

**P16-39**  
**Town of Hope Mills Zoning Ordinance**  
**Text Amendment**  
(Sexually Oriented Businesses)

**P16-39.** REVISION AND AMENDMENT TO THE TOWN OF HOPE MILLS ZONING ORDINANCE, ARTICLE X, SECTION 102A-1023. SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES, CORRECTING THE ZONING DISTRICT TO READ M(P) PLANNED INDUSTRIAL AND CLARIFYING THAT A SPECIAL USE PERMIT IS REQUIRED SO THAT SECTION 102A-1023 IS CONSISTENT WITH SECTION 102A-403. USE MATRIX; UPDATING THE TABLE OF CONTENTS AS APPROPRIATE AND AUTHORIZING STAFF TO REPRINT THE ZONING ORDINANCE IN ITS ENTIRETY WITH ALL AMENDMENTS APPROVED TO THE CURRENT DATE. (HOPE MILLS)

**AMEND Article X Individual Uses, Section 102A-1023. Sexually oriented businesses as indicated below:**

**ARTICLE X**  
**INDIVIDUAL USES**

**Sec. 102A-1023. Sexually oriented business.**

Sexually oriented businesses are some of the uses which, because of their very nature, may have serious objectionable characteristics, particularly when several of them are concentrated in one area, thereby having a deleterious effect upon adjacent areas, or when the uses are proposed to be located in or near sensitive areas or land uses. Special regulation of sexually oriented businesses is necessary to ensure that these adverse effects will not contribute to the blighting or downgrading of the surrounding neighborhood. These special regulations and applicable criteria are contained in this section.

Sexually oriented businesses shall be allowed upon approval of a special use permit in the M(P) ~~G(P)~~ planned industrial ~~commercial~~ district subject to the following:

- (a) Sexually oriented businesses shall not be located within 2,500 feet of another sexually oriented business. The measurement shall be taken from the exterior walls of the building(s) containing such regulated use.
- (b) Sexually oriented business shall not be located within 1,500 feet of any area zoned for residential use or from the property line of residential unit(s), religious worship activity, nursery school, day care facility, any recreation and amusement not regulated herein, and any public or private school regardless of the zoning district, and shall be measured from the property line(s) containing such regulated use.
- (c) Buffering, complying with the standards of Section 102A-1202(g), shall be placed around the entire perimeter, including road frontage but excluding the entrance drive, for all sexually oriented businesses.
- (d) Nude or semi-nude service or entertainment of any kind shall not be allowed outside the building of such use.
- (e) The provisions of this article shall not apply to “massage and bodyworks therapy” as defined in Article II and to the extent regulated by N.C. GEN. STAT., Chapter 90.