



City of Ocean Springs

Press Release

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Ocean Springs To Hold Public Hearing for Adoption of the Unified Development Code

Ocean Springs, MS. – Following public meetings held April 12th and 19th, the DRAFT of the Unified Development Code (UDC) was updated May 14, 2018 and made available for comment on the city’s website at the web address listed at the bottom of this release.

Following review of comments received, the UDC is scheduled for Public Hearing in front of the Planning Commission on **Thursday, September 6, 2018 at 6:00pm**. The hearing will be held at the **Mary C. O’Keefe Cultural Center** – 1600 Government Street in Ocean Springs.

Written comments will continue to be accepted on the most current DRAFT document. In order to be provided to the Planning Commission prior to the hearing, all comments must be received in the Planning Department no later than 5pm, Friday, August 31, 2018. They can be submitted either:

- Via email to planningadmin@oceansprings-ms.gov with “UDC COMMENTS” in the reference line, OR
- Standard mail to: Attn: UDC Comments
 OS Planning Department
 PO Box 1800
 Ocean Springs, MS 39566

The purpose of the UDC is to consolidate and replace the current Zoning Ordinance Code and Subdivision Regulations that were first adopted in 1984. The UDC will update, streamline, and clarify these land development regulations while incorporating lessons learned and current development and regulatory issues. Elements of the UDC include but are not limited to: Zoning and subdivision regulations; development review procedures; landscaping and design standards; stormwater and floodplain management; roads and sidewalks; utility standards and the public approval process for development.

City residents and those that do business with the City are encouraged to review the Draft UDC and participate in the review and Public Hearing process. The current UDC Draft is available to view or download as a pdf document at: [UDC DRDAFT_08-22-18.pdf](#)

[http://assets.convergeapp.net/ClientSite/7685/Resources/UDC DRDAFT_08-22-18.pdf](http://assets.convergeapp.net/ClientSite/7685/Resources/UDC_DRDAFT_08-22-18.pdf)

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