

Alachua County, FL

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Legislation Text

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Agenda Item Name:

Public Hearing to Consider an Ordinance Updating the Alachua County Housing and Maintenance Code by Adopting the International Property Maintenance Code, In Part.

Presenter:

Harold Horne, Codes Administration Manager

Description:

This is a public hearing to consider an ordinance updating the Alachua County Housing and Maintenance Code to adopt the current version of the International Property Maintenance Code, In Part.

Recommended Action:

Convene as the Land Development Regulation Commission and find the proposed amendments to the Unified Land Development Code consistent with the Alachua County Comprehensive Plan. Reconvene as the Board of County Commissioners and Approve the ordinance updating the Alachua County Housing and Maintenance Code

Prior Board Motions:

On June 28, 2022, the Board approved the request to advertise the public hearing to consider the ordinance

Fiscal Consideration:

There is no cost associated with this ordinance updating the Code.

Strategic Guide:

All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

Background:

The Alachua County previously adopted the 1991 Standard Housing Code, 1991 edition, promulgated by the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc. to be the standards for minimum housing. The Standard Housing Code is out of date and is no longer the model generally followed. The proposed ordinance updates the minimum housing and maintenance standards for structures and premises by adopting the International Property and Maintenance Code, 2021 edition, (IPMC) in part. Those provisions of the IPMC that are not adopted by the County or are amended are referenced in the ordinance. The ordinance also modifies the definition of dangerous structure to match that which is included in the IPMC. The IPMC includes certain such as no holes in floors, ceilings, and walls; foundations free of cracks and able to support the structure; working plumbing, and other standards that are to protect public health, safety and welfare.