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BURNETTE DOYLE SUTTON,	
Plaintiff,	
v. COUNTY OF HAYWOOD, acting by and through its Development Services Department and Board of Commissioners, Defendants.	AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

NOW COMES the Plaintiff, by and through his undersigned counsel, Carolyn P. Small, and says:

That service was obtained on Defendant County of Haywood, by service of a copy of the Civil Summons and Complaint in this action as follows:

- 1. That she is the attorney of record for the Plaintiff in this matter;
- 2. That a copy of the Civil Summons and Complaint in the above captioned matter addressed to County of Haywood, c/o County Manager, Haywood County History Courthouse, Third Floor, 215 N. Main St., Waynesville, NC 28786, was deposited for mailing via UPS 2nd Day Air, which was signed for on October 29, 2020, as evidenced by the attached Proof of Delivery incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit "A" (Tracking No: 1ZVY2800A298222133);
- 3. That Defendant County of Haywood was duly served with a copy of the Civil Summons and Complaint in this matter by service of process as required by North Carolina General Statutes and North Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure.

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20 Town Mountain Road, Suite 100

Asheville, NC 28801

Telephone: (828) 254-4778

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State of North Carolina County of Buncombe

Sworn to and subscribed before me this // day of December, 2020. WILLIAM M. YOUNG NOTARY PUBLIC **Buncombe County** North Carolina

My Commission Expires 87

My commission expires: 8/28/2024



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This will certify that I have this day served a copy of this AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE, by placing a copy hereof in a first-class, postpaid wrapper in a post office or official depository under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Postal Service, addressed as follows:

County of Haywood c/o County Manager Haywood County Historic Courthouse, Third Floor 215 N. Main Street Waynesville, NC 28786

This the day of December, 2020.

Carolyn P. Small

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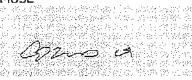
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IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION File No. 20 CVS 828

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Burnette Doyle Sutton,

Plaintiff

v.

County of Haywood,

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ORDER EXTENDING TIME TO FILE ANSWER

Upon motion of the defendant and for good cause shown, the time within which the defendant may serve answer or other responsive pleading is extended for 30 days, to and including the 28th day of December, 2020.

This 30th day of November, 2020.

Deputy Assistant Clerk of Superior Court

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing pleading was served on the opposing party or counsel in this matter by depositing a copy, enclosed in a first-class postage paid wrapper into a depository under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Postal Service, addressed as shown below on the date shown near his signature:

Derek J. Allen Allen Stahl & Kilburne 20 Town Mountain Road, Ste 100 Asheville NC 28801

November 30, 2020

Frank G. Queen, Attorney for

Defendant

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IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION

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Burnette Doyle Sutton,

LAY WOOD COUNTY, C.S.C. Plaintiff

v.

County of Haywood,

Defendant

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ANSWER

Now comes the defendant, through its undersigned counsel, moving the court pursuant to Rule 6 of the Rules of Civil Procedure, for an extension of time within which to file answer and saying:

- 1. The matter was commenced on the 4th day of September, 2020 by the filing of a complaint and issuance of summons.
- 2. The defendant was served on October 29, 2020. The time for filing answer or other pleading has not yet expired.
- 3. The defendant requires an additional period of time within which to research the law applicable to the claim and to file responsive pleadings.

Wherefore, the defendant moves the court for an extension of time, to and including the 28th day of December, 2020, within which to file and serve answer or other responsive pleadings.

This 30th day of November, 2020.

Frank G. Queen, PLLC

Frank G. Queen

Attorney Bar Number 7275

Haywood County Courthouse, 3rd Floor

215 N. Main Street

Waynesville NC 28786

Attorney for the defendant

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Pursuant to Rules 3, 7 and 8 of the North Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff Burnette Doyle Sutton ("Plaintiff"), complains of Defendant County of Haywood, acting by and through its Development Services Department and Board of Commissioners, and alleges and avers as follows:

JURISDICTION, VENUE, PARTIES, AND STANDING

- 1. Plaintiff is a citizen of resident of Waynesville, Haywood County, North Carolina.
- 2. Plaintiff is the owner and sole proprietor of Doyle's Garage and Wrecker Services, a wrecking business in Waynesville, NC.
- 3. Plaintiff has standing to bring this lawsuit because on or about September 5, 2019, Plaintiff received a notice from Haywood County Development Services stating that his application for a wrecker service permit at 3039 Crabtree Road was denied because the facility did not comply with Chapter 114 of the County's ordinance regarding Junkyards and Other Facilities. Plaintiff has a specific personal and legal interest in the subject

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matter affected by Chapter 114 and is directly and adversely affected thereby.

- 4. Defendant County of Haywood ("County") is a county and body politic, organized and existing under the laws of the state of North Carolina pursuant to chapter 153A of the North Carolina General Statutes. The County, through its Development Services Department, acts upon applications for permits to establish, operate, or maintain a wrecker service under Chapter 114 of the Haywood County Ordinances. The County also acts through its Board of Commissioners to hear appeals for a variance from the requirements of Chapter 114 of the Haywood County Ordinances.
- 5. Under G.S. § 153A-11, the County is capable in law of being sued.
- 6. This court has subject matter jurisdiction in this action pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 1-253, 160D-1401, and 160D-1403.1.
 - 7. Venue is proper in this Court.
 - 8. This Court has personal jurisdiction over the parties.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

- 9. Plaintiff is the sole owner of a property located at 3039 Crabtree Road (PIN 8628-33-4271), Waynesville, NC, 28785 ("the Property").
- 10. Plaintiff has owned the property since February 2019 as shown on that general warranty deed recorded with the Officer of the Register of Deeds of Haywood County, North Carolina in Book 968, Page 1138.
 - 11. The Property is located within Haywood County.
- 12. In or about August 2019, Plaintiff applied to Haywood County Development Services for a permit to operate a wrecker service at the Property.

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- 13. On or about September 5, 2019, Plaintiff received a letter stating that his planned facility does not comply with Section 114.04 of the Haywood County Ordinances. A copy of that letter and its tracking information is attached hereto as Exhibit A, and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth. A copy of Chapter 114 is attached to that letter, and is incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.
- 14. Plaintiff contested that determination in September 2019 by giving notice of his appeal ("the First Appeal") to the County and requested a variance of the ordinance.
- 15. On October 21, 2019, the Haywood County Board of Commissioners, acting as a quasi-judicial body, considered evidence for and against the Plaintiff's requested variance.
- 16. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Haywood County Board of Commissioners found that the evidence failed to allow for a variance.
- 17. Plaintiff filed a timely appeal of that decision via a writ of certiorari in this Court. See Sutton v. County of Haywood, No. 19-CVS-1282 (Haywood County). No hearing on the merits of that appeal has been held.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION <u>DECLARATORY JUDGMENT -</u> INVALID EXERCISE OF POLICE POWER

- 18. The allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 17 of this Complaint are hereby incorporated by reference and realleged in this claim for relief as if set out herein in their entirety.
- 19. Under N.C. Gen. Stat. § 153A-121(a), "[a] county may by ordinance define, regulate, prohibit, or abate acts, omissions, or conditions detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of its citizens and the peace and dignity of the county; and may define and abate nuisances."

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- 20. The County's general police power is limited to the powers defined in § 153A-121(a).
- 21. Chapter 114—and in particular, its specific requirement that wrecker services cannot be located closer than 500 feet of a residence, school, or business (hereinafter, "500-foot requirement")—is an improper exercise of the County's police powers for the following reasons:
 - a. Wrecker services are not detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of County citizens and the peace and dignity of the County;
 - b. Wrecker services are not defined as nuisances;
 - c. The 500-foot requirement in Chapter 114 does not purport to "regulate, prohibit, or abate acts, omissions, or conditions" of wrecker services, but rather is essentially a zoning ordinance that regulates where such services can be located by prohibiting those services from being located within 500 feet of a residence, school, or business;
 - d. The means chosen to regulate wrecker services under Chapter 114 are unreasonable because the 500-foot requirement, as applied, is not reasonably necessary to promote the accomplishment of a public good and the interference with the owner's right to use his property as he deems appropriate is not reasonable in degree;
 - e. There are significantly less burdensome means than the 500foot requirement by which Haywood County could achieve its
 purported purposes;

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- f. The 500-foot requirement contained in the ordinance is an unreasonable, arbitrary, and unequal exercise of power as applied to wrecker services.
- 22. Accordingly, the 500-foot requirement as applied to wrecker services is an improper exercise of Madison County's police power and is invalid and inapplicable to Plaintiff's wrecker service.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION <u>DECLARATORY JUDGMENT -</u> INVALID LAND USE ORDINANCE

- 23. The allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 22 of this

 Complaint are hereby incorporated by reference and realleged in this claim for
 relief as if set out herein in their entirety.
- 24. The 500-foot requirement in Chapter 114 is essentially a zoning ordinance that regulates where wrecker services can be located by prohibiting those services from being located within 500 feet of a residence, school, or business. See N.C. Gen. Stat. § 160D-702 (effective June 19, 2020) (zoning regulations regulate "the location and use of buildings, structures, and land"); § 153A-340(a) (repealed June 19, 2020) (same). Because the 500-foot requirement regulates the location of buildings and use of the land, it "substantially affects land use" and it is considered a zoning ordinance under North Carolina law. See Vulcan Materials Co. v. Iredell Cty., 103 N.C. App. 779, 782, 407 S.E.2d 283, 285-86 (1991) (moratorium on building permits is essentially a zoning ordinance); Thrash Ltd. P'ship v. Cty. of Buncombe, 195 N.C. App. 727, 733, 673 S.E.2d 689, 693 (2009) ("determination of whether an ordinance is a zoning ordinance . . . is whether the ordinance 'substantially affects land use'").

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- 25. Zoning regulations shall be made in accordance with a comprehensive plan. N.C. Gen. Stat. § 160D-701 (effective June 19, 2020); § 153A-341(a) (repealed June 19, 2020).
- 26. Upon information and belief, the 500-foot requirement in Chapter 114 is not in accordance with a comprehensive plan for Haywood County.
- 27. Upon information and belief, the 500-foot requirement in Chapter 114 was not adopted using the appropriate procedures for adopting development regulations. See N.C. Gen. Stat. § 160D-601 et seq. (effective June 19, 2020); § 153A-320 et seq. (repealed June 19, 2020).
- 28. The County may not evade these requirements by labeling this zoning act as an exercise of police power.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION EQUAL PROTECTION VIOLATION

- 29. The allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 28 of this Complaint are hereby incorporated by reference and realleged in this claim for relief as if set out herein in their entirety.
- 30. The County's actions in passing Chapter 114's 500-foot requirement for wrecker services, service stations, garages, used car lots, or motor vehicle storage area is not rationally related to a legitimate government interest and is unconstitutional.
- 31. Upon information and belief, Plaintiff has been intentionally treated differently from other similarly situated persons or businesses in Haywood County, and there is no rational basis for the difference in treatment.
- 32. The 500-foot requirement is invalid and violates Plaintiff's equal protection rights.
- 33. As a result, Plaintiff has been damaged in an amount exceeding \$25,000.

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PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE the reasons herein set forth, Plaintiff respectfully prays:

- That the Court invalidate the 500-foot requirement of Chapter
 as applied to wrecker services;
 - 2. For damages in an amount to be determined at trial;
- 3. For attorneys fees' and costs pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 6-21.7;
 - 4. For a jury trial for all issues so triable;
 - 5. And, for such other relief as the Court deems fair and just.

This the day of September, 2020.

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Haywood County Development Services

157 Paragon Parkway, Suite 200 Clyde, NC 28721 Phone: 828-452-6632 Fax: 828-452-6798

August 22, 2019

Mr. Burnette Doyle Sutton 1691 South Main Street Waynesville, NC 28786

Mr. Sutton,

I am in receipt of your plan submission for a wrecker service permit at 3039 Crabtree Road (8628-33-4271) as required by Haywood County Code of Ordinances: Chapter 114 Junkyards and Other Facilities section 114.11.

After review for compliance, it is determined the facility does NOT comply with Section 114.04 General Standards A (3) "not be located closer than 500 feet of a residence, school, or business". Your proposed facility is located closer than 500 feet of residences owned by David L. Harp (PIN 8628-33-0607 & 8628-33-2658).

Your request for a permit to operate a wrecker service at 3039 Crabtree Road is denied based on the above paragraph.

Pursuant to Chapter 114 Junkyards and Other Facilities section 114.14 Appeals and Variances, you may appeal this decision to the Haywood County Board of Commissioners within 10 days of receipt of this action. I have included a copy of Chapter 114 Junkyards and Other Facilities for your convenience.

The attached original letter was mailed certified to the address listed in the tax records because the submitted plan did not have names or addresses as required by the Ordinance. The new mailing address was provided by Randy Best on August 21st, 2019.

Kris R. Boyd

Development and Facilities Services Director

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cc: Bryant Morehead Frank Queen Randy Best Kevin Ensley Jodie Ferguson

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CHAPTER 114: JUNKYARDS AND OTHER FACILITIES

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§ 114.01 DEFINITIONS.

For the purposes of this Chapter, certain terms and words are hereby defined; words used in the present tense shall include the future; words used in the singular number shall include the plural number, and the plural the singular; and the word "shall" is mandatory and not directory.

ACTIVITY. The use of a land parcel or facility for a service station, garage, used car lot, wrecker service, junkyard, or motor vehicle storage area.

AUTOMOBILE GRAVEYARD. More than 10 vehicles meeting the definition of junk motor vehicle as defined in this chapter located upon a laud parcel that has not been issued a permit as a service station, garage, used car lot, wrecker service, junkyard, or motor vehicle storage area.

BUILDING. Any structure having a roof supported by columns or walls, and designated or intended for the shelter, support, enclosure or protection of persons, animals or chattels.

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ENCLOSED BUILDING. A permanent structure located on a parcel of land configured so as to prevent its contents from being visible from the public road or adjacent land parcel of another.

ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. Duly sworn employees of the Planning Office and Haywood County Sheriff's Office and such other persons as may be authorized by the Haywood County Board of Commissioners. The Enforcement Officer is also referred to as the "Officer" in this chapter.

ESTABLISHMENT. Any real property on which, or in which, there is operated or maintained any commercial, industrial, or service business or activity.

FACILITY. A structure used for a service station, garage, used car lot, wrecker service, junkyard, or motor vehicle storage area.

FARM OR BONAFIDE FARM. One or more contiguous land parcels under common or separate ownership on which agricultural operations are conducted as the primary use and which meets the definition of agricultural land or horticultural land under G.S. § 105-277.2 (1) and (3). For the purposes of this chapter, farm operations include the cultivation of crops, forest products, or the husbandry of livestock, poultry, or fish.

FENCE. A continuous, opaque, unperforated barrier extending from the surface of the ground to a uniform height of not less than six feet from the ground at any given point, constructed of dirt, wood, stone, steel or other metal, or any substance of a similar nature and strength.

GARAGE. An establishment which is maintained and operated for the primary purpose of making mechanical and/or body repairs to motor vehicles.

GATE. A door or other device attached to a fence which, when opened, provides a means of ingress and egress of persons and things for which it was intended, and which, when closed, forms a continuous barrier as a part of the fence to which it is attached.

HEALTH NUISANCE OR SAFETY HAZARD VEHICLE. A motor vehicle, used machinery or other used materials may be declared to be a health nuisance or safety hazard when it is found to be:

- (1) A breeding ground or harbor for mosquitoes or other insects, snakes, rodents or other pests; or
 - (2) A point of collection of pools or ponds of water; or
- (3) A point of concentration of quantities of gasoline, oil or other flammable or explosive materials as evidenced by odor; or

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- (4) One which has areas of confinement which cannot be operated from the inside such as trunks, hoods, etc. or is a source of danger from exposed surfaces of metal, glass or other rigid materials; or
 - (5) So located that there is a danger of the vehicle falling or turning over; or
- (6) A point of concentration of car radiators, batteries or other materials that pose either immediate or long-term danger of environmental degradation.
- HOUSING UNIT. A house, an apartment, a group of rooms, or a single room occupied or intended for occupancy as separate living quarters.
- JUNK. Scrapped copper, brass, rope, rags, batteries, paper, trash, rubber, debris, waste, iron, steel, or other scrap ferrous or non-ferrous materials; or wrecked, dismantled or uninhabitable mobile homes.

JUNK MOTOR VEHICLE. A motor vehicle or other motorized equipment or parts thereof that:

- (1) Is fully or partially dismantled or wrecked; or
- (2) Cannor be self-propelled in its present condition: or
- (3) Does not display a current license plate.
- JUNKYARD. Any land parcel which is maintained, operated, or used for storing, keeping, buying or selling junk, or junk motor vehicles. The term "junkyard" shall not include any county-operated landfills, collection, or recycling facilities.
- JUNKYARD CONTROL ACT. G.S. § 136-141 through 155 (Article 12) which delegates to the N.C. Department of Transportation the responsibility to regulate "junkyards" and "automobile graveyards" located on interstate and federal-aid primary system highways.
- LAND PARCEL. A tract of land which is separately described by the Haywood County Land Records/GIS Office.
- MOTOR VEHICLE. Any machine designed or intended to travel over land by self-propulsion or while attached to any self-propelled vehicle.
- MOTOR VEHICLE STORAGE AREA. One or more configuous land parcels under common or separate ownership where junk motor vehicles are stored.

OPAQUE. Impervious to fight.

RECYCLING FACILITY. A temporary or permanent site at which glass, aluminum cans, paper, plastic, clothes or similar materials commonly collected for recycling are collected and

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moved off site or kept on site in enclosed buildings, storage bins, solid waste containers, truck trailers or other rolling stock.

SERVICE STATION. An establishment which is maintained and operated for the purpose of making mechanical repairs, servicing and/or washing of motor vehicles.

USED CAR LOT. An establishment which is maintained and operated for the purpose of selling used automobiles under a license issued by North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles.

VECTOR. An organism that carries pathogens from one host to another.

VEGETATION. All season or evergreen vegetation including evergreen trees with leaves or foliage at all seasons of the year. Examples are white pine, southern yellow pine, hemlock

WIRE FENCE. A continuous, translucent, perforated barrier extending from the surface of the ground to a uniform height of not less than six feet from the ground at any given point, constructed of wire, steel or nylon mesh, or any substance of a similar nature and strength, but which perforations or openings are no larger than 16 square inches.

WRECKER SERVICE. A land parcel which is used for the purpose of storing motor vehicles. (Ord. passed 10-06-97; Am. Ord. passed 05-01-00)

§ 114.02 FINDINGS, PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES.

It is hereby found that automobile graveyards and health nuisance or safety hazard vehicles are inherently dangerous and should be prohibited and that junkyards, service stations, garages, used car lofs, wrecker services, or motor vehicle storage areas should be regulated.

The purposes and objectives of this chapter include the following:

- (1) To promote the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Haywood County;
- (2) To protect citizens and residents;
- (3) To promote or enhance the protection of property values throughout the county;
- (4) To attract tourists and promote the prosperity, economic well-being and general welfare of the county;
 - (5) To protect surface and groundwater quality; and
- (6) To preserve and protect the natural environment in Haywood County. (Ord. passed 10-06-97; Am. Ord. passed 05-01-00)

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