal the requirement to the board of supervisors by submitting a written request for appeal to the clerk of the board of supervisors within ten (10) days after the date of the zoning administrator's request. In acting on an appeal, the board shall consider the recommendation of the zoning administrator and all other relevant evidence. The board may approve or deny the request. In approving a request on an appeal, the board may impose reasonable conditions deemed necessary to protect the public health, safety or welfare.
  3. *Notice.* The zoning administrator shall provide written notice that an application for a zoning clearance for a farm stand or by right farmers' market has been submitted to the Virginia Department of Health and to the owner of each abutting lot under different ownership than the lot

on which the proposed use would be located. The notice shall identify the proposed use and its size and location and invite the recipient to submit any comments before the zoning clearance is acted upon. The notice shall be mailed at least ten (10) days prior to the action on the zoning clearance as provided in section 32.4.2.1(g). The review by the Virginia Department of Health shall be independent of the zoning administrator's review of the application for a zoning clearance and the approval of the zoning clearance shall not be dependent on any approval by the Virginia Department of Health. The notice requirements shall not apply to a zoning clearance required for a farmers' market that has been approved by special use permit.

b. *Structure size.* Structures used in conjunction with a farm stand or farmers' market shall comply with the following:

1. *Farm stands.* Any permanent structure established on and after May 5, 2010 (hereinafter, "new permanent structure") used for a farm stand shall not exceed one thousand five hundred (1500) square feet gross floor area. Any permanent structure, regardless of its size, established prior to May 5, 2010 (hereinafter, "existing permanent structure") may be used for a farm stand provided that if the structure does not exceed one thousand five hundred (1500) square feet gross floor area, its area may be enlarged or expanded so that its total area does not exceed one thousand five hundred (1500) square feet gross floor area, and further provided that if the existing structure exceeds one thousand five hundred (1500) square feet gross floor area, it may not be enlarged or expanded while it is used as a farm stand.
2. *Farmers' markets.* Any new or existing permanent structure may be used for a farmers' market without limitation to its size.

C. *Yards.* Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the following minimum front, side and rear yard requirements shall apply to a farm stand or farmers' market:

1. *New permanent structures and temporary structures.* The minimum front, side and rear yards required for any new permanent structure or temporary structure shall be as provided in the bulk and area regulations established for the applicable zoning district, provided that the minimum front yard on an existing public road in the rural areas (RA) district shall be thirty-five (35) feet. The minimum required yard may be reduced by special exception upon consideration of the following: (i) there is no detriment to the abutting lot; (ii) there is no harm to the public health, safety or welfare; and (iii) written consent has been provided by the owner of the abutting lot consenting to the reduction.
2. *Existing permanent structures.* If an existing permanent structure does not satisfy any minimum yard requirement under subsection 5.1.47(c)(1), the minimum yard required shall be the distance between the existing permanent structure and the street, road, access easement or lot line on May 5, 2010 and that distance shall not be thereafter reduced. An enlargement or expansion of the structure shall be no closer to a street, road, access easement or lot line than the existing structure.

d. *Parking.* Notwithstanding any provision of section 4.12, the following minimum parking requirements shall apply to a farm stand or farmers' market:

1. *Number of spaces.* Each use shall provide one (1) parking space per two hundred (200) square feet of retail area.
2. *Location.* No parking space shall be located closer than ten (10) feet to any public street right-of-way.

- 3. *Design and improvements.* In conjunction with each request for approval of a zoning clearance, the zoning administrator shall identify the applicable parking design and improvements required that are at least the minimum necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare by providing safe ingress and egress to and from the site, safe vehicular and pedestrian circulation on the site, and the control of dust as deemed appropriate in the context of the use. The zoning administrator shall consult with the county engineer, who shall advise the zoning administrator as to the minimum design and improvements. Compliance with the identified parking design and improvements shall be a condition of approval of the zoning clearance.

e. In addition to the foregoing, by right farmers’ markets shall also comply with the following:

1. Times farmers’ markets are not permitted. A property may not host a farmers’ market:

(a) More than twice in any week.

(b) When the primary use of the property is occurring.

2. Lights. No lighting shall be permitted at farmers’ markets.

3. Sound. No amplified sound shall be permitted at farmers’ markets.

4. Site Plans. By right farmers’ markets shall only be permitted on properties with site plans approved pursuant to section 32 of this chapter. On-site parking at farmers’ markets shall only be permitted in parking shown on the approved site plan.

(§ 5.1.19, 12-10-80; Ord. 01-18(6), 10-3-01; §5.1.35, Ord. 95-20(3), 10-11-95; § 5.1.36, Ord. 95-20(4), 10-11-95; § 5.1.47, Ord 10-18(4), 5-5-10; Ord. 14-18(4), 11-12-14; Ord. 17-18(3), 8-9-17)

.....

**Article III. District Regulations**

**Section 10. Rural Areas District, RA**

.....

**Sec. 10.2 Permitted uses.**

**Sec. 10.2.1 By right.**

The following uses shall be permitted by right in the RA district, subject to the applicable requirements of this chapter:

- 1. Detached single-family dwellings, including guest cottages and rental of the same; provided that yard, area and other requirements of section 10.4, conventional development by right, shall be met for each such use whether or not such use is on an individual lot subject to section 10.3.
- 2. Side-by-side duplexes subject to the provisions of section 10.4; provided that density is maintained and provided that buildings are located so that each unit could be provided with a lot meeting all other requirements for detached single-family dwellings except for side yards at the common wall. Other two-family dwellings shall be permitted provided density is maintained.
- 3. Agriculture, forestry, and fishery uses except as otherwise expressly provided.
- 4. Game preserves, wildlife sanctuaries and fishery uses.

5. (Repealed 5-5-10)
6. Water, sewer, energy, communications distribution facilities (reference 5.1.12).
7. Accessory uses and buildings including major home occupations (reference 5.2A), minor home occupations (reference 5.2A), and storage buildings.
8. Temporary construction uses (reference 5.1.18).
9. Public uses (reference 5.1.12).
10. Temporary sawmill (reference 5.1.15 and subject to performance standards in 4.14).
11. Veterinary services - off-site treatment only.
12. Agricultural service occupation (subject to performance standards in 4.14).
13. Divisions of land in accordance with section 10.3.
14. Bed and breakfast (reference 5.1.48).
15. Manufactured homes, individual, qualifying under the following requirements (reference 5.6):
  - a. A property owner residing on the premises in a permanent home wishes to place a manufactured home on such property in order to maintain a full-time agricultural employee.
  - b. Due to the destruction of a permanent home an emergency exists. A permit can be issued in this event not to exceed twelve (12) months. The Zoning Administrator shall be authorized to issue permits in accordance with the intent of this ordinance and shall be authorized to require or seek any information which he may determine necessary in making a determination of cases "a" and "b" of the aforementioned uses.
16. Temporary manufactured home in accordance with section 5.7.
17. Farm winery uses, events, and activities authorized by section 5.1.25(a),(b), and (c)(2).
18. Borrow area, borrow pit, not exceeding an aggregate volume of fifty thousand (50,000) cubic yards including all borrow pits and borrow areas on any one parcel of record on the adoption date of this provision (reference 5.1.28).
19. Manufactured homes on individual lots (reference 5.6).
20. Commercial stable (reference 5.1.03).
21. Stormwater management facilities shown on an approved final site plan or subdivision plat
22. Tier I and Tier II personal wireless service facilities (reference 5.1.40).
23. Farm worker housing, Class A (up to ten occupants and up to two sleeping structures) (reference 5.1.44).
24. County store, Class A (reference 5.1.45).

- 25. Small wind turbines (reference 5.1.46).
- 26. (Repealed 11-12-14)
- 27. Farm stands (reference 5.1.47).
- 28. Family day homes (reference 5.1.56).
- 29. Farm brewery uses, events, and activities authorized by section 5.1.57(a), (b), and (c)(2).
- 30. Events and activities at agricultural operations authorized by right under section 5.1.58(d).
- 31. Farm distillery uses, events, and activities authorized by section 5.1.59(a), (b), and (c)(2).
- 32. Group home (reference 5.1.07).
- 33. Farmers' markets (reference 5.1.47).

(§ 20-10.2.1, 12-10-80; 12-16-81; 7-6-83; 11-1-89; 11-8-89; 11-11-92; 5-12-93; Ord. 95-20(5), 11-15-95; § 18-10.2.1, Ord. 98-A(1), 8-5-98; Ord. 02-18(6), 10-9-02; Ord 04-18(2), 10-13-04; Ord. 06-18(2), 12-13-06; Ord. 08-18(7), 11-12-08; Ord. 09-18(11), 12-10-09; Ord. 10-18(3), 5-5-10; Ord. 10-18(4), 5-5-10; Ord. 11-18(1), 1-12-11; Ord. 12-18(3), 6-6-12; Ord. 13-18(5), 9-11-13; Ord. 14-18(4), 11-12-14; Ord. 15-18(10), 12-9-15; Ord. 17-18(1), 1-18-17; Ord. 17-18(4), 8-9-17; Ord. 18-18(1), 1-10-18)

.....

### **Article III. District Regulations**

#### **Section 11. Monticello Historic District, MHD**

.....

##### **Sec. 11.3 Permitted uses.**

The following uses shall be permitted in the MHD, subject to the regulations in this section and section 8 of this chapter, the approved application plan, and any accepted proffers:

##### **Sec. 11.3.1 By right.**

The following uses shall be permitted by right in the MHD:

- 1. Uses relating to the operation of Monticello as a historic house museum and historic site as follows:
  - a. Interpretative, educational and research uses such as tours; interpretive signs, walking paths, displays and exhibits; classes, workshops, lectures, programs and demonstrations; field schools and history-related day camps; and archaeological laboratories.
  - b. Administrative and support activities including visitor ticketing and shuttle bus operations, maintenance operations, equipment storage, vehicle maintenance and refueling, security and general administration, and related support spaces and offices.
  - c. Visitor amenities including: parking lots; travelways; public restrooms; food and drink preparation and vending; picnic areas; walking paths and pedestrian bridges.

- d. Display and sale of products related to Thomas Jefferson and the history of Monticello.
  - e. Fundraising activities and cultivation and stewardship events for the public and/or contributors, subject to section 11.5.
  - f. Other uses not expressly delineated in subsection 1(a) through (d) authorized by the zoning administrator after consultation with the director of planning and other appropriate officials; provided that the use shall be consistent with the express purpose and intent of the MHD, similar to the uses delineated in this subsection in character, locational requirements, operational characteristics, visual impact, and traffic generation.
2. Temporary events related to or supportive of the historic, educational or civic significance of Monticello, such as, but not limited to the Naturalization Ceremony on the Fourth of July, Thomas Jefferson's Birthday celebration, summer speakers series, presidential inaugural events, the Heritage Harvest Festival, wine festivals, community hiking and racing events, musical performances and concerts, and commemorative events similar to the Lewis and Clark bicentennial, subject to section 11.5.
  3. Display and sale of gifts, souvenirs, crafts, food, and horticultural and agricultural products, including outdoor storage and display of horticultural and agricultural products.
  4. Establishment and changes to structures shown on the approved application plan:
    - a. Modification, improvement, expansion, or demolition of "modern structures" existing on the effective date of this section 11.
    - b. Modification, improvement, re-creation, or restoration (including expansion) of "historic or interpretive structures."
    - c. Establishment of "new primary structures or features" identified as such on the approved application plan.
  5. Cemeteries.
  6. Detached single-family dwellings, including guest cottages and rental of the same.
  7. Side-by-side duplexes; provided that density is maintained and provided that buildings are located so that each unit could be provided with a lot meeting all other requirements for detached single-family dwellings except for side yards at the common wall. Other two-family dwellings shall be permitted provided density is maintained.
  8. Agriculture, forestry, and fishery uses except as otherwise expressly provided.
  9. Game preserves, wildlife sanctuaries and fishery uses.
  10. Water, sewer, energy, communications distribution facilities (reference 5.1.12).
  11. Accessory uses and structures including home occupation, Class A (reference 5.2) and storage buildings.
  12. Temporary construction uses (reference 5.1.18).
  13. Public uses (reference 5.1.12).

14. Temporary sawmill (reference 5.1.15 and subject to performance standards in 4.14).
15. Agricultural service occupation (subject to performance standards in 4.14).
16. Divisions of land in accordance with section 10.3.
17. (Repealed 4-7-11)
18. Manufactured homes, individual, qualifying under the following requirements (reference 5.6):
  - a. A property owner residing on the premises in a permanent home wishes to place a manufactured home on such property in order to maintain a full-time agricultural employee.
  - b. Due to the destruction of a permanent home an emergency exists. A permit can be issued in this event not to exceed twelve (12) months. The Zoning Administrator shall be authorized to issue permits in accordance with the intent of this ordinance and shall be authorized to require or seek any information which he may determine necessary in making a determination of cases “a” and “b” of the aforementioned uses.
19. Farm winery uses, events, and activities authorized by section 5.1.25(a), (b), and (c)(2).
20. Borrow area, borrow pit, not exceeding an aggregate volume of fifty thousand (50,000) cubic yards including all borrow pits and borrow areas on any one parcel of record on the adoption date of this provision (reference 5.1.28).
21. Commercial stable (reference 5.1.03).
22. Stormwater management facilities shown on an approved final site plan or subdivision plat.
23. Tier I and Tier II personal wireless service facilities (reference 5.1.40).
24. Monticello scholar residences, which shall be private lodging accommodations in dwellings for educators, academic fellows or scholars working on Jefferson related research and/or programs, Thomas Jefferson Foundation program and event participants, persons directly engaged in the programming, research, or operation of Monticello as a historic museum and historic site, and for a sole caretaker.
25. (Repealed 11-12-14)
26. Farm stands (reference 5.1.47).
27. Events that are typically conducted on a single day, but which may be conducted for up to three (3) consecutive days, for which attendance is permitted only by invitation or reservation including, but not limited to, meetings, conferences, banquets, dinners, weddings, wedding receptions, and private parties, subject to section 11.5.
28. Farm brewery uses, events, and activities authorized by section 5.1.57(a), (b), and (c)(2).
29. Events and activities at agricultural operations authorized by right under section 5.1.58(d).
30. Farm distillery uses, events, and activities authorized by section 5.1.59(a), (b), and (c)(2).

31. Farmers' markets (reference 5.1.47).

(§ 18-11.3.1, Ord. 05-18(5), 6-8-05; Ord. 08-18(2), 5-7-08; Ord. 10-18(4), 5-5-10; Ord. 11-18(4), 4-6-11; Ord. 14-18(4), 11-12-14; Ord. 15-18(10), 12-9-15; Ord. 17-18(1), 1-18-17; Ord. 18-18(1), 1-10-18)

.....

**Article III. District Regulations**

**Section 12. Village Residential District, VR**

.....

**Sec. 12.2 Permitted uses.**

**Sec. 12.2.1 By right.**

The following uses shall be permitted by right in the VR district, subject to the applicable requirements of this chapter:

1. Detached single-family dwellings.
2. Side-by-side duplexes provided that density is maintained and provided further that buildings are located so that each unit could be provided with a lot meeting all other requirements for detached single-family dwellings except for side yards at the common wall. Other two-family dwellings shall be permitted provided density is maintained.
3. Cluster development of permitted residential uses.
4. Rental of permitted residential uses and guest cottages, provided that yard, area and other requirements of this ordinance shall be met for each such use whether or not such use is on an individual lay-out.
5. (Repealed 9-2-81)
6. Electric, gas, oil and communication facilities, excluding tower structures and including poles, lines, transformers, pipes, meters and related facilities for distribution of local service and owned and operated by a public utility. Water distribution and sewerage collection lines, pumping stations and appurtenances owned and operated by the Albemarle County Service Authority. Except as otherwise expressly provided, central water supplies and central sewerage systems in conformance with Chapter 16 of the Code of Albemarle and all other applicable law. (Amended 5-12-93)
7. Accessory uses and buildings including home occupation, Class A (reference 5.2) and storage buildings.
8. Temporary construction uses (reference 5.1.18).
9. Public uses and buildings including temporary or mobile facilities such as schools, offices, parks, playgrounds and roads funded, owned or operated by local, state or federal agencies (reference 31.2.5); public water and sewer transmission, main or trunk lines, treatment facilities, pumping stations and the like, owned and/or operated by the Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority (reference 31.2.5; 5.1.12). (Amended 11-1-89)
10. Tourist lodgings (reference 5.1.17).



- 11. Wayside stands for the display and sale of seasonal agricultural products (reference 5.1.19).
- 12. Group home (reference 5.1.07).
- 13. Agriculture.
- 14. Manufactured homes on individual lots (reference 5.6)
- 15. Stormwater management facilities shown on an approved final site plan or subdivision plat.
- 16. Tier I and Tier II personal wireless service facilities (reference 5.1.40).
- 17. Farm sales (reference 5.1.47).
- 18. Farm stands (reference 5.1.47).
- 19. Family day homes (reference 5.1.56).
- 20. Farmers’ markets (reference 5.1.47).

(§ 20-12.2.1, 12-10-80; 9-2-81; 11-1-89; 11-11-92; § 18-12.2.1, Ord. 98-A(1), 8-5-98; Ord. 02-18(6), 10-9-02; Ord. 04-18(2), 10-13-04; Ord. 10-18(4), 5-5-10; Ord. 13-18(5), 9-11-13; Ord. 17-18(4), 8-9-17; Ord. 18-18(1), 1-10-18)

.....

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 \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Clerk, Board of County Supervisors

	Aye	Nay
Mr. Dill	_____	_____
Mr. Gallaway	_____	_____
Ms. Mallek	_____	_____
Ms. McKeel	_____	_____
Ms. Palmer	_____	_____
Mr. Randolph	_____	_____