## Potential Land Development Regulations for Medical Marijuana

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Board of County Commissioners

July 18, 2017

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#### **Medical Cannabis Use Background**

June 2014: Compassionate Use Act

signed into law (Low-THC)

Feb 2016: Five Dispensing Organizations

**Request Cultivation Authorization** 

Mar 2016: Governor Scott signs HB 307

(Medical Cannabis) into law

Nov. 2016: Legalization of Medical Marijuana

**Amendment 2 passes** 

Mar-May 2017: Six Proposed Bills on Medical Marijuana

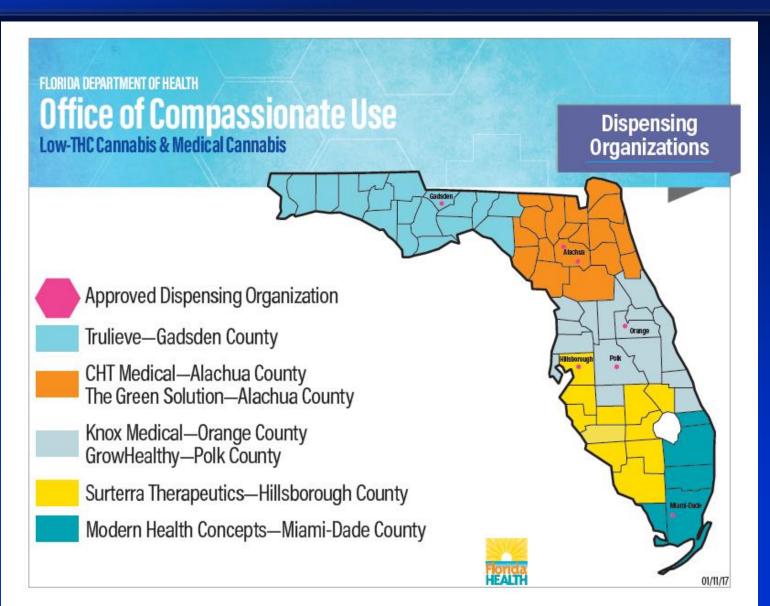
June 2017: Special Legislative Session Called –

**Added Medical Marijuana implementation** 

bill



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- June 9, 2017 Medical Use of Marijuana Act passes during special session
- Bill Provisions:
  - Exempt marijuana and devices from sales & use tax
  - Eliminates 90-day waiting period for patients
  - Reduces physician education requirement
  - Adds qualifying condition for chronic nonmalignant pain and terminal condition
  - Allows physicians to order low-THC only for pregnant patients
  - Increases amount of marijuana for patients to 70-day supply

#### Bill Provisions Continued:

- Allows marijuana edibles and vaping, prohibits smoking
- Establishes residency requirements for medical marijuana use ID card to include seasonal residents
- Provides qualifications for caregivers
- Medical use of marijuana not allowed public transportation, public place, or school bus, vehicle, aircraft or motorboat except for low-THC
- Requires DOH to license 10 total applicants as Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers (MMTC) by October 3rd

- Bill Provisions Continued:
  - Requires DOH to license four additional MMTCs within 6 months after registry contains 100,000 active patients
  - Limits MMTCs to 25 dispensing facilities each statewide until registry contains 100,000 active patients
    - Upon 100,000 active patients, MMTCs will each have an additional five dispensing facilities
    - MMTCs must allocate dispensing facilities within five regions statewide according to county population estimates within the region
      - Central Florida Region Brevard, Citrus, Hardee, Hernando, Indian River, Lake, Orange, Osceola, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Seminole, St. Lucie, Sumter and Volusia Counties

- Bill Provisions Continued:
  - MMTC applicant requirements
    - 5 consecutive years in business
    - Certificate of registration from Department of Agriculture
    - \$5 million performance bond
  - Diversity plan
  - Requires laboratory testing of MMTC products
  - Establishes standards for advertising
  - Preempts regulation of cultivation and processing of marijuana to state

#### Bill Provisions Continued:

- Authorizes local governments to ban dispensing facilities within jurisdiction, however if local governments do not ban dispensing facilities, they may not limit the number of dispensing facilities
- Regulations for permitting and location of dispensing facilities may not be more restrictive than regulations for pharmacies
- Does not require employer accommodation for medical use of marijuana or limit the ability to maintain a drugfree workplace
- Requires school districts to adopt policies to allow qualified students use of medical marijuana

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# Department of Health Rulemaking Process

- Department of Health issued proposed rule for Medical Marijuana Amendment 2
- Administrative rule revised per passage of SB 8-A
- Provides definitions, regulations for Compassionate Use registry, ID cards, registration and license requirements for MMTC and standards for seed-tosale tracking
- Rule effective July 3<sup>rd</sup>

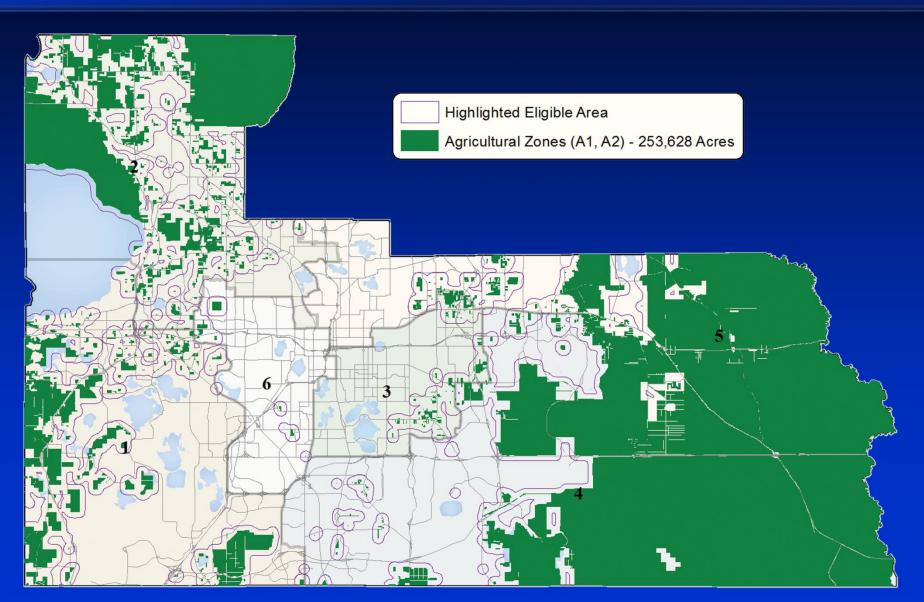
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## Potential Land Development Regulations

- Definitions
  - MMTC
  - Cultivating
  - Processing
  - Dispensing Facilities
  - Other relevant terms
- Proposed Zoning District for Cultivation and Processing
  - Agriculture: A-1 and A-2
  - Industrial: I2/I3 and I4
  - Cannot locate within 500 feet of real property that comprises a public or private elementary school, middle or secondary school
- Potential Requirements:
  - Obtain building/use permit
  - Comply with Florida Building and Fire Prevention Code
  - All other regulation is preempted to the State



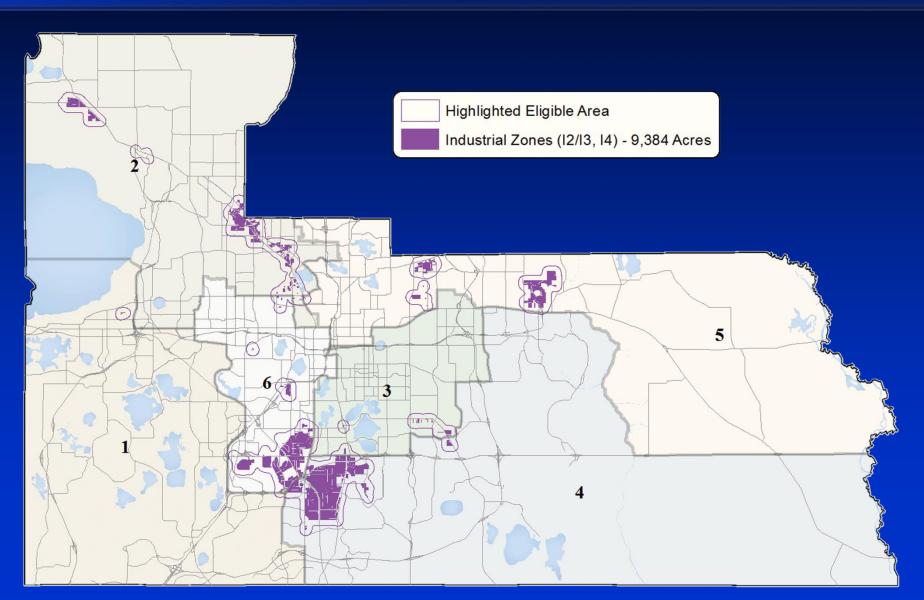
#### **Potential Land Development Regulations** Eligible Zoning A-1 & A-2 500' Buffer of School Parcels





### Potential Land Development Regulations Eligible Zoning I2/I3 and I4

500' Buffer of School Parcels (Analysis does not Include PDs with Industrial Usage)



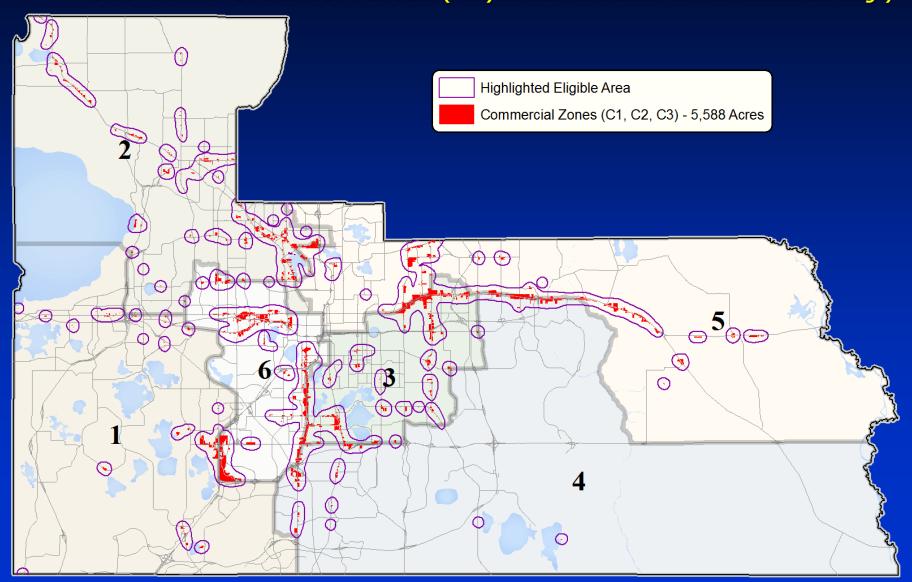
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- Options for Dispensing Facilities
  - Ban dispensing facilities entirely within unincorporated
     Orange County
    - -OR- if allowed
  - Cannot limit the number of dispensing facilities that may locate within unincorporated area
  - Dispensing facilities must be zoned in the same manner as pharmacies (C1, C2, and C3)
  - Cannot be located within 500 feet of real property that comprises a public or private elementary school, middle school or secondary school
  - Cannot charge permitting fees in excess of fees charged to pharmacies



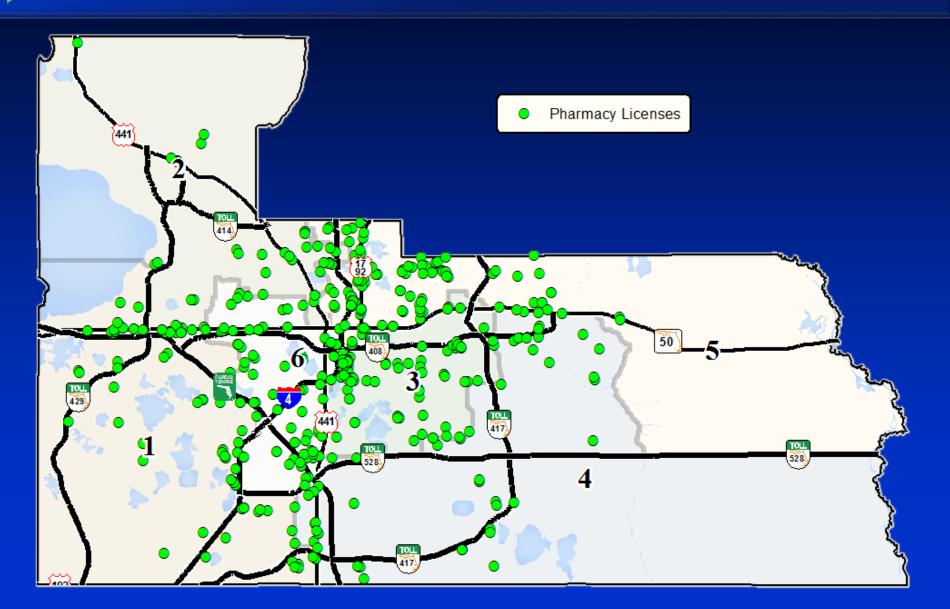
### **Potential Land Development Regulations Eligible Zoning C-1, C-2 & C-3**

500' Buffer of School Parcels (Analysis does not Include PDs with Commercial Usage)





## **Potential Land Development Regulations Pharmacy Licenses**



## Potential Land Development Regulations

#### Potential Requirements

- Obtain building/use permit
- Comply with Florida Building and Fire Prevention Code
- Parking Standards
- Hours of Operation
- Cannot dispense or sell alcoholic beverages, other types of cannabis or illicit drug-related products
- Signage
- Security
- Any other appropriate requirements

#### Penalties for Violation of Statute

 Third Degree Felony – cultivate, process, sell, distribute, dispense, manufacture, possess, provide, or exchange medical or low-THC cannabis or delivery device without state approvals

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- Board direction on banning or allowing medical cannabis dispensing facilities
- Schedule work session and ordinance adoption public hearing with LPA/PZC
- Schedule two ordinance adoption public hearings with Board

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