AMENDING CHAPTER 30 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GREENSBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES WITH RESPECT TO ZONING, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SECTION 30-1-10

WHEREAS, the City Council directed City Staff to update the existing comprehensive plan, Connections 2025, with a new comprehensive plan;

WHEREAS, Session Law 2019-111 which establishes the new Chapter 160D of the North Carolina General Statutes will require that municipalities that adopt and apply zoning regulations also adopt and reasonably maintain a comprehensive plan;

WHEREAS, City staff undertook significant research and public input to create *GSO2040* as the intended comprehensive plan for the City of Greensboro, in a process which featured over 160 opportunities to get public input and gathered over 6,500 comments;

WHEREAS, an Advisory Committee composed of representatives from each of Greensboro's Boards and Commissions, and chaired by Council Member Justin Outling was established to provide feedback on Plan contents and advise and assist with public outreach;

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2020 the Planning Board held a public hearing and voted unanimously in support of adoption of the Plan;

WHEREAS, due to the time it will take to adopt ordinance, policy and practice changes necessary to implement the *GSO2040* Plan, the Planning Department recommends that the effective date of the plan be delayed and that rezoning and original zoning applications for consideration by the Zoning Commission or City Council are not subject to the provisions of Section 30-4-3, Comprehensive Plan Amendments, of the Land Development Ordinance effective immediately; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA, that Chapter 30 of the City Code of the City of Greensboro is amended as follows:

- Section 1. The Plan developed and presented to City Council at its June 16, 2020, Council meeting and known as *GSO2040* is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference into the City Code as written and amended in accordance with the instruction of City Council as set forth at that meeting.
- Section 2. All ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.
- Section 3. This ordinance shall become effective on September 1, 2020.
- Section 4. Effective upon adoption, rezoning and original zoning applications for consideration by the Zoning Commission or City Council are not subject to the provisions of Section 30-4-3, Comprehensive Plan Amendments, of the Land

Development Ordinance, and any original zoning or zoning amendments shall be reviewed for consistency with the proposed *GSO2040* Plan such that the City remains compliant with North Carolina General Statutes Section 160A-383.