AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING THE CHARLESTON COUNTY ZONING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ORDINANCE, NUMBER 1202, AS AMENDED, CHAPTER 7, FBZD, FORM-BASED ZONING DISTRICT, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Local Government Comprehensive Planning Enabling Act of 1994, Sections 6-29-310, et seq., 6-29-510 et seq., 6-29-710 et seq. and 6-29-110 et seq., of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, authorizes the County of Charleston to enact or amend its zoning and land development regulations to guide development in accordance with existing and future needs and in order to protect, promote and improve the public health, safety, and general welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Charleston County Planning Commission has reviewed the proposed text and map amendments of the Charleston County Zoning and Land Development Regulations Ordinance (ZLDR) in accordance with the procedures established in State law and the ZLDR, and has recommended that the Charleston County Council adopt the proposed text amendments of the ZLDR as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of the recommendation of the Planning Commission, County Council held at least 1 public hearing and after close of the public hearing, County Council approves the proposed text amendments based on the Approval Criteria of Section 3.3.6 of Article 3.3 of the ZLDR;

WHEREAS, County Council has determined the proposed text amendments meet the following criteria:

A. The proposed amendments correct an error or inconsistency or meet the challenge of a changing condition; and

B. The proposed amendments are consistent with the adopted Charleston County Comprehensive Plan and goals as stated in Article 1.5; and

C. The proposed amendments are to further the public welfare in any other regard specified by County Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, be ordained it, by the Charleston County Council in meeting duly assembled, as follows:

SECTION I. FINDINGS INCORPORATED

The above recitals and findings are incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION II. TEXT AMENDMENTS OF THE ZONING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ORDINANCE

The Charleston County Zoning and Land Development Regulations Ordinance is hereby amended to include the text amendments of Chapter 7, FBZD, Form-Based Zoning District, which are attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made a part of this Ordinance by reference.

SECTION III. SEVERABILITY

If, for any reason, any part of this Ordinance is invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION IV. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately following third reading by the County Council.

ADOPTED and APPROVED in meeting duly assembled this 20th day of November 2012.

CHARLESTON COUNTY COUNCIL

Teddie E. Pryor, Sr., Chairman

ATTEST:

Beverly T. Craven, Clerk Charleston County Council

First Reading:	October 16, 2012
Second Reading	November 8, 2012
Third Reading:	November 20, 2012