# Proposed Ordinance Amendments

Revisions to Chapter 138 and 154

December 16, 2025





#### **Our Vision:**

To Be the Standard for Public Service in America.

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#### **Amend the Pinellas County Land Development Code**

**Chapter 138 - Zoning, Article II – Administration and Enforcement** 

Chapter 154 – Site Development, Right-of-Way Improvements, Subdivisions, and Platting, Article I – In General, and Article V – Subdivisions, Platting, and Vacations

#### **Drivers**

• Florida SB 812 (2024) changed the platting process by requiring the approval of a preliminary plat.

 Florida SB 784 (2025) changed the platting process by requiring local governments to approve plats and replats administratively by designated staff, rather than through public hearings before a governing body.

## **Proposed Changes**



#### **Chapter 138 - Zoning, Article II – Administration and Enforcement**

- Include preliminary plats as department review.
- Revise final plat from BOCC approval to County Administrator or designee approval.
- Redefine minor plat as a minor subdivision.
- Minor cleanup for consistency with Chapter 154.



## **Proposed Changes**



Chapter 154 – Site Development, Right-of-Way Improvements, Subdivisions, and Platting, Article I – In General, and Article V – Subdivisions, Platting, and Vacations

- Define "Administrative Authority" to receive, review, and process plat or replat submittals.
- Define "Administrative Official" to approve plats or replats.
- Updates definitions for preliminary and final plat.
- Creates a two-step review process for the adoption of a "preliminary plat" to expedite residential permitting before a "final plat" is recorded.



### Recommendation



#### **Proposed Amendments**

- Reviewed by internal and external stakeholders.
- Vetted by County Attorney for consistency with new State Law.
- Consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.
- No financial impact to customers; changes streamline the plat approval process.

#### **Staff recommends approval**

## LPA recommended approval on 11/12/2025

Case: LDR-25-01

