

## GASTON COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

## Statement of Consistency

In considering the general rezoning case REZ-24-02-06-00171, the planning board finds:

- 1. This is a reasonable request and in the public interest; and
- 2. It is consistent with the goals of the comprehensive land use plan as it will keep the parcel residential in nature as envisioned by the rural future land use designation. Rural areas are characterized by green, rolling hills and plenty of open space, along with farmstead style housing. This designation exemplifies Gaston County and the existing natural resources that exist throughout the jurisdiction, road improvements and better connectivity to other areas of the County, preservation of existing conditions while allowing low to moderate growth, repurpose vacant buildings and facilities for new economic opportunities, and increased commercial opportunities along existing major thoroughfares in The Scenic Gaston / Southwest Gaston area of the comprehensive land use plan.

These findings are supported by a 6-0 vote by the Gaston County Planning Board during its March 4, 2024, meeting.