

## EXHIBIT A

### ELECTRIC FENCE SUBCOMMITTEE A SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATION ADVISORY BOARD (LDRAB)

#### SUMMARY OF THE NOVEMBER 26, 2012 MEETING

On Monday, November 26, 2012, a LDRAB Subcommittee meeting was held at the Vista Center, Kenneth Rogers Hearing Room, VC-1W-47 at 2300 North Jog Road, West Palm Beach, Florida.

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

##### 1. Roll Call

The meeting commenced at 3:05 p.m.

##### 2. Introduction of Members, Staff and Interested Parties

**LDRAB Subcommittee Member:** Frank Gulisano

**Interested Parties:** Lt. Bruce Hannan, Deputy Sheriff Karl Martin, Dionna Hall, Matthew Leger, Chris Barry, Cliff Hertz, and Cindy Gsell.

**County Staff:** Richard Gathright, Gail Vorpapel, Bryan Davis, William Cross, and Scott Rodriguez.

##### 3. Election – Chair and Vice Chair (Optional)

Mr. Cross pointed out that the need for a formal Chair or Vice Chair was typically decided by the Subcommittee; however, as there was no quorum, the decision would need to be postponed to the next meeting.

##### 4. Additions, Substitutions and Deletions to Agenda

N/A.

##### 5. Motion to Adopt Agenda

N/A. No quorum.

#### B. SEPTEMBER 27, 2012 BCC DIRECTION

Mr. Cross reiterated that the Subcommittee was being convened to address Board of County Commissioner (BCC) direction from the September 27, 2012 BCC Zoning Hearing. The Board had directed staff to process a publicly initiated ULDC amendment submitted on behalf of Electric Guard Dog, to allow for the use of electric security fencing. Staff would be seeking to work with all interested parties to solicit feedback and conduct additional research about the pros and cons of electric fences, and obtain a recommendation from the subcommittee.

#### C. OVERVIEW – PRESENTED BY STAFF (10 MINUTES)

Mr. Cross explained that staff would provide a brief presentation and then allow for the applicant to submit the proposed ULDC amendments and backup materials. Mr. Cross provided a brief background on the origination of the issue, tentative dates for key meetings including the next subcommittee meeting date, as well as the upcoming Zoning Commission to review the Variance application submitted by the Applicant. Additionally, he presented an overview of current Code regulations including a history on Zoning regulations for dangerous fencing materials and other affected regulations, a summary of PZB issues (aesthetics and public safety) and a power point presentation with examples of electric fences.

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### **D. APPLICANT PRESENTATION (10 MINUTES)**

Mr. Cliff Hertz, council for the applicant, Mr. Chris Barry, also representing the applicant and Ms. Cindy Gsell of Electric Guard Dog, highlighted their request to the Subcommittee. This included, allowing for use of electric fences in certain types of developments, primarily commercial and industrial uses that have outdoor storage, and for certain accessory uses such as generators; be permitted to be located adjacent to residential districts and R-O-W's; requiring that the electric fence be located behind another fence or wall; allow for increases in permitted fence height for the electric fence (up to two feet higher than the other required fence or wall, up to a maximum height of ten feet); and, include the posting of warning signs. The presentation also addressed questions regarding the use of screening material such as mesh, safety issues related to pulse electricity and aesthetics. Several backup documents were referenced and a short video was presented where Electric Guard Dog representatives demonstrated the relative safety of their product.

### **E. DISCUSSION (30 MINUTES)**

The subcommittee discussed these topics in greater detail: child safety, landscaping, screening, PBC Building Division issues related to the timing of final CO and product certification, nonconformities, additional concerns with the aesthetics of additional fencing material placed on gates, and ROW aesthetics.

### **F. NEXT MEETING AGENDA**

Participants were informed that the next subcommittee meeting will be held on December 10, 2012 at the same place and time. Ms. Gsell advised that she would not be able to attend the originally scheduled 2<sup>nd</sup> Subcommittee meeting date, and Zoning staff advised those in attendance that every effort would be made to secure another date.

### **G. ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.