



Minutes of the ALACHUA COUNTY Development Review Committee (DRC) for October 17, 2024

The Alachua County Development Review Committee (DRC) held a public hearing on October 17, 2024, at 1:40 pm. The meeting was held in the Jack Durrance Auditorium, Second Floor, Alachua County Administration Building, 12 SE 1st Street, Gainesville, Florida.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ivy Bell, Chair, Growth Management Department
Luke Sekula, Environmental Protection Department
Jeffrey Hodges, Public Works Department

STAFF PRESENT:

Corbin Hanson (via Zoom), Senior Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office
Kendra Gernaey, Planning Assistant, Growth Management Department
Christine Berish, Development Review Manager, Growth Management Department
Leslie McLendon, Senior Planner, Growth Management Department
Jessica Hong, Senior Forester Growth Management
Alison Moss, Transportation Planning Manager
Emily Rodriguez, Senior Planner, Environmental Protection Department
Summer Waters, Senior Planner, Environmental Protection Department
Chris Boever, Senior Environmental Specialist, Environmental Protection Department
David Tooke, Senior Engineering Technician, Environmental Protection Department
Mary Szoka, Stormwater Engineer, Environmental Protection Department
Lalit Lalwani, Civil Engineer III, Public Works Department

Meeting called to order at 1:40 pm by the Chair

STATEMENT READ BY THE CHAIR:

The following statement was read into the record by Ivy Bell, "Welcome to the October 17, 2024, meeting of the Alachua County Development Review Committee, which is now called to order. The purpose of this Committee is to approve, approve with conditions, or deny proposed development in Alachua County in accordance with the Comprehensive Plan and the Unified Land Development Code requirements. The DRC is governed in accordance with its Rules of Procedure adopted on February 8, 2022 by Resolution 2022-20. The Committee was established by Ordinance 05-10, known as the "Alachua County Unified Land Development Code".

The DRC has no authority to change zoning of property or to change any existing ordinances or regulations. Approval of zoning or amendments to ordinances can only be done by the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners. The DRC members are not directly involved with the detailed review of the DRC development applications. The DRC shall take final action on all items specified in the Unified Land Development Code and specifically Section 401.17, and if further action is required by the Board of County Commissioners, then the date and time of such meeting will be provided to you.

Appeals of all development orders and other applications included in the Unified Land Development Code shall be by petition for writ of certiorari filed in the Circuit Court for Alachua County within 30 days of the date of the final development decision, except as otherwise provided in Florida Statute.



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When we call the item represented on the agenda, staff will provide the staff report, then the applicant will come forward and make their presentation, followed by public comments. All persons wishing to participate and speak on an issue at the DRC meeting have the right, through the Chair, to ask questions, seek clarification of comments made and to respond to the comments or presentations of staff or other speakers; or refute or respond to any ex-parte communication. All persons who present written materials to the DRC for consideration must ensure that a copy of those materials is provided to the Clerk for inclusion in the Committee's record of proceedings and official minutes.

For individuals or entities that have properly requested to participate in a quasi-judicial public hearing as a party, we will review the requests before each quasi-judicial item is called. The County Attorney's Office will make a recommendation to the DRC regarding who should be granted party status and the DRC will consider the information provided and make a final determination as to party status for each individual or entity. Generally, a party is an individual or entity that is more directly or more substantially affected by the decision today than the member of the public at large.

Will the County Attorney please poll the Committee to declare any ex-parte communications?"

EX PARTE DISCLOSURE

The following question was read into the record by Corbin Hanson: "Has any member of the board received any written or oral communication regarding any of the items on the Development Review Committee agenda today?". There were none declared.

PARTY STATEMENT

Corbin Hanson read the party statement into the record.

Ivy Bell asked the Clerk to swear in all persons wishing to speak at today's hearing.

SWEARING IN

Kendra Gernaey asked all persons planning to speak to stand and raise their right hand. The Clerk asked those standing, "Do you swear or affirm that the evidence or testimony you will be providing today is the truth to the best of your knowledge and belief?"

All standing responded, "I do" and the Clerk stated, "Please be seated".

Ivy Bell asked staff to begin their presentation.

1. Project DR24-000047

Revised Final Development Plan for **Celebration Pointe Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Block 1** to construct track & field amenities to serve athletes at the Alachua County Event Center on approximately 0.44 acres. Located on a portion of Tax Parcel Number 06820-002-000 at 2650 Bass



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Pro Shops Blvd with eda consultants, Inc. as agents. Mixed Use Future Land Use Designation; R-1aa Single Family, Low Density Zoning District.

Staff presentation by Leslie McLendon. It was stated that staff finds the proposal consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and Unified Land Development Code and staff recommends that the DRC approve the Revised Final Development Plan for **Celebration Pointe Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Block 1** with the following condition:

- a. The warmup lanes do not need a construction permit.

There were no questions for staff.

Agent/Applicant, Sergio Reyes with eda, Inc. was present and available for questions. There were no questions for the applicant.

There was no one from the public wishing to speak.

Jeffrey Hodges moved to approve with condition.

Motion was **seconded** by Luke Sekula.

Ivy Bell called for a vote and the committee took the following action: **Approved, with conditions**, the Revised Final Development Plan for Celebration Pointe Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Block 1 with a 3-0 vote.

2. **Project DR24-000015**

Replat for **Heatherwood - Lot 23** to amend setbacks to current zoning district standards on approximately 0.2 acres. Located on Tax Parcel Number 06134-023-000 at 3815 NW 57th Ter with Edward Voor, property owner. Low Density (1-4du/ acre) Future Land Use Designation; Residential Single Family (R-1B) Zoning District.

Staff presentation by Leslie McLendon. It was stated that staff finds the proposal consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and Unified Land Development Code and staff recommends that the DRC approve the Replat for **Heatherwood - Lot 23**.

There were no questions for staff.

Agent/Applicant, was not present and available for questions. There were no questions for the applicant.

There was no one from the public wishing to speak.

Jeffrey Hodges moved to approve.



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Motion was **seconded** by Luke Sekula.

Ivy Bell called for a vote and the committee took the following action: **Approved** the Replat for Heatherwood - Lot 23 with a 3-0 vote.

3. Project DR24-000030

Revised Final Development Plan for **Feed My Sheep Learning Center** at First Assembly Faith Fellowship Church to construct a new 3,718 SF day care building and associated infrastructure on approximately 4.71 acres. Located on Tax Parcel 16134-053-000 at 2303 SE 27th Street with Gary Dounson & Associates, Inc. as agents. Low Density (1-4 du/acre) Future Land Use Designation; Residential Single Family (R-1C) Zoning District.

Staff presentation by Leslie McLendon. It was stated that staff finds the proposal consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and Unified Land Development Code and staff recommends that the DRC approve the Revised Final Development Plan for **Feed My Sheep Learning Center**.

There were no questions for staff.

Agent/Applicant, Gary Dounson with Gary Dounson & Associates, Inc. was present and available for questions. There were no questions for the applicant.

There was no one from the public wishing to speak.

Jeffrey Hodges **moved to approve**.

Motion was **seconded** by Luke Sekula.

Ivy Bell called for a vote and the committee took the following action: **Approved** the Revised Final Development Plan for Feed My Sheep Learning Center with a 3-0 vote.

4. Project DR24-000039

Revised Final Development Plan for **Buchanan Trails Subdivision Amenity Center** to construct a recreational area with a pavilion, playground, dog park, and parking on approximately 1.49 acres. Located on Tax Parcel Number 04308-001-000 at 1485 NW 127th Dr with CHW as agents. Low Density (1-4du/acre) Future Land Use Designation; Residential Single Family (R-1A) Zoning District.

Staff presentation by Leslie McLendon. It was stated that staff finds the proposal consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and Unified Land Development Code and the approved Final Development Plan for Buchanan Trails. and staff recommends that the DRC approve the Revised Final Development Plan for **Buchanan Trails Subdivision Amenity Center**.

There were no questions for staff.



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Agent/Applicant, Mitchell Mason with CHW/NV5 Inc. was present and available for questions. There were no questions for the applicant.

There was no one from the public wishing to speak.

Jeffrey Hodges moved to **approve**.

Motion was **seconded** by Luke Sekula.

Ivy Bell called for a vote and the committee took the following action: **Approved** the Revised Final Development Plan for Buchanan Trails Subdivision Amenity Center with a 3-0 vote.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Approval requested of the minutes for the September 19th, 2024 DRC Hearing.

Jeffrey Hodges moved to **approve**.

Motion was **seconded** by Luke Sekula.

Ivy Bell called for a vote and the committee took the following action: **Approved** the minutes for the September 19th, 2024 DRC hearing with a 3-0 vote.

Meeting adjourned at 2:04 PM by the Chair