

## County of Amherst

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## **Business Friendly Initiative: Ordinance 2019-0001- Special Exception Code Changes**

Amherst County looks to double down on the simplification of its zoning rules through the modification, removal and or addition of special exception uses. Ordinance 2019-0001, which is part of Amherst County's "Business Friendly" initiative, looks to strengthen the relationship between local businesses and the county government. Prior to the adoption of Ordinance 2019-0001, the Planning Commission reviewed approximately 30 different special exception uses for code change. Through individual responses and a day long workshop, a comprehensive assessment of all permitted and special exception uses in the zoning ordinance was established and finalized. The Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance 2019-0001 on March 19, 2019.

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