

Alachua County, FL

Agenda Item Summary

File #: 23-00279 Agenda Date: 8/22/2023

Agenda Item Name:

Request to Advertise Amendments to Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Element (FLUE) Policy 6.4.2.1 [Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU)]

Presenter:

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Description:

Staff is seeking authorization from the Board of County Commission (BoCC) to advertise proposed amendments to Future Land Use Element (FLUE) Policy 1.3.6 dealing with Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU's).

Recommended Action:

Approve the request to Advertise

Prior Board Motions:

None

Fiscal Note:

Advertising Costs: \$0.50/mailer x 1,171 mailers x 3 meetings = \$1,756.50 plus approximately \$1,200.00 in advertising costs. Sufficient budget exists to cover these costs in account 001.65.6500.554.49.04.

Strategic Guide:

Housing

Background:

FLUE Policy 1.3.6 of the Comprehensive Plan (Plan) provides for certain land use designations where ADU's may be permitted. These generally encompass residential areas within the urban cluster as well as Agriculturally zoned parcels outside the cluster where residential dwellings may be permitted. However, the Plan at this time does not permit ADU's in areas designated as Rural Clusters on the County's Future Land Use Map. Rural Clusters are areas of historic development outside of the County's Urban Cluster but not within a municipality. These communities are based around historic settlements, crossroads, and railroad stops. Staff proposes to amend the current policy to allow ADU's within rural clusters on lots greater than one acre. Staff also proposes to undertake a community engagement process beginning with sending mailers to all Rural Cluster properties to seek community input.