

**ORDINANCE 17-10**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALACHUA, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE AMENDMENT OF THE OFFICIAL ZONING ATLAS; AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING ATLAS FROM RESIDENTIAL MULTIPLE FAMILY – 8 (“RMF-8”) TO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT – RESIDENTIAL (“PD-R”) ON APPROXIMATELY 35.82 ACRES; LOCATED WEST OF NW 173RD STREET (ALSO KNOWN AS COUNTY ROAD 235A), APPROXIMATELY 1,000 FEET SOUTH OF THE INTERSECTION OF NW US HIGHWAY 441 AND NW 173RD STREET; TAX PARCEL NUMBERS 03042-050-006, 03042-050-007, 03042-052-002, 03042-052-003, 03042-052-004, 03042-052-005, AND 03042-052-006; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, an application for a Site-Specific Amendment to the Official Zoning Atlas (“Amendment”), as described below, has been filed with the City by the M3 Alachua LLC, a Florida corporation (“Owner”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Owner desires to obtain approval for a Planned Development (“PD”) in the City known as Alachua West Planned Development – Residential (“PD-R” or “Project”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Owner wishes to construct the Project, consisting of a 143 lot residential development on the subject property, the legal description for which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and is herein referred to as the “Property”; and

**WHEREAS**, the City advertised a public hearing to be held before the Planning and Zoning Board, sitting as the Local Planning Agency (“LPA”), on June 1, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the LPA conducted a quasi-judicial public hearing on the proposed Amendment on June 13, 2017, and the LPA reviewed and considered all comments received during the public hearing concerning the proposed Amendment and made its recommendation to the City Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, the City advertised public hearings to be held before the City Commission on July 13, 2017, and on August 3, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission conducted quasi-judicial public hearings on the proposed Amendment on July 24, 2017, and August 14, 2017, and provided for and received public participation at both public hearings; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission has determined and found the proposed Amendment to be consistent with the City’s Comprehensive Plan and the City’s Land Development Regulations (“LDRs”); and

**WHEREAS**, for reasons set forth in this ordinance that is hereby adopted and incorporated as findings of fact, the Alachua City Commission finds and declares that the enactment of this Amendment is in the furtherance of the public health, safety, morals, order, comfort, convenience, appearance, prosperity, or general welfare.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ALACHUA, FLORIDA.**

**Section 1. Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law**

1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.
2. The proposed Amendment is in compliance with the City's LDRs.
3. The proposed Amendment will not cause a reduction in the adopted level of service standards for transportation, water, sewer, waste, stormwater, recreation, and public schools.

**Section 2. Official Zoning Atlas Amended**

The Official Zoning Atlas is hereby amended from Residential Multiple Family – 8 (“RMF-8”) to Planned Development–Residential (“PD-R”) for Tax Parcel Numbers 03042-050-006, 03042-050-007, 03042-052-002, 03042-052-003, 03042-052-004, 03042-052-005, and 03042-052-006 (“Property”), in accordance with the legal description found in Exhibit “A” and map found in Exhibit “B” attached hereto and incorporated herein.

**Section 3. Development Parameters**

1. The development shall consist of single-family residential development, community recreation, and stormwater/open space development areas as shown on the PD Master Plan. The density, intensity, allowable uses, acreage, and dimensional standards, where applicable, for each Development Area are as follows:

| Maximum Development Area & Density/ Intensity       | Allowable Uses                                | Maximum Potential Development | Acres | Dimensional Standards   | Percentage of PD |
|---|---|-------------------------------|-------|---|------------------|
| Single-Family Detached Residential<br><br>4 du/acre | Single-Family Residential Dwellings, Detached | 143 Dwelling Units            | ±29.5 | <p><b><u>Single-Family Detached</u></b></p> <p><i>Minimum Lot Area</i><br/>5,500 square feet</p> <p><i>Minimum Lot Width</i><br/>50 feet</p> <p><i>Setbacks</i><br/>Front (Primary) = 20’<br/>Front (Secondary) = 15’<br/>Side = 5’<br/>Rear=15’</p> <p><i>Maximum Building Height</i><br/>35 feet</p> <p><i>Maximum Lot Coverage</i><br/>65%</p> <p><i>Collector Street Building Setback</i><br/>75’ from ROW Centerline of CR 235-A</p> <p><i>Minimum Living Area</i><br/>750 square feet (per dwelling unit)</p> | ±82%             |

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|---|---|-------------------------------|-------|--|------------------|
| Open Space (Community Recreation)             | Private Parks; Playground Equipment; Sports Courts; and similar amenities and recreational trails | 0.50 FAR                      | ±0.50 | <i>Minimum Lot Area</i><br>5,500 square feet<br><i>Minimum Lot Width</i><br>50 feet<br><i>Setbacks</i><br>Front (Primary) = 20'<br>Front (Secondary) = 20'<br>Side = 25'<br>Rear=5'<br><i>Maximum Building Height</i><br>35 feet<br><i>Maximum Lot Coverage</i><br>65% | ±1.3%            |
| Stormwater/<br>Open Space<br><br>N/A          | N/A   | N/A                           | ±5.4  | N/A  | ±15%             |

2. The Project shall be developed in three (3) phases: Phase 1 shall consist of 50 units and associated infrastructure, stormwater management facilities for the entire project, open space, and recreation uses; Phase 2 shall consist of 53 units and associated infrastructure; and Phase 3 shall consist of 40 units and associated infrastructure. Construction of Phase 1 shall commence within one (1) year of the approval of Construction Plans for the Project. Phase 2 shall commence construction within three (3) years of the approval of Construction Plans for the Project. Phase 3 shall commence construction within five (5) years of the approval of Construction Plans for the Project. The design specifications of all infrastructure necessary to serve the Project (except for any development on the Community Recreation Tract as shown on the PD Master Plan) shall be shown on Construction Plans for the Project. The phasing of the Project shall be a maximum of 5 years.
3. The applicant shall provide an updated listed species and habitat survey as part of each Final PD Plan for the Project. The updated survey shall document if any listed species are observed on the Property. If a listed species is observed on the Property, the updated survey shall provide recommendations to address potential impacts to the listed species and to identify any permitting requirements of any local, State, or Federal governmental agencies.
4. If any wetlands are identified on the Property defined in Exhibit "A", such areas shall be field-delineated using professionally accepted methodology. All development in and/or near wetland areas shall be consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan and in compliance with the City's LDRs, as may be

amended from time to time, and shall grant conservation easements or other appropriate protective mechanisms, as determined by the City, to protect wetland areas.

5. Each Final PD Plan shall be consistent with the Goals, Objectives, and Policies of the Comprehensive Plan, as it may be amended from time to time, related to the eradication of invasive exotic plant species.
6. The Owner, or its successors and/or assigns, shall, concurrent with development of the Project, remove and destroy all Category I and II exotic plant species, as published in the most current version of the Florida Exotic Plant Council's List of Invasive Plant Species, located on the Property defined in Exhibit "A". Thereafter, the Owner, or its successors and/or assigns, shall assure long-term implementation of an exotic plants management plan approved with each new final development order and which shall be included in covenants and restrictions to be implemented by a properly structured property owner's association or other mechanism acceptable to the City.
7. The planting of any species identified in the most current version of the Florida Exotic Pest Plant Council's List of Invasive Plant Species shall be prohibited. Grasses and sods shall be certified free of noxious weeds by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Plant Industry.
8. The Owner, or its successors and/or assigns, shall utilize methods of minimizing impacts, such as appropriate Best Management Practices of the Suwannee River Water Management District, in order to reduce the potential for flash flooding, to avoid adverse impacts to water quality, and to incorporate existing drainage patterns to the greatest extent practicable. Upon approval from the City of Alachua and the Suwannee River Water Management District, enhancements may be permitted to the existing, natural conveyance system to mitigate for existing erosion and sedimentation, restoration of historical erosion and sedimentation damage, and preventing future adverse erosion and sedimentation.
9. If a Final PD Plan consists of development requiring Preliminary Plat review (single-family detached residential development), the Owner, or its successors and/or assigns, shall submit a utility system plan as part of the Construction Plans for the proposed subdivision. If a new Final PD Plan contains non-residential residential development, the Owner, or its successors and/or assigns, shall submit a utility system plan as part of the new Final PD Plan.
10. Development on the Property defined in Exhibit "A" shall include the following requirements:
  - a. The ingress/egress point to the Property defined in Exhibit "A" shall be located as depicted on the PD Master Plan. The design of all proposed roadways shall be consistent with the applicable standards of Article 7 of the City's LDRs and the City's Design and Construction Requirements (latest edition at the time of review of Construction Plans). The design of the proposed roadway shall be reviewed and approved as part of Construction Plans submitted for the subdivision review process, as further defined in Section 2.4.10 of the City's LDRs.
  - b. The Owner, or its successors and/or assigns, shall design, permit, and construct a stormwater management system necessary to serve the development. Stormwater management facilities shall be constructed concurrent with development of the Project. Sufficient stormwater capacity consistent with Section 6.9.3 of the City's LDRs must be provided concurrent with site improvements of the Project. On-site soil shall be appropriately prepared so as to alleviate any drainage issues.
  - c. Utilities shall be extended throughout the Project within areas designated as public right-of-ways, where practical. Utility infrastructure which must run outside the right-of-way, and which

will be maintained by the City, shall be located in easements granting access and maintenance of such infrastructure.

- d. The Owner, or its successors and/or assigns, shall be responsible for the provision of infrastructure for the Project. This shall include all on-site improvements and off-site improvements, including transportation infrastructure improvements, deemed necessary to support the development by the City in its sole discretion.
  - e. Facilities constructed on-site that are not dedicated to the City for maintenance shall be the responsibility of a legally established property owners' association. The property owners' association shall have the responsibility of maintenance of all common areas. In the event that common areas and required open space areas, as mandated by Sections 6.7.6, 6.9.3(E)(2), and 7.8.1 of the City's LDRs, or any amendments thereto, are not owned by a property owner's association, such areas shall be burdened by an easement that requires a property owner's association or another entity approved by the City to maintain such areas, and that restricts such areas in accordance with the City's requirements for such areas.
11. Electric System Requirements:
- a. The Owner, or its successors and/or assigns, shall be responsible to connect to the electric system of the electric service provider as necessary to serve the Project.
12. Water System Requirements:
- a. The Owner, or its successors and/or assigns, shall be responsible to connect to the City's potable water as necessary to serve the Project.
  - b. Water systems shall be designed to provide fire flow rates that conform to the current standards of the Florida Fire Prevention Code, Chapter 633, Florida Statutes, and the Florida Building Code.
13. Wastewater System Requirements:
- a. The Owner, or its successors and/or assigns, shall be responsible to design, permit, and construct wastewater main extensions and any other improvements, including but not limited to any lift station required and necessary to serve the Project.
14. The Owner, or its successors and/or assigns, shall submit a landscaping and buffering plan as part of each new Final PD Plan. The landscaping and buffering plan shall meet the requirements established by Section 6.2.2, *Landscaping Standards*, of the City's LDRs, or any amendments thereto. A landscape and buffering plan shall not be required if no landscaping required is required by Section 6.2.2 of the City's LDRs.
15. The Owner, or its successors and/or assigns, shall submit an open space plan as part of each new Final PD Plan. The open space plan shall meet the minimum requirements established by Section 6.7, *Open Space Standards*, of the City's LDRs, or any amendments thereto.
16. Open spaces and conservation areas shall account for a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the complete project.
17. If a Final PD Plan contains non-residential development, the Owner, or its successors and/or assigns, shall submit a lighting and photometric plan as part of the new Final PD Plan. The lighting and

photometric plan shall meet the requirements established by Section 6.4, *Exterior Lighting Standards*, of the City's LDRs, or any amendments thereto.

18. If a Final PD Plan contains non-residential development, the Owner, or its successors and/or assigns, shall submit a parking plan as part of the new Final PD Plan. The parking plan shall meet the requirements established by Section 6.1, *Off-Street Parking and Loading Standards*, of the City's LDRs, or any amendments thereto.
19. The Owner, or its successors and/or assigns, shall obtain all applicable permits from the Suwannee River Water Management District, Alachua County Public Works, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission, and any other Federal, State, or Local agency before the commencement of any development in the Project.
20. Each Final PD Plan shall be a Preliminary Plat for single-family detached residential development and a Site Plan for non-residential development, and shall adhere to all requirements of this PD Ordinance, the City's Comprehensive Plan, and the City's LDRs. Each new Final PD Plan shall also adhere to all requirements of the PD Master Plan and the PD Agreement for this Project.
21. Each Final PD Plan shall include the exact number of residential dwelling units and the exact intensity (square footage) of non-residential uses, as well as precise information regarding the layout of open space, circulation, and stormwater management.
22. A valid Planned Development Agreement shall be adopted concurrent with the approval of this Ordinance and the PD Master Plan.
23. The development parameters defined herein do not inordinately burden the development of the Property defined in Exhibit "A".
24. The rezoning of the Property defined in Exhibit "A" does not reserve concurrency for the Project.
25. The adoption of this Ordinance does not guarantee the approval of any development permits, including but not limited to, a Preliminary Plat, Construction Plans, or a Final Plat for the Project, or for any part or section thereof, for the Owner/Developer or its successors or assigns.
26. All development, including but not limited to new Final PD Plans for the Project, shall be governed by the laws, regulations, comprehensive plan and ordinances in effect at the time of the specific proposed development, and not as of the date of this ordinance.

#### **Section 4. Ordinance to be Construed Liberally**

This ordinance shall be liberally construed in order to effectively carry out the purposes hereof which are deemed to be in the best interest of the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens and residents of Alachua, Florida.

#### **Section 5. Repealing Clause**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are, to the extent they conflict with this ordinance, repealed.



**Section 6. Providing for Severability**

It is the declared intent of the Alachua City Commission that, if any section, sentence, clause, phrase, or provision of this ordinance is for any reason held or declared to be unconstitutional, void, or inoperative by a court or agency of competent jurisdiction, such holding of invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the remaining provisions of this ordinance and the remainder of this ordinance, after the exclusion of such part or parts, shall be deemed to be valid.

**Section 7. Effective Date**

This Ordinance shall be effective upon its passage and adoption on the second and final reading.

**PASSED** on first reading on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2017.

**PASSED** and **DULY ADOPTED**, in regular session, with a quorum present and voting, by the City Commission, upon second reading this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017.

**CITY COMMISSION OF THE  
CITY OF ALACHUA, FLORIDA**

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Gib Coerper, Mayor  
**SEAL**

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM**

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Traci L. Gresham, City Manager/Clerk

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Marian B. Rush, City Attorney

## **EXHIBIT “A”**

Tax Parcel Numbers 03042-050-006, 03042-050-007, 03042-052-002, 03042-052-003, 03042-052-004, 03042-052-005, and 03042-052-006

### **LEGAL DESCRIPTION:**

A tract of land situated in Sections 8 and 17, Township 8 South, Range 18 East, Alachua County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the southeast corner of Section 8, being the northeast corner of Section 17, Township 8 South, Range 18 East, and run S.87°26'55"W., along the section line, a distance of 50.01 Feet to the west right of way line of County Road No. 235-A (100 foot right of way) and the point of beginning; Thence run S.01°45'18"E., along said right of way line, a distance of 571.16 feet to the north right of way line of the former Seaboard Coastline Railroad; Thence run S.57°03'28"W., along said north right of way line, a distance of 1074.22 feet; thence run N.01°54'18"W., parallel with and one foot west of the west right of way line of the 20 foot wide American Telephone and Telegraph Company Easement as described in Official Records Book 415, Page 139 of the Public Records of Alachua County, Florida, a distance of 1114.62 feet to the south line of Section 8; Thence run S.87°26'55"W., along said south line, a distance of 360.41 feet; Thence run N.01°54'18"W., a distance of 611.28 feet to the southwest corner of the lands described in Official Records Book 2918, Page 1475 of said Public Records; Thence run N.87°27'04"E., along the south line of said lands, and along the south line of the lands described in Official Records Book 2241, Page 1384 of said Public Records, a distance of 1283.53 feet to the aforementioned west right of way line of County Road No. 235-A; Thence run S.01°47'55"E., along said right of way line, a distance of 611.24 feet to the point of beginning.



## EXHIBIT "B"

