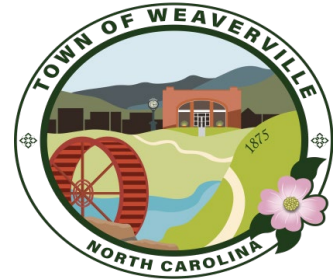


A Note from the Town of Weaverville Planning Department

Recently the North Carolina General Assembly took action with recovery legislation, enacting the Disaster Recovery Act of 2024. This act provides that local governments “shall not impose any fee associated with a permit, inspection, or certificate of occupancy required by law for construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, movement to another site, removal, or demolition of a manufactured home, building, dwelling, or structure damaged as a direct result of Hurricane Helene.”

While the town generally shares permitting responsibility with Buncombe County, in this act it is clear that the town cannot charge for the zoning permits we issue for construction within our municipal borders. If the work being requested on a zoning permit application is a result of damages sustained during Hurricane Helene, please let staff know so we may waive the permit fee as directed by the Disaster Recovery Act of 2024.



In an effort to evaluate the applicability of this law to projects or permits in question, staff may require photographs or other documentation not normally presented with a zoning permit application if a fee waiver is also being considered.