



Agenda Item Summary

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**File #: 25-00977**

**Agenda Date: 12/9/2025**

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**Agenda Item Name:**

**Z25-000018 Unified Land Development Code Amendments for Livestock and Poultry Adoption Hearing**

**Presenter:**

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**Description:**

Adoption hearing for proposed amendments to the Unified Land Development Code (ULDC) for allowances and standards for poultry or livestock allowed in single-family residential zoning districts ULDC Sec. 404.13.

**Recommended Action:**

For the Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) to convene as the Land Development Regulation Commission and find the ULDC amendments consistent with the Alachua County Comprehensive Plan.

Reconvene as the BoCC and approve the ordinance and authorize the Chair's signature on the ordinance.

**Prior Board Motions:**

On June 3, 2025 at the special policy meeting the Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) reviewed the current ULDC language in Sec. 404.13 and motioned for staff to revise the language to allow 10 hens or ducks in the urban cluster on parcels one acre or less and propose allowances on parcels greater than one acre outside the urban cluster.

On July 15, 2025, at the regular Rural Concerns Advisory Committee meeting, staff presented a draft of the proposed ULDC language and received input that shaped the currently proposed language.

On September 23, 2025, at the regular BoCC meeting, the Board approved by consent a request to advertise the County-initiated amendments to the ULDC Sec. 404.13.

On November 4, 2025, at the regular BoCC meeting, the Board approved the second advertisement for the adoption hearing of County-initiated amendments to ULDC Sec. 404.13.

**Fiscal Note:**

Costs related to the amendment to be included in Municode are covered in the FY25 and FY26 budget in account 008.65.6500.554.49.04 (other charges) There is no fiscal costs associated with advertisement as this item is published on the County's "Public Notices" page.

**Strategic Guide:**

All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

**Background:**

**Poultry and Livestock Allowances in Single-Family Zoning Districts:** Earlier this year, residents voiced concerns to the County Commission and the Rural Concerns Advisory Committee about limits on the number of hens allowed in single-family zoning districts within unincorporated areas. In response to BoCC motion, staff reviewed the current regulations and proposed language for adoption amending the ULDC and is not more restrictive or burdensome than the existing rules.