



Agenda Item Summary

File #: 23-00468

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Agenda Item Name:

Request to advertise Notice of Public Hearing for proposed amendments to the Unified Land Development Code (ULDC) and for an amendment to the Alachua County Code.

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Description:

Staff Presentation to the Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) of proposed amendments to the ULDC and Alachua County Code and a request to advertise. Proposed amendments include: Notice for Hearings, Special Exception and Special Use Permits Limits, Stormwater Management Rainfall Volumes, Electric Substation, Use Table Errors and Housing Initiatives Partnership Administration.

Recommended Action:

Approve a request to advertise for a Notice of Public Hearing for proposed amendments to the ULDC and Alachua County Code.

Prior Board Motions:

The BoCC approved a motion at its January 24, 2023 regular meeting, Agenda Item 23-0313, for staff to examine and propose language for enhancing community engagement.

Fiscal Note:

Sufficient budget exists to cover fees associated with publishing the public hearing advertisements (001.65.6500.554.49.04)

Strategic Guide:

All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

Background:

Notice of Hearings: Community Engagement Process and Expanded Notification. The BoCC directed staff to examine and propose language for enhancing community engagement for development projects and land use issues as a short-term goal within the larger Equity and Environmental Justice discussion.

Electric Substations: Florida Statute 163.3208 was updated effective July 1, 2023. The proposed changes are to comply with the requirements of the law.

Stormwater Management Rainfall Criteria and Volumes: Staff recently discovered a discrepancy in the reference to the required rainfall volumes and propose to correct this by listing the rainfall volumes directly in the ULDC.

Special Exception & Special Use Permit Denial Limitations: Address timeframes for Board denied applications for reapplying for a Special Exception or Special Use Permit for the same site and use.

Use Table & Chapter 404 Correlated Scrivener Errors: Staff discovered errors in the Use Table related to previous code updates that were not carried out through the ULDC and propose corrections. These include a related substantive change for School siting criteria within TNDs and TODs.

Housing Initiatives Partnership Administration: Overdue housekeeping of Alachua County Code Chapter 39.5 to indicate that the administration and implementation of the local housing assistance program is the responsibility of the Department of Community Support Services who administer those programs.