

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT AND ZONING MAP RE-ADOPTION

Notice is hereby given that the City of Dallas, Georgia proposes to amend the Unified Development Code (UDC) to revise regulations governing the allowance and development standards for Places of Worship. The proposed amendment adds Places of Worship as a use permitted only by Special Exception in specified zoning districts and establishes development criteria including minimum lot size, street access, buffering, parking, and other performance standards. The purpose of this amendment is to bring the City's zoning regulations into compliance with applicable federal and state law, including the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act (RLUIPA) and the Georgia Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA), while preserving neighborhood character, managing traffic impacts, and protecting public health, safety, and welfare.

The City of Dallas also intends to re-adopt and reaffirm the Official Zoning Map of the City of Dallas to reflect administrative corrections and ensure consistency with the Unified Development Code. No changes to zoning districts, boundaries, or entitlements are proposed. The corrected zoning map is available for public inspection at City Hall during normal business hours.

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT

1. Planning Commission Public Hearing

The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider the proposed ordinance amendment and Zoning Map re-adoption as follows:

Date: Thursday, February 19, 2026 - Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Council Chambers, Dallas City Hall 129 E. Memorial Drive, Dallas, Georgia 30132

All interested parties are invited to attend and be heard.

2. City Council Public Hearing and Final Action

The Dallas City Council will conduct a public hearing and consider the proposed amendment for second reading and final adoption at its regularly scheduled meeting as follows:

Date: Monday, March 2, 2026 - Time: 5:15 PM

Location: Council Chambers, Dallas City Hall 129 E. Memorial Drive, Dallas, Georgia 30132

All interested persons may appear and be heard on this matter.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The proposed ordinance amendment is available for review during regular business hours at City Hall, 129 E. Memorial Drive, Dallas, Georgia 30132. Written comments may be submitted to the Community Development Department at any time prior to the public hearings.

For questions or additional information, please contact the Community Development Department at (770) 443-8110.