ORDINANCE NO. 15-067 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, in accordance with Article 19, Chapter 160A, of the General Statutes of North Carolina, caused a public notice to be given and published once a week for two successive weeks in The Daily Reflector setting forth that the City Council would, on December 10, 2015, at 6:00 p.m., in the City Council Chambers of City Hall in the City of Greenville, NC, conduct a public hearing on the adoption of an ordinance amending the City Code; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 160A-383, the City Council of the City of Greenville does hereby find and determine that the adoption of the ordinance involving the text amendment is consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan and other officially adopted plans that are applicable and that the adoption of the ordinance involving the text amendment is reasonable and in the public interest due to its consistency with the comprehensive plan and other officially adopted plans that are applicable and, as a result, its furtherance of the goals and objectives of the comprehensive plan and other officially adopted plans that are applicable;

WHEREAS, as a further description as to why the action taken is consistent with the comprehensive plan and other officially adopted plans that are applicable in compliance with the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 160A-383, the City Council of the City of Greenville does hereby find and determine that the adoption of this ordinance is consistent with provisions of the comprehensive plan including, but not limited to, Horizons: Greenville's Community Plan, Urban Form and Land Use Element, Objective UF8 to enhance the appearance of highway and gateway corridors; and

WHEREAS, as a further explanation as to why the action taken is reasonable and in the public interest in compliance with the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 160A-383, the City Council of the City of Greenville does hereby find and determine that the adoption of this ordinance will, in addition to the furtherance of other goals and objectives, attract new businesses;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN:

<u>Section 1:</u> That Title 9, Chapter 4, Section 9-4-86(B), of the Code of Ordinances, City of Greenville, North Carolina, is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (B) Major or minor repair facilities.
 - (1) All wrecked or damaged motor vehicles and parts shall be screened so as not to be visible from adjoining property lines and street right-of-way.

- (2) All vehicles on the premises for repair shall be stored at the rear of the principal structure.
- (3) No vehicle shall be stored on the premises for more than 15 days.
- (4) There shall be no exterior storage of items other than vehicles and tires. Tires stored outside shall be in accordance with subsection (9) below.
- (5) Sale of vehicles shall be in accordance with section 9-4-22, definition of automobile, truck, recreational vehicle, motorcycle and boat sales, contained therein.
- (6) Rental or utility trailers, cars and trucks shall be permitted as accessory uses, provided that all units in excess of four shall be screened from adjoining street right-of-way and property lines in accordance with Bufferyard C or with a bufferyard of greater intensity as required by the bufferyard regulations.
- (7) Outdoor displays of products such as oil, wiper blades or other similar products shall be permitted provided they are within ten feet of the principal structure and outside required bufferyards. Signage displayed in conjunction with such display shall be in accordance with the sign regulations. A maximum of twenty four tires may be displayed outside. All tires displayed outside of buildings shall not be closer than ten feet from the principal structure and shall not be more than twenty feet from the principal structure and must be located outside of required bufferyards. All tires displayed outside of buildings shall comply with compliance requirements set forth in subsection (9)(h).
- (8) All services except fuel sales shall be performed within a completely enclosed building.
- (9) Tires stored outside must comply with the following standards to minimize their visual impact and reduce their potential as a public nuisance and fire hazard:
 - (a). The maximum area devoted to tire storage shall be limited to ten percent of the property area or twenty five percent of the building from which the business operates, whichever is less;
 - (b). The maximum number of tires stored outside shall not exceed three hundred;
 - (c). Tires must be stored behind required bufferyards and located where they are not visible from a street right-of-way or adjacent property through the installation of opaque fencing and/or landscaping or placement of tires behind buildings;
 - (d). All tires must be placed on racks in the upright position;
 - (e). There shall be a minimum separation of twenty feet between tire racks and property lines, street right-of-way, and buildings;

- (f). Rows of tire racks shall be separated from one another by a minimum of five feet;
- (g). The placement of tires stored outside shall be placed and maintained in accordance with this subsection (9) and the North Carolina Fire Code, as amended. The more restrictive provisions shall prevail between the NC Fire Code and tire storage standards of this article; and
- (h). Notwithstanding the provisions related to nonconforming uses and situations contained in Article C of this chapter, the requirements contained in this subsection (9) shall be applicable to all existing and future major and minor repair facilities.

<u>Section 2</u>. That any part or provision of this ordinance found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be in violation of the Constitution or laws of the United States or North Carolina is hereby deemed severable and shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of the ordinance.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 10th day of December, 2015.

Allen M. Thomas, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carol L. Barwick, City Clerk