



SUMMARY MINUTES
(DRAFT)

Resilient Environment Department Local Planning Agency
Public Hearing
Government Center West – 2nd Floor Hearing Room
1 North University Drive, Plantation, FL 33324
December 20, 2022

Attendance

1. Board Members Present
 - a. Cyril Saiphoo, AICP, Chair
 - b. Susanne Carrano
 - c. Angela Chin, AICP
 - d. Howard Clarke
 - e. Sara Forelle, AICP

2. Board Members Absent
 - a. None

3. County Staff Present

Urban Planning Division

 - a. Heather Cunniff, AICP
 - b. Darby Delsalle, AICP
 - c. Willowstine Lawson
 - d. Josie Sesodia, AICP

County Attorney's Office

 - a. Alexis Marrero-Koratich

Agenda

1. Call to Order

Cyril Saiphoo called the meeting to order at 3:00pm. He stated that the meeting is open to the public, notice of the meeting was published in the Sun-Sentinel, and a copy of the notice is on file with the Urban Planning Division. Attendees were advised that the meeting is being recorded. The Local Planning Agency members introduced themselves.

2. Approval of Minutes: August 16, 2022

Upon a motion made by Susanne Carrano, seconded by Angela Chin, and unanimously approved, the August 16, 2022, Local Planning Agency minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Broward County Zoning Code Amendment 22-Z4:

Mr. Saiphoo introduced the item and requested a staff presentation. Ms. Cunniff introduced herself and stated she is the Planning Section Supervisor, has over 25 years of professional planning experience, and is certified with the American Institute of Certified Planners. She entered the written Staff Report into the record as part of the public hearing and noted the Staff Report includes the full background and details.

The proposed zoning code change concerns front yard fences and walls in the Roosevelt Gardens neighborhood. The current regulations for Roosevelt Gardens are included in Broward County's Zoning Code as part of the Central County Community Overlay District. Front yard fences and walls are currently permitted in all Central County neighborhoods, except for Roosevelt Gardens. Recently, several property owners in Roosevelt Gardens have requested front yard fencing.

The proposed amendment:

- Permits front yard fences and walls up to 48" in height.
- Prohibits solid wood (including shadow box), solid concrete, solid vinyl, solid block, or other solid material fences and walls.
- Allows up to an additional 12" in height to accommodate decorative features.

Staff conducted an analysis of the proposed amendment and found it consistent with the Broward County Comprehensive Plan's Broward Municipal Services District Element, including Objective BMSD 2.1, Policy BMSD 4.1.4, and Policy BMSD 4.1.5. The Staff Report includes the text of the objective and policies.

Ms. Cunniff concluded her presentation by stating that Urban Planning Division staff recommend the Resilient Environment Department Local Planning Agency find the proposed ordinance consistent with the Broward County Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Saiphoo opened the item for public comments. Lillian Champion, a resident and property owner in Roosevelt Gardens, stated her support for having a fence in her front yard.

Upon a motion made by Howard Clarke, seconded by Angela Chin, and unanimously approved, the Local Planning Agency accepted public comments and approved the staff recommendation. Mr. Saiphoo assisted to draft the proposed Ordinance and recused himself from the vote.

4. Public Comments: Non-Agenda Items
No comments.

5. Adjourn

Upon a motion made by Ms. Carrano, seconded by Ms. Chin, and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 3:06pm.