

# ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT APPLICATION

## CITY OF CHARLOTTE

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**Section #: 9.803**                      **For the addition of Indoor Training and Shooting facility under prescribed conditions to B-2 Zoning District.**

**Purpose of Change:**

The purpose of this amendment is to add the prescribed conditions to allow Indoor Training and Shooting facility to the General Business Zoning District (B-2).

Since the birth of the modern firearm, the shooting enthusiast, occasional shooter and security-minded citizens have been interested in improving their shooting skills and knowledge of firearm safety. This demand for skill and knowledge, along with the growing popularity of the sport of shooting, and the lack of properly designed, safe, qualified facilities has promoted the tremendous growth of the indoor training and shooting range industry.

Many years ago the science, technology and equipment available to indoor training and shooting ranges was not capable of creating the safe comfortable, human and environmentally friendly facilities we see being constructed and operated throughout the United States today. As a result we often found shooting ranges built on the outskirts of town. This is absolutely not the case today. To the contrary, most new indoor facilities are being developed in the middle of what is considered prime retail/indoor recreation space.

This text amendment will add the design criteria of a new modern indoor training and shooting facility. The design criteria will address environmental issues, both internal and external of the facility, the safety of our members and the general public, and the overall integration into our community.

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