



## Agenda Item Summary

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**Agenda Item Name:**

Request to Advertise for Unified Land Development Code (ULDC) Amendments Related to 2025 Legislative Session

**Presenter:**

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**Description:**

A request by the Growth Management Department to advertise a public hearing for Unified Land Development Code (ULDC) amendments related to recent legislation passed during the 2025 Florida legislative session.

**Recommended Action:**

Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners authorize the advertisement of a public hearing for these ULDC amendments.

**Prior Board Motions:**

The BoCC amended the code related to farmworker housing in November 2024 (Ord. 2024-16).

**Fiscal Note:**

There is no fiscal impact at this time, the advertisement, if approved, will be published on the County's "Public Notices" page.

**Strategic Guide:**

All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

**Background:**

SB 700 prohibits local governments from inhibiting the construction of farmworker housing on bona fide farms and provides standards and design requirements for these housing units. Currently, farmworker housing requires a special exception approval. The BoCC also amended the code (Sec. 404.19 of the ULDC) related to farmworker housing in November 2024; therefore, this code will need to be amended in order to comply with SB 700.

SB 954 requires local governments to establish, by January 1, 2026, procedures for reviewing and approving a certified recovery residence - housing that offers safe, supportive environments for individuals recovering from substance use. The law mandates that these procedures comply with the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act and as part of the review and approval process, applicants may request reasonable accommodation to certain County regulations or policies.