

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 22 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BERKELEY LAKE TO ADD A NEW SENTENCE TO PROVIDE FOR EXPIRATION OF TREE PERMITS; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING LAWS; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Be it Ordained by the Council of the City of Berkeley Lake that the Code of Ordinances of the City of Berkeley Lake, Georgia, is hereby amended by adding a new sentence to provide for expiration of tree permits.

ARTICLE IV.

Existing Development, Construction and Remodeling on Individual Lots

Section 22-401

A tree removal permit must be issued by the OEO before the removal of any trees. **The permit shall be valid for ninety days.** Lot owners will maintain a minimum of 16 TDUs on each one-half acre of their property and are encouraged to plant and/or save as many trees as possible beyond that number. However, if the property does not have 16 TDUs for each one-half acre of property at the time of the cutting of any trees, the owner shall replace the removed trees with sufficient tree units so as to have the same number of TDUs as before the removal. Heritage trees should be preserved to the greatest extent possible. Trees in designated buffer areas may not be counted toward the tree density unit requirements of this Article. Homeowners are encouraged to plant trees, preferably selected from Appendix A.1 Canopy Tree List or Appendix A.2 Understory Tree List of this Article.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of any such conflict.

This ordinance shall be effective upon approval by the Council.

So Ordained, this _____ day of _____, 2006.

ATTEST:

Jackie Wall, City Clerk

Lois Salter, Mayor