

## RESOLUTION NO. PZ/LP CPA 18-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, SERVING AS THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA AND THE LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOMMENDING TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE TEXT OF THE UNION COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION, CPA 18-01, BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, UNDER THE AMENDMENT PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED IN SECTIONS 163.3161 THROUGH 163.3248, FLORIDA STATUTES, AS AMENDED; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING POLICY V.2.8 OF THE CONSERVATION ELEMENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY DELETING A REFERENCE TO RULE 62C-16.005(14), FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND ASSOCIATED LANGUAGE AND CHANGING A REFERENCE TO CHAPTER 62-300, FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO CHAPTER 62-330, FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE; REPEALING ALL RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Union County Land Development Regulations, as amended, hereinafter referred to as the Land Development Regulations, empowers the Board of County Commissioners of Union County, Florida, serving as the Planning and Zoning Board of Union County, Florida, hereinafter referred to as the Board of County Commissioners, serving as the Planning and Zoning Board, to recommend to the Board of County Commissioners of Union County, Florida, hereinafter referred to as the Board of County Commissioners, approval or denial of amendments to the Union County Comprehensive Plan, hereinafter referred to as the Comprehensive Plan, in accordance with said regulations;

WHEREAS, Sections 163.3161 to 163.3248, Florida Statutes, as amended, the Community Planning Act, empowers the Board of County Commissioners, serving as the Local Planning Agency of Union County, Florida, hereinafter referred to as the Board of County Commissioners, serving as the Local Planning Agency, to recommend to the Board of County Commissioners approval or denial of amendments to the Comprehensive Plan, in accordance with said statute;

WHEREAS, an application for an amendment, as described below, has been filed with the County;

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has been designated as the Planning and Zoning Board;

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has been designated as the Local Planning Agency;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Land Development Regulations and Section 163.3174, Florida Statutes, as amended, the Board of County Commissioners, serving as the Planning and Zoning Board and the Local Planning Agency, held the required public hearing, with public notice, on said application for an amendment, as described below, and considered all comments received during said public hearing concerning said application for an amendment, as described below; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, serving as the Planning and Zoning Board and the Local Planning Agency, has determined and found said application for an amendment, as described below, to be compatible with the Land Use Element objectives and policies, and those of other affected elements of the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, serving as the Planning and Zoning Board and the Local Planning Agency, has determined and found that approval of said application for an amendment, as described below, would promote the public health, safety, morals, order, comfort, convenience, appearance, prosperity or general welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, SERVING AS THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA AND THE LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1. Pursuant to an application, CPA 18-01, by the Board of County Commissioners, to amend the text of the Future Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan, the Board of County Commissioners, serving as the Planning and Zoning Board and the Local Planning Agency, recommends to the Board of County Commissioners, that Policy V.2.8 of the Conservation Element of the Comprehensive Plan be amended to read, as follows:

Policy V.2.8 Where the alternative of clustering all structures on the non-wetland portion of a site exists, the County shall conserve wetlands by prohibiting any development, which alters the natural function of wetlands, and prohibiting mining operations within wetlands as provided for in the mining policies contained in the Land Use Element of this Comprehensive Plan. Mitigation efforts shall be required for activities which alter the natural functions of wetlands in accordance with Chapter 62-330, Florida Administrative Code, as amended, in effect upon adoption of this Comprehensive Plan. Such mitigation shall result in no net loss of wetlands and all restored or created wetlands shall be of the same ecological type, nature and function.

Where the alternative of clustering all structures on the non-wetland portion of a site does not exist, the County shall allow only minimal residential development activity in those areas defined as wetlands within this Comprehensive Plan and such development activity shall conform to the density requirement for the land use classification applicable to the location of the wetland. However, in no case shall residential dwelling unit density be greater than 1 dwelling unit per 5 acres. In addition, such development activity shall comply with the following densities and performance standards:

1. Residences and any support buildings shall be elevated no lower than 1 foot above the highest recorded flood level in the wetland. If flooding data is not available, residences and any support buildings shall be built at least 2 feet above the highest seasonal water level.
2. Clearing or removal of native vegetation shall not exceed 1/2 acre per 5 acres. Exotic vegetation may be removed without regard to this limitation provided that, if the area cleared of exotic vegetation exceeds the 1/2 acre limitation, it is replanted with native wetland vegetation.
3. Walking paths and driveways to the residence shall use permeable fill and shall be constructed with a sufficient number and size of culverts to allow the natural flow of water to continue.

For the purposes of this Comprehensive Plan, wetlands shall be generally located as shown in Appendix A, and more specifically described and defined as follows: Wetlands mean those areas that are inundated or saturated by surface water or ground water at a frequency and a duration sufficient to support, and under normal circumstances do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soils. Soils present in wetlands generally are classified as hydric or alluvial, or possess characteristics that are associated with reducing soil conditions. The prevalent vegetation in wetlands generally consists of facultative or obligate hydrophytic macrophytes that are typically adapted to areas having soil conditions described above. These species, due to morphological, physiological, or reproductive adaptations, have the ability to grow, reproduce or persist in aquatic environments or anaerobic soil conditions. Florida wetlands generally include swamps, marshes, bayheads, bogs, cypress domes and strands, sloughs, wet prairies, riverine swamps and marshes, hydric seepage slopes, tidal marshes, mangrove swamps and other similar areas. Florida wetlands generally do not include longleaf or slash pine flatwoods with an understory dominated by saw palmetto. The delineation of actual wetland boundaries may be made by any professionally accepted methodology consistent with the type of wetlands being delineated, but shall be consistent with any unified statewide methodology for the delineation of the extent of wetlands ratified by the Legislature.

Section 2. All resolutions or portions of resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 3. This resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED in regular session with a quorum present and voting, by the Board of County Commissioners, serving as the Planning and Zoning Board and the Local Planning Agency, this 20th day of August 2018.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA  
SERVING AS THE  
PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD  
OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
AND THE LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY  
OF UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA

Attest:

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Kellie Hendricks Connell, County Clerk

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Karen E. Cossey, Chair



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August 17, 2018

Ms. Dianne Hannon  
Secretary to the  
Board of County Commissioners  
Union County  
15 Northeast First Street  
Lake Butler, FL 32054

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SIGNED ORIGINAL ON FILE

RE: Application No. CPA 18-01 (Board of County Commissioners)

Resolution  
Concerning an Amendment to the  
Text of the Comprehensive Plan

Dear Dianne:

Please find enclosed the above referenced resolution.

The County Attorney should review the resolution as to legal form and sufficiency.

Subsequent to adoption of the resolution, please send a copy of the signed resolution to me.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Sandra Joseph, Senior Planner, at 352.955.2200, ext. 111.

Sincerely,

*Signed by Sandra Joseph on behalf of Mr. Koons.*

Scott R. Koons, AICP  
Executive Director

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Enclosure

xc: Russell A. Wade III, County Attorney

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