AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING THE CHARLESTON COUNTY ZONING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ORDINANCE, NUMBER 1202, AS AMENDED, CHAPTER 5, OVERLAY AND SPECIAL PURPOSE ZONING DISTRICTS.

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Local Government Comprehensive Planning Enabling Act of 1994, Section 6-29-310 et seq., of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended, authorizes the County of Charleston to enact or amend its zoning and land development regulations to guide development in accordance with existing and future needs and in order to protect, promote and improve the public health, safety, and general welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Charleston County Planning Commission has reviewed the proposed amendments of the text of various chapters of the Charleston County Zoning and Land Development Regulations Ordinance (ZLDR) in accordance with the procedures established in South Carolina law and the ZLDR and has recommended that the Charleston County Council (County Council) adopt the proposed amendments of the text of the ZLDR as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of the recommendation of the Planning Commission, County Council held at least one public hearing, and after close of the public hearing, County Council approved the proposed text amendments based on the Approval Criteria of Section 3.3.6 of Article 3.3 of the ZLDR; and

WHEREAS, County Council has determined the proposed text amendments meet the following criteria:
A. The proposed amendment corrects an error or inconsistency or meets the challenge of a changing condition;

B. The proposed amendment is consistent with the adopted Charleston County Comprehensive Plan and goals as stated in Article 1.5; and

C. The proposed amendment is to further the public welfare in any other regard specified by County Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, be ordained it by the Charleston County Council, in meeting duly assembled, as follows:

SECTION I. FINDINGS INCORPORATED

The above recitals and findings are incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION II. AMENDMENT OF THE TEXT OF THE ZONING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ORDINANCE

The Charleston County Zoning and Land Development Regulations Ordinance is hereby amended to include the text amendments attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and made part of this Ordinance by reference.

SECTION III. SEVERABILITY

If, for any reason, any part of this Ordinance is invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION IV. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately following third reading by County Council.
ADOPTED and APPROVED in meeting duly assembled this 18th day of December, 2014.

CHARLESTON COUNTY COUNCIL

By: ____________________________
Teddie E. Pryor, Sr.
Chairman of Charleston County Council

ATTEST:

By: ____________________________
Beverly T. Craven
Clerk to Charleston County Council

First Reading: November 18, 2014
Second Reading: December 9, 2014
Third Reading: December 18, 2014
EXHIBIT “A”

AMENDING THE CHARLESTON COUNTY ZONING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ORDINANCE, NUMBER 1202, AS AMENDED: CHAPTER 5, OVERLAY AND SPECIAL PURPOSE ZONING DISTRICTS.
§5.6.6 DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS (ALL AREAS)
The following development standards and requirements apply to all parcels within the Folly Road Corridor Overlay Zoning District in addition to the requirements described below for each of the five Areas. All non-single family detached development applications shall, at the time application is made, provide proof that the following requirements will be met prior to the issuance of any approvals or zoning permits:

G. Noise
All Activity must comply with the Charleston County Livability Ordinance. There shall be no pick-up or delivery of trash or merchandise scheduled for businesses in these areas between the hours of 11:00 pm and 7:00 am. Any proposed outdoor use that provides live or amplified music shall comply with the Special Exception provisions contained in this Ordinance.

H. Multiple Use Overlay Zoning District
Parcels that meet the criteria of Article 5.8, MU-O Multiple Use Overlay Zoning District, may be developed in accordance with that Article.

§5.6.9 SOUTH VILLAGE AREA
(City of Charleston, Town of James Island, and Charleston County)
The South Village area extends from Prescott Street to South Grimball Rd / Grimball Rd. Ext. as illustrated on the FRC-O map entitled “South Village Area.” Parcels in this Area are within the jurisdiction of the Town of James Island and the City of Charleston, and unincorporated Charleston County. This Area currently consists of mixed medium to high intensity commercial development, such as shopping centers big box stores and consumer services, along the west side of Folly Road and primarily small scale office and residential uses along the east side of Folly Road. This Area is intended for development similar to the North Village Area with less intense commercial development than the Commercial Core Area and a mix of medium to high intensity uses along the west side of Folly Road and lower intensity development on the east side of Folly Road. Future development in this Area is to be a mix of commercial and residential uses with increased right-of-way buffers along the west side of Folly Road and increased land use buffers on both sides of Folly Road when commercial development occurs adjacent to single family detached residential uses. The following regulations apply in addition to the requirements of Section 5.6.6 of this Article to unincorporated parcels along Folly Road as indicated on the map titled “South Village Area”:

A. Permitted uses
Permitted uses shall include those uses allowed in the zoning district(s) that corresponds with the “R”, “OR”, “CN,” and “CC” future land use designation as shown on the overlay zoning district map and as described in Table 6.1.1. Use Table. Civic and institutional uses as described in Table 6.1.1 shall be permitted for properties shown in the Civic/Institutional future land use designation.

B. Prohibited uses
Auto Dealers (New and Used) Billboards, Indoor/Outdoor Shooting Ranges,
Liquor, Hotels or Motels (greater than ten rooms) and Tattoo parlors shall be prohibited in this Area.

C. Uses Requiring Special Exception
Vehicle Storage, Boat/RV Storage, Bar or Lounge, Consumer Vehicle Repair, Fast Food Restaurant, Gasoline Service Stations (with or without convenience stores), Indoor Recreation and Entertainment, Consumer Vehicle Repair uses shall require Special Exception approval in compliance with the procedures contained in this Ordinance.

D. Buffers

1. A minimum 15-foot vegetated right-of-way buffer shall be required along the east side of Folly Road and a minimum 35-foot vegetated right-of-way buffer shall be required along the west side of Folly Road;

2. A minimum 20-foot vegetated rear buffer shall be required adjacent to residential uses; and

3. Fencing may be required to screen adjacent or surrounding residential uses. When a minimum 6-foot high opaque fence or wall is utilized, the Planning Director may reduce the land use buffer by up to one-half (1/2) its required depth when deemed appropriate; however, no required vegetated buffer shall be less than 10 feet in depth.