## Interoffice Memorandum



## AGENDA ITEM

February 27, 2017

TO:

Mayor Teresa Jacobs

-AND-

**Board of County Commissioners** 

FROM:

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Services Department

SUBJECT:

March 21, 2017 - Work Session

Land Development Process – Zoning and Zoning Changes

On February 7, 2017 and February 21, 2017, staff presented the first two in a series of work sessions aimed at providing an overview of the County's major growth policy framework and the land development process. Those work sessions covered the County's Comprehensive Plan, specifically the plan amendment process and discussion on its framework policies.

On March 21, 2017, staff will provide an overview of the County's land development code aimed at addressing zoning standards and processes as it relates to new development. The work session will highlight the zoning code's relationship to the comprehensive plan, describe the process for rezoning applications for conventional and planned developments, and highlight the importance of public participation through community meetings and hearings. Staff will also describe the Board's responsibility and discretion regarding waivers and conditions of approval, especially where appropriate to address compatibility with adjacent development. Finally, staff will provide a brief overview of the Board of Zoning Adjustment process and the criteria for special exceptions and variances.

This work session is for informational purposes only, no action is required by the Board.

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