

Debora Diaz, Town Manager Town of Kill Devil Hills 102 Town Hall Drive Kill Devil Hills, NC 27948 CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED and electronically: debbie@kdhnc.com

Re: Certification of Town of Kill Devil Hills CAMA Land Use Plan Update

Dear Mayor Sproul and Ms. Diaz:

Please find enclosed the written Final Agency Decision granting the Town of Kill Devil Hills' request for certification of its Land Use Plan Update. Let me know if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Braxton C. Davis, Director

NC Division of Coastal Management

cc via email: M. Renee Cahoon, Chair

Mary L. Lucasse, Commission Counsel

Charlan Owens, AICP, Elizabeth City District Planner



IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATION OF THE TOWN OF KILL DEVIL HILLS LAND USE PLAN

# FINAL AGENCY DECISION

#### **FACTS**

- 1. This is the Town of Kill Devil Hills CAMA Land Use Plan Update adopted September 14, 2020 by the Town of Kill Devil Hills ("Land Use Plan Update").
- 2. The Town of Kill Devil Hills is located in Dare County and is bounded by the Town of Kitty Hawk to the north, the Atlantic Ocean to the east, and the Town of Nags Head to the south. To the west, the Town is bounded by Kitty Hawk Bay, Colington Creek, unincorporated Colington in Dare County, Buzzard Bay, and the Roanoke Sound.
- 3. As of 2016, the estimated permanent population of Kill Devil Hills was 6,948 persons and the estimated peak population was 35,852 persons.
- 4. The Town of Kill Devil Hills is requesting certification of the Land Use Plan Update which can be found at <a href="https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/coastal-management/coastal-management-land-use-planning/certified-lups/dare-county">https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/coastal-management/coastal-management/coastal-management-land-use-planning/certified-lups/dare-county</a>. The Land Use Plan Update replaces the 1997 Town of Kill Devil Hills Land Use Plan Update certified by the Coastal Resources Commission on March 24, 2000.
- 5. The Land Use Plan Update supports the Town's vision for a community characterized by a variety of residential and commercial development types serving year-round residents and seasonal visitors, undisturbed natural areas such as the Fresh Pond and maritime forest, and major tourist attractions including the nationally significant Wright Brothers National

Memorial, the Atlantic Ocean, and adjacent waters, while also addressing public beach and waterfront access, land use compatibility, infrastructure carrying capacity, natural hazard areas and water quality.

- 6. A duly advertised public hearing on the Land Use Plan Update was held on September 14, 2020. No comments were received at the public hearing.
- 7. The Town of Kill Devil Hills adopted the Land Use Plan Update by resolution on September 14, 2020. The public had the opportunity to provide written comments on the plan to the Division of Coastal Management up to thirty (30) calendar days after local adoption. No comments were received.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. The Town of Kill Devil Hills CAMA Land Use Plan Update ("Land Use Plan Update") has met the substantive requirements outlined within the Land Use Planning Requirements effective February 1, 2016.
- 2. There are no conflicts evident in the Land Use Plan Update with either state or federal law or the State's Coastal Management Program.
- 3. The elected body of the Town of Kill Devil Hills made a final decision on the contents of the Land Use Plan Update and provided opportunity for the public to provide written comment following local adoption of the plan, as required by N.C.G.S. § 113A-110 and 15A NCAC 7B .0802 and .0803, and the Land Use Plan Update was submitted to the NC Division of Coastal Management Commission without written objection or comment from the public.

4. During its regularly scheduled meeting on November 7-8, 2017, the North Carolina Coastal Resources Commission delegated to the Director of the North Carolina Division of Coastal Management, Department of Environmental Quality, its authority to approve Land Use Plans pursuant to N.C.G.S. §113A-110(f). The conditions under which the delegation was made are included in the November 20, 2017 letter to Braxton Davis, Director from Commission Chair Renee Cahoon. Pursuant to that delegation, the undersigned makes the following decision.

#### **DECISION**

For the reasons stated herein, the Town of Kill Devil Hills' request for certification of the Town of Kill Devil Hills CAMA Land Use Plan Update ("Land Use Plan Update") is GRANTED.

Braxton C. Davis, Director

N.C. Division of Coastal Management

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that I have served a copy of the attached **Final Agency Decision** to the Town of Kill Devil Hills and the North Carolina Coastal Resources Commission by the means specified below:

# **Method of Service**

Mayor Ben Sproul Town of Kill Devil Hills 908 Sixth Avenue Kill Devil Hills, NC 27948

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Debora Diaz, Town Manager Town of Kill Devil Hills 102 Town Hall Drive Kill Devil Hills, NC 27948

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M. Renee Cahoon, Chair Coastal Resources Commission Electronically: Renee.Cahoon@ncdenr.gov

Mary L. Lucasse Commission Counsel NC Coastal Resources Commission PO Box 629 Raleigh, NC 27602

Electronically: mlucasse@ncdoj.gov

This is the  $\frac{5}{100}$  th day of  $\frac{100}{100}$  2020.

Angela Willis, Assistant to the Director



ROY COOPER Governor MICHAEL S. REGAN Secretary **BRAXTON C. DAVIS** Director

Braxton Recommend Certofication.
10/27/20

# **MEMORANDUM**

To:

Mike Lopazanski, DCM Deputy Director

cc:

Tancred Miller, DCM Policy and Planning Section Chief

From:

Charlan Owens, AICP, DCM Elizabeth City District Planner

Date:

October 20, 2020

Certification of the Town of Kill Devil Hills CAMA Land Use Plan Update Subject:

Recommendation: CERTIFICATION of the Town of Kill Devil Hills CAMA Land Use Plan Update based on the determination that the document has met the substantive requirements outlined within the 7B Land Use Plan Guidelines and that there are no conflicts evident with either state or federal law or the State's Coastal Management Program.

Overview: The Town of Kill Devil Hills is located in Dare County and is bounded by the Town of Kitty Hawk to the north, the Atlantic Ocean to the east, and the Town of Nags Head to the south. To the west, it is bounded by Kitty Hawk Bay, Colington Creek, unincorporated Colington in Dare County, Buzzard Bay, and the Roanoke Sound.

The 2016 estimate of permanent population in Kill Devil Hills was 6,948 persons. The peak population (permanent plus seasonal) was estimated at 35,852 persons.

According to the Town's vision statement, it will continue to be a community characterized by a variety of residential and commercial development types to serve year-round residents and seasonal visitors, undisturbed natural areas such as the Fresh Pond and maritime forest, and major tourist attractions including the nationally significant Wright Brothers National Memorial, the Atlantic Ocean, and adjacent waters. Related local goals, policies and actions are included in the plan.

The Town of Kill Devil Hills held a duly advertised public hearing and unanimously adopted the plan at their regularly scheduled meeting on September 14, 2020.

The public was provided the opportunity to submit written comments on the plan to the Division of Coastal Management up to thirty (30) days after the date of local adoption (October 14th). No written comments or objections were received.



The locally adopted <u>Town of Kill Devil Hills CAMA Land Use Plan Update</u> can be viewed at: <a href="https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/coastal-management/coastal-management-land-use-planning/certified-lups/dare-county">https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/coastal-management/coastal-management-land-use-planning/certified-lups/dare-county</a>

The document file includes an organizational matrix (.pdf Pages 7-10) that indicates where the CRC's rules have been met in the document. Policy statements and associated implementation actions are located on .pdf Pages 95-104. The Future Land Use Map is located on .pdf Page 89 and the associated Future Land Use Category descriptions are located on .pdf Pages 87-88.

None of the policies are intended to exceed the use standards and permitting requirements for Areas of Environmental Concern (AECs).

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# TOWN OF KILL DEVIL HILLS

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#### RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF KILL DEVIL HILLS, NORTH CAROLINA, ADOPTING THE TOWN'S CAMA LAND USE PLAN UPDATE

WHEREAS, from December 2017 through March 2020, the Town drafted a Coastal Area Management Act (CAMA) Land Use Plan Update with the assistance of its consultant, Holland Consulting Planners, Inc., and conducted a series of public workshops and meetings as part of a comprehensive public participation program under the leadership of the Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, on July 21, 2020, the Planning Board recommended adoption of the draft CAMA Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, at a duly advertised Regular Meeting on September 14, 2020, the Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on the draft CAMA Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, at the Regular Meeting on September 14, 2020, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina, found the policies and Future Land Use Map in the draft CAMA Land Use Plan to be consistent with the Town's desired vision for the future and unanimously approved to adopt the draft CAMA Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, the adopted Plan will be submitted as required by state law to the Northeast District Planner for the Division of Coastal Management under the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality and forwarded to the Coastal Resources Commission; and

WHEREAS, a review of the adopted Plan by the Coastal Resources Commission (CRC) will be scheduled; and the CRC will then vote on certification of the Town's CAMA Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, a certified Town of Kill Devil Hills CAMA Land Use Plan Update will be forwarded to the Office for Coastal Management for federal approval.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Commissioners for the Town of Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina, has unanimously adopted the draft CAMA Land Use Plan Update; and

<b>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED</b> the authorized to submit the adopted CAMA L			
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ATTEST:

James Michael O'Dell, Deputy Town Clerk

# Willis, Angela

From:

Willis, Angela

Sent:

Thursday, November 05, 2020 1:32 PM

To:

debbie@kdhnc.com

Cc:

Renee Cahoon; Lucasse, Mary; Owens, Charlan; Braxton Davis

Subject:

Kill Devil Hills Land Use Plan Request for Certification

**Attachments:** 

Kill Devil Hills LUP Update.pdf

Good afternoon Ms. Diaz,

Please find attached a copy of the Final Agency Decision granting the Town of Kill Devil Hills' request for certification of its Land Use Plan Update. The originals were sent out in the USPS today.

Have a great afternoon, Angela

Angela Willis, Asst. to the Director NC Division of Coastal Management NC Department of Environmental Quality 400 Commerce Avenue Morehead City, NC 28557 (252) 808-2808 ext. 201



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