

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2012 ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF
WALNUT GROVE, GEORGIA

THE MAYOR AND THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WALNUT GROVE HEREBY
ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Article I.

The following Section of the 2012 Zoning Ordinance for the City of Walnut Grove (As Amended) is hereby amended with Amendment # 3 of said zoning ordinance by deleting said Section in its entirety and substituting the following in lieu thereof:

ARTICLE X: PLANNING COMMISSION

SEE THE ATTACHED “**EXHIBIT A**” FOR THE COMPLETE TEXT OF THE ABOVE-REFERENCED SECTION OF THE 2012 ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF WALNUT GROVE (AS AMENDED)

Article II.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Article III.

This ordinance shall take effect from and after its adoption by the Mayor and Council of the City of Walnut Grove, Georgia.

FIRST READING. This 9th day of July, 2020.

SECOND READING AND ADOPTED. This 13th day of August, 2020.

CITY OF WALNUT GROVE, GEORGIA

By: _____ (SEAL)

Steven Mark Moore, Mayor

Attest: _____ (SEAL)

Tangee Puckett, City Clerk

EXHIBIT A

**2012 ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF WALNUT GROVE (AS AMENDED)
THIRD AMENDMENT
ADOPTED AUGUST 13, 2020**

ARTICLE X: PLANNING COMMISSION

Sec. 1000. - Creation; purpose.

In order to guide and accomplish a coordinated and harmonious development of the City of Walnut Grove, which will, in accordance with existing and future needs, best promote the public health, safety, morals, order, convenience, prosperity, and the general welfare, as well as efficiency and economy in the process of development, the Walnut Grove Planning and Zoning Commission, hereinafter referred to as the planning commission, is hereby created and established.

Sec. 1001. - Membership.

The planning commission shall consist of five (5) members, who shall be residents of the City, appointed by the mayor and city council. The terms of the members shall be for five (5) years. Any vacancy in membership shall be filled for the unexpired term by the council who shall also have the authority to remove any member for cause, on written charges, after a public hearing. All members shall serve with compensation as set by the mayor and city council.

Sec. 1002. - Organization; rules.

The planning commission shall elect its chairperson from among its members. The term of the chairperson shall be for one (1) year, and he or she shall be eligible for reelection for consecutive terms. The planning commission shall make its own rules of procedure and determine its time of meeting. Meetings of the planning commission shall be open to the public, properly advertised and noticed and all records of the planning commission shall be a public record. The planning commission shall have the right to hold executive sessions as permitted by state law.

Sec. 1003. - Staff, finances.

The mayor and city council may appoint such employees and staff as it may deem necessary for the work of the planning commission. The expenditures of the planning commission, exclusive of donations, shall be within the amounts appropriated for the purpose by the mayor and city council.

Sec. 1004. - Powers and duties.

- (a) The planning commission shall act in an advisory capacity to the city council, and in that capacity shall prepare and recommend for adoption to the council:
- (1) A master plan or parts thereof for the development of the city;
 - (2) A zoning ordinance or resolution and map for the city;

- (3) Regulations for the subdivision of land within the city and administer the regulations that may be adopted; and
 - (4) A plat or plats of an official map showing the exact location of the boundary lines of existing, proposed, extended, widened or narrowed streets, public open spaces or public building sites, together with regulations within such lines, within the city or a specified portion thereof.
- (b) It shall be the duty of the planning commission to make such careful and comprehensive surveys and studies of existing conditions and probable future developments as necessary to perform the functions set out in subsection (a) of this section.