

ORDINANCE NO 2009-_____
IMPOSITION OF TEMPORARY MORATORIUM
ON BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED ALONG THE GATEWAY
CORRIDOR UNTIL NOVEMBER 9, 2009

WHEREAS, the City of Hahira believes that a temporary moratorium on building permits issued along the Gateway Corridor is needed due to the following:

- a) The City is currently engaged in an extensive study and review of its development regulations as they pertain to the Gateway Corridor;
- b) The Gateway Corridor is defined as that portion of the City of Hahira that stretches from the railroad tracks west to Interstate 75 along Highway 122 and from Highway 122 to the rear boundaries of all parcels that abut Highway 122 to the north and south or 300 yards, whichever is greater;
- c) Portions of the City's development regulations are outdated and have failed to keep up with the changes that have taken place in the building industry, making enforcement by City officials difficult;
- d) Large-scale commercial development within the City of Hahira is imminent;
- e) Such large-scale commercial development, if not properly regulated, could have an adverse impact on the historic character and aesthetic continuity of the properties within the Gateway Corridor;
- f) A temporary building permit moratorium along the Gateway Corridor would allow the City to modify its existing development regulations to prevent possible harm to the existing aesthetics of the community, preserve its historic character, ensure bicycle and pedestrian safety, promote safe traffic circulation, and revise the land development regulations and/or enact a new overlay district while maintaining the status quo.

WHEREAS, the Hahira City Council for the reasons set forth above are in unanimous agreement as to necessity of this moratorium;

WHEREAS, the process of amending the current development regulations and/or enacting a new overlay district will begin with the consideration of such items at the Hahira City Council's November 5, 2009 meeting;

WHEREAS, this temporary moratorium is limited to a specific geographic area and is established for the shortest amount of time necessary; therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Hahira, Georgia as follows:

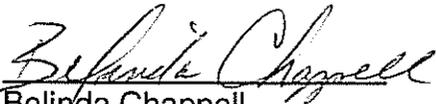
The moratorium on all new permitting of building activities along the Gateway Corridor is hereby decreed until November 9, 2009. This moratorium applies to all new construction within the Gateway Corridor of the City of Hahira as defined above.

SO ORDAINED this 20th day of October, 2009



Wayne Bullard
Mayor
City of Hahira

Attest:



Belinda Chappell
City Clerk
City of Hahira

