

Alachua County Local Planning Agency/ Planning Commission Meeting Minutes:  
May 21, 2025

The Alachua County Planning Commission held a public meeting on May 21, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held **in person**.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

Raymond Walsh, Chair  
Melissa Norman, Vice-Chair  
Kristen Young  
Samuel Mutch  
Barry Rutenberg  
Gailine McCaslin

**COMMISSIONERS NOT PRESENT**

Sarah Rockwell  
Jancie Vinson

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Chris Dawson, Principal Planner, Development Services, Growth Management  
Jerry Brewington, Senior Planner, Development Services, Growth Management  
Mike Castine, Senior Planner, Comprehensive Planning, Growth Management  
Corbin Hanson, Senior Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney Office  
Patricia McAllister, Clerk, Development Services, Growth Management  
Mark Brown, Program Manager, Environmental Protection Department

**1. Meeting Called to Order:**

Meeting called to order by Chair Walsh at 6:00 p.m.

**2.1 Approval of Agenda:**

**Motion** was made by *Commissioner Young* to **approve** the agenda.

Motion was **seconded** by *Commissioner McCaslin*.

**Action:** The **agenda** was **approved** with a vote of 4-0

*Commissioner Norman arrived at 6:00 p.m.*

**2.2 Attorney Office Polling For Ex-Parte Communication**

*Corbin Hanson* polled the planning commissioners for any ex-parte communications.  
None disclosed.

**2.3 Clerk Swearing In:**

Clerk swore in staff, the applicants and members of the public that planned to speak at tonight's meeting

*Commissioner Mutch arrived at 6:02 p.m.*

**3. Legislative Item:**

**3.1 Z25-000007 Comprehensive Plan Amendment -Water Supply Planning**

County-initiated amendment to the Alachua County Comprehensive Plan: 2019-2040 to incorporate by reference the updated Joint Alachua County/City of Gainesville Water Supply Facilities Work Plan 2025-2035 as required by Sections 163.3177(6)(c) and 163.3177(4)(a), Florida Statutes.

Staff Presentation:

*Mike Castine* presented this application.

*Commissioner Rutenberg* asked whether this water plan is also coordinating with the surrounding municipalities with expansion of housing outside the urban area and more demand anticipated on the water supply.

*Mike Castine* provided a response.

**Motion** was made by *Commissioner Young* to **recommend approval of transmittal** of application Z25-000007 to the state agencies for comment and review.

Motion was **seconded** by *Commissioner Norman*.

Public Comment: None

**Action:** Motion was **approved to recommend approval of transmittal** to state agencies **to the Board of County Commissioners** for **Z25-000007** with a **6-0** vote.

#### **4. Quasi-Judicial Item:**

##### **4.1 Party statement:**

County Attorney read statement for affected parties and stated there are no party requests for this application.

##### **4.2 Z25-000008 Special Exception (Jazz Wonderland)**

A request by Clay Sweger, agent (eda consultants, inc.) for Yadda Property Holdings, LLC, owner, for a special exception to permit a commercial animal boarding facility that allows a dog park, day care and overnight boarding on approximately 4.82 acres in an ML (Light Industrial) district with a Light Industrial land use designation. The property is located on the existing south terminus of NW 97th Boulevard on a portion of parcel 06233-014-005.

Staff Presentation:

*Jerry Brewington* presented this application.

Questions for staff:

*Commissioner Young* and *Commissioner Rutenberg* asked questions of Staff.

Staff response:

*Jerry Brewington* provided a response

Applicant's presentation:

*Sergio Reyes*, agent for applicant, was present, made a brief presentation and was available for questions.

Questions for applicant:

No questions for the applicant.

**Motion** was made by *Commissioner Rutenberg* to recommend **approval** of Z25-000008 to the Board of County Commissioners.

Motion was **seconded** by *Commissioner Young*.

Public Comment: None.

**Action: Motion to approve application Z25-000008** with the bases and conditions as noted in the staff report with a **6-0** vote.

5. **Approval of Minutes: April 16, 2025**

**Motion** was made by *Commissioner Young* to approve the minutes from April 16, 2025 Local Planning Agency and Planning Commission meeting.

Motion was **seconded** by *Commissioner McCaslin*.

**Action:** The **minutes** for April 16, 2025 Local Planning Agency and Planning Commission meeting were **approved** with a **vote of 6-0**.

6. **Attendance Report:** No comments.

7. **Public Comment:** None

8. **Planning Commissioner Comments:** None

9. **Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at **6:32 p.m.**