

LLTP TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS

Some areas of the task force's discussions were determined to be relevant but outside of its scope; therefore, the task force agreed to include a list of recommendations in an attachment to the final report to the Board.

1. Section 62-3634, Exemptions: The task force is unanimously opposed to exempting linear projects and recommends that this exemption be deleted. All projects, whether private, public or institutional, should comply with these regulations.
2. Section 62-3643, Incentives for Increased Canopy and Tree Preservation and Increased Landscaping: Increased density incentives may not be implementable unless other provisions are waived (e.g., zoning for lot size).
3. Section 62-3643, Incentives for Increased Canopy and Tree Preservation and Increased Landscaping: In addition to density bonuses, the task force recommends that a reduction of lot widths and sizes also be considered as an incentive.
4. Section 62-3644, Waivers and Alternative Landscape Enhancement Plans: The task force recommends that compensation for the loss of canopy and protected trees be established via Resolution. A draft Resolution is attached to the final package.
5. The proposed Article is intended to reflect all landscaping regulations; therefore other landscaping regulations should be deleted (e.g., the 15-foot Land Development buffer requirement would become obsolete).
6. Section 62-3636, Violations: The task force recommends that the trust fund money be spent for acquisition, restoration and maintenance of environmentally preserved land – not for such items as maintenance of road easements.
7. Modifications to storm water design may be necessary.
8. Section 62-3737, Permit Application Requirements and Review Process: A pre-design walk-through site evaluation should be completed before the site plan is developed.
9. After the final meeting of the LLTP Task Force, Lisa Smith suggested that another list be considered for inclusion in Appendix A. According to Lisa, the "IFAS Assessment of the Status of Non-Native Plants in Florida's Natural Areas" is comprehensive and scientifically supported. It is not as limited as the State lists and not as broad as the FLEPPC list. This list is located at <http://plants.ifas.ufl.edu/assessment.html#wkgroup>. Since the task force is no longer meeting, Lisa's recommendation is included here for the Board's consideration.