AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE RESIDENTIAL PARKING STANDARDS IN THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DUCK, NORTH CAROLINA BY CLARIFYING THAT CRUSH & RUN IS AN IMPERVIOUS SURFACE

Ordinance 23-12

WHEREAS, Subsection 156.092(C) of the Zoning Ordinance requires single-family residential parking spaces to be graded and improved with loose stone surface (gravel), porous pavers, or other similar semi-permeable materials. Town staff has documented several recent instances where a property owner or contractor has installed a subsurface base of crush and run, an impervious material, in contradiction to the intent of the ordinance that parking areas remain semi-pervious; and

WHEREAS, Town of Duck has identified the need to clarify the Town's provisions regarding the permeability and use of crush and run or other similar materials; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has found this ordinance to be consistent with the Town's adopted Comprehensive & CAMA Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined that these amendments are in the public interest by clarifying the Town's intentions to minimize lot coverage by requiring permeable parking spaces in residential areas.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council for the Town of Duck, North Carolina that Subsection 156.092(C) of the Zoning Ordinance shall be amended as follows:

PART I. The standards in Town Code Subsection 156.092 be amended to read as follows:

(C) Required parking spaces shall be graded and improved with loose stone surface (gravel), porous pavers, or other similar semi-permeable materials. Crush and run or similar impervious materials do not comply with these standards and cannot be used as surface or subsurface materials. Loose stone surface shall be bordered in a manner which retains the stone in the parking area. Parking spaces may be improved with asphalt or concrete, subject to review and approval of the Director of Community Development, if there is a topographic condition that warrants such improvement.

PART II. This ordinance shall be effective upon its adoption.

Don Kingston, Mayor