



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

AUGUST 2, 2017, 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM
2300 NORTH JOG ROAD, CONFERENCE ROOM VC-2E-12 – 2ND FLOOR
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER – 9.08 AM

ATTENDANCE:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: No LDRAB committee member was present.

PZB STAFF: Maryann Kwok, Barbara Pinkston, Jon Powers, Melissa Matos, George Galle, and Zubida Persaud

INTERESTED PARTIES: Gladys DiGirolamo, Chris Lockhart, Angela Biagi, Jay Bridges, Leo Urban, Brett Ashley, Michelle Duchene, Brandon Balch, Eddie Viera, and Drew Martin.

A. REVIEW OF SUMMARY – JULY 12, 2017

No comments on the previous meeting summary from July 12, 2017.

B. OVERVIEW – MARYANN KWOK

Maryann provided a handout with the proposed amendments to ULDC Article 7, Chapters A through G. Maryann explained that most of the changes were minor and are necessary to clarify and to enforce the preservation of native vegetation in Palm Beach County, and that planting requirements are based on the Managed Growth Tier System (MGTS) of the Comprehensive Plan. There are also a few relocated sections in Article 7 such as the removal of prohibited species, appearances of plantings. This will reduce redundancy between sections and provide a more realistic type of landscape design that can be applied to the site design.

C. Input and Comments:

Maryann reviewed all the proposed changes in the handout and the following are some of the subcommittee concerns and suggestions.

- Chapter A – Line 19, page 9 Clarify Preservation is for Existing Native Vegetation.
- Chapter B – page 25, define pervious in Art.1 to make sure it says plant-able, excludes pervious pavers/driveways, etc.

- Chapter B – Page 29, include cubic feet of soil to sustain healthy tree growth. Subcommittee all agrees the increase of LA islands from 8 to 10 feet is a good suggestion.
- Leo Urban said University of Florida or UCF have studies related to putting stones around tree wells so that roots are forced to go vertical instead of horizontal (impacts asphalt/sidewalk).
- Chapter C – page 35, Fix graphics, seems to be inconsistent with the dimensions. Leo also suggested that we can add, allow 100% drainage easement encroachment if the planting is used for storm water treatment, e.g. bio-swales.
- Chapter C – page 36, Fix graphics to indicate how to measure, whether the safe sight or corner clip is measured from Building Base Line or property line.
- Chapter D – BIG TOPIC for future discussion, debate the merit of 60% native. How we established the 60% and staff agreed to research and do a separate meeting to discuss this. Maryann said this will NOT be part of this Article 7 update at this time.
- Chapter D – page 51, Drew Martin suggested to discourage the use of cypress mulch as ground treatment.
- Chapter E – page 61, Maryann reminded Barbara and LA Inspectors to establish the Installation Schedule Form, if needed.
- Chapter F – page 65 – Leo Urban asked us to review City of Boynton Code – and we should add Irrigation Smart Controllers to this Chapter.

D. AMENDMENT TIMELINE

LDRAB MEETING – AUGUST 23, 2017

LDRC MEETING – OCTOBER 25, 2017

BCC ZONING HEARING – NOVEMBER 30, 2017 – REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE

JANUARY 4, 2018 – 1ST READING

JANUARY 25, 2018 - ADOPTION

ADJOURN – 10:55AM