

Alachua County Advisory Boards  
Annual Workplan/Accomplishments Report  
FY2024-2025

Date: **October 28, 2025**

Board/Committee Name: **Alachua County Local Planning Agency/Planning Commission**

Chair: Barry Rutenberg

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**Staff Support:** Patricia McAllister, Staff Assistant (Growth Management)

**Board Liaison:** Chris Dawson, Principal Planner (Growth Management)

**Brief History of Committee:** The Planning Commission was established to advise the Board of County Commissioners regarding all matters related to land use and zoning. The Planning Commission determines whether items to be heard by the Board are consistent with the Alachua County Comprehensive Plan and the Unified Land Development Code.

Major Accomplishments in FY2024-2025:

The Planning Commission held 8 regular public hearings to review and make recommendations on the following zoning and land use applications:

Special Exceptions – 4  
Special Use Permits – 2  
Comprehensive Plan Amendments – 5  
Rezoning – 1  
Total – 12 items

Goals & Objectives for FY2025-2026:

In the coming year, the Planning Commission will undertake the following:

- Regular Meetings: 12 meetings are scheduled.
- Workshops: as needed.
- As part of the Evaluation and Appraisal of the County's Comprehensive Plan, the Planning Commission will provide recommendations to the County Commission about any resulting comprehensive plan amendments.