



Staff Report

Land Development Code Text Amendment

Applicant: *The City of Okeechobee*

Petition No.: *20-002-TA*



1375 Jackson Street # 206 Fort Myers, FL 33901

Based on direction from the Board at the July workshop and discussion of this issue at the August Workshop, the attached proposed Ordinance presents land development code amendments that will allow the City of Okeechobee to initiate zoning map changes and future land use map changes with less requirements than are currently required for map changes requested by property owners. As staff confirmed with other local governments, no survey is required for a city initiated rezoning or a city initiated future land use map amendment. Identifying the subject property on maps and providing a legal description is sufficient. Minor changes to the processing procedures of applicant-initiated map changes are also proposed in order to more clearly align with the manner in which requests are actually processed.

In addition to new application requirements proposed in Appendix A, some minor revisions are also proposed to Section 70-340 in order to broaden the applicability of the required findings for zoning map changes and land development code changes.

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Planning Board Meeting: September 17, 2020
City Council 1st Reading: (tentative) October 20, 2020
City Council 2nd Reading and Public Hearing: (tentative) November 17, 2020