



**LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATION ADVISORY BOARD (LDRAB)**  
**LANDSCAPE SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES**

MAY 17, 2017

2300 NORTH JOG ROAD, CONFERENCE ROOM VC-2E-12 – 2ND FLOOR

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

**A. CALL TO ORDER**  
**9:05 AM**

**1. Introduction of Members, Staff and Interested Parties**

**Subcommittee Members:** None

**Industry/public:** Chris Lockhart, Michelle Duchene, Brett Ashley, Eddy Viera, Gladys DiGirolamo, Deb Joneck, Dylan Roden, Angela Biagi, Drew Martin

**County Staff:** Maryann Kwok, Barbara Pinkston, Rodney Swonger, George Galle, Jon Powers, Meredith Leigh, Yoan Machado

**2. Additions, Substitutions and Deletions to Agenda:**

There were no additions, substitutions or deletions to the agenda.

**B. OBJECTIVES FOR AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE 7**

Barbara explained that the purpose of the subcommittee is to reorganize the article to make it more “user friendly” by: eliminating redundancy (having tables and language that provide the same information); improving the order of the components; and including some revisions to address industry trends. It was stressed that the goal is not to rewrite the entire article

**C. ORGANIZATION OF THE CHAPTERS**

Maryann gave an overview of the proposed order / structure of Article 7. She explained that each chapter (A – G) would be scheduled for review and discussion during the upcoming meetings. Each chapter was reviewed page by page and included questions from the subcommittee members. Comments, questions, and suggestions included the following:

○ Chapter A

- Reword the heading “*Preservation and Removal of Prohibited Plant Species*” to avoid confusion (pg.4, line 35)
- Maryann explained that definitions are included in Art.1 (pg.8, line 17)
- Question regarding natural drainage and whether or not it will be better defined
  - It was explained that drainage review is subject to Land Development Division review

○ Chapter B

- Maryann explained that “*Vegetation, Preservation and Protection*” is located in Art 14 and falls under the scope of ERM responsibilities (pg.1, line 17)
- Question – “Will something be added about the Ag Reserve?”

- Maryann advised that the Ag Reserve is a zoning district and that the requirements are located elsewhere in the Code
- Maryann went over the different types of landscape plans and submittal requirements (timing) (pg.2)
- Rodney explained the types of landscape inspections: final, annual, and preliminary
- Maryann advised that there have been changes to the waiver language and explained the criteria
- Discussion ensued regarding the 100% native requirement and the amount of shrubs needed
- General comments regarding the varying/mix of tree heights and spacing requirements. It was suggested that “truthing” be conducted to justifying additional reductions
- Gladys offered to have sketches prepared to depict planting at time of installation versus time of maturity

**D. INPUT AND COMMENTS**

Barbara reminded the group of the meeting dates and advised that additional dates would be forwarded to the subcommittee.

**G. ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.