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IMPORTANT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FOR
AMENDMENT OF COUNTYWIDE PLAN

This letter is to notify you of an upcoming public hearing that concerns property in your jurisdiction. The date, time and location of the public hearing, as well as details of the proposed changes, are listed in the attached Notice of Public Hearing.

The public hearing will consider a proposed amendment to the Countywide Plan Map, a part of the *Countywide Plan for Pinellas County*. Forward Pinellas, in its role as the Pinellas Planning Council, will make an advisory recommendation to the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners, acting in its Countywide Planning Authority (CPA), on the proposed amendment. The CPA will subsequently hold a public hearing to be scheduled by the CPA, and advertised separately, after receiving the Forward Pinellas recommendation.

Forward Pinellas public hearing submission guidelines are included herein, and public hearing procedures are also attached. Please note any written materials to be considered at public hearing need to be submitted not later than seven (7) days prior to the public hearing date.

Please contact us at the address or telephone number listed above with any questions.

PUBLIC HEARING PROCEDURES

Public Hearings before Forward Pinellas, in its role as the Pinellas Planning Council (PPC), are governed by PPC Resolution No. 96-2 which is outlined on the reverse side.

Because this process encourages and provides for testimony to be submitted in writing in advance of the hearing, the following guidelines are expected to be sufficient to accommodate efficient presentations:

- The applicant should complete their presentation in ten (10) minutes.
- Persons who have been authorized to represent an organization or group of five (5) or more persons should limit their presentation to ten (10) minutes. It is expected that others in the organization or group will waive their time.
- All other persons may speak up to a total of three (3) minutes each.

The procedure provides that, at the conclusion of each of the respective presentations by staff, Planners Advisory Committee (PAC), applicant local government, proponents, opponents and other citizens, an affected party may seek the Chair's permission to ask questions or seek clarification from the respective presenter.

The applicant's rebuttal shall only address testimony subsequent to their presentation. Only points of law or fact will be entertained by the Chair following rebuttal.

Please see reverse side for order of presentation.

PUBLIC HEARING

OPENING PROCEDURES
Explanation of Hearing Process - Chair
Swearing In - Reporter

STAFF PRESENTATION
10 minutes max.

PAC COMMENTS - AS NECESSARY
5 minutes max.

APPLICANT LOCAL GOVT.
10 minutes max.

PROponents - PRESENTATIONS/INQUIRIES
Applicant Property Owner - 10 minutes max.
Public - Desig. Repres. - 10 minutes max.
- Individual - 3 minutes max.

OPponents - PRESENTATIONS/INQUIRIES
Subject Property Owner- 10 minutes max.
Public - Desig. Rep. - 10 minutes max.
- Individual - 3 minutes max.

OTHER CITIZENS - COMMENTS/QUESTIONS
(Other Than Proponents/Oponents)
3 minutes max.

REBUTTAL BY APPLICANT
Local Government - 5 minutes max.
Applicant Property Owner - 5 minutes max.

STAFF RESPONSE/SUMMARY
5 minutes max.

BOARD QUESTIONS

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

BOARD ACTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR AMENDMENT OF THE COUNTYWIDE PLAN MAP

Forward Pinellas, in its role as the Pinellas Planning Council, will conduct public hearings on proposed amendment(s) to the Countywide Plan Map, pursuant to the Countywide Plan, as amended, and as set forth in the listing below.

The Forward Pinellas public hearing will be held on Wednesday, September 11, 2024, at 1:00 P.M. or as soon thereafter as the agenda permits, in the Palm Room of the Pinellas County Communications Building, 333 Chestnut Street, Clearwater, Florida.

The public is hereby advised that the effect of any proposed amendment may significantly impact the type and intensity of use of the subject property and may be of interest to neighboring property owners. Forward Pinellas will make an advisory recommendation to the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners, acting in its Countywide Planning Authority (CPA), on the proposed amendment, or to other plan categories as determined appropriate in accordance with Chapter 2012-245, Laws of Florida, and the Countywide Plan. The CPA will subsequently hold a public hearing to be scheduled by the CPA, and advertised separately, subsequent to receiving the Forward Pinellas recommendation.

The subsequent action of the CPA may amend the Countywide Plan Map from the existing plan category to another plan category, as may be determined appropriate based on the public hearings and consistent with the Countywide Plan and procedures related thereto.

Proposed Countywide Plan Map amendment(s) to be heard by Forward Pinellas and the CPA:

Case CW 24-14 – Submitted by Pinellas County – 0.15 acres m.o.l.

From: Residential Low Medium
To: Retail & Services
Location: 2520 55th Avenue North, St Petersburg

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Case CW 24-15 – Submitted by City of Largo – 1.12 acres m.o.l.

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Case CW 24-16 – Submitted by City of Largo – 1.46 acres m.o.l.

From: Retail & Services, Office and Scenic/Noncommercial Corridor
To: Retail & Services and Scenic/Noncommercial Corridor
Location: 3950 East Bay Drive, Largo

The current Office category is used to depict areas that are developed, or appropriate to be developed, with office uses, low-impact employment uses, and residential uses (subject to an acreage threshold), in areas characterized by a transition between residential and commercial uses and in areas well-suited for community-scale residential/office mixed-use development. The current and proposed Retail & Services category is used to depict areas developed with a mix of businesses that provide for the shopping and personal service needs of the community or region, provide for employment opportunities and accommodate target employment uses, and may include residential uses as part of the mix of uses.

The current and proposed Scenic/Noncommercial Corridor category is an overlay intended to guide the preservation and enhancement of scenic qualities and to maintain and enhance the traffic operation of corridors of countywide significance. This amendment will necessitate reclassifying the Scenic/Noncommercial Corridor designation from Residential to Mixed Use, aligning with the proposed use and ensuring consistency with the Countywide Rules.

Case CW 24-17 – Submitted by City of Clearwater – 2.28 acres m.o.l.

From: Public/Semi-Public and Scenic/Noncommercial Corridor
To: Retail & Services and Scenic/Noncommercial Corridor
Location: 407 S Saturn Avenue, Clearwater

The current Public/Semi-Public category is intended to recognize institutional and transportation/utility uses that serve the community or region, especially larger facilities having acreage exceeding the thresholds established in other plan categories, and which are consistent with the need, character, and scale of such uses relative to the surrounding uses, transportation facilities, and natural resource features, and may include residential uses as part of the mix of uses. The proposed Retail & Services category is used to depict areas developed with a mix of businesses that provide for the shopping and personal service needs of the community or region, provide for employment opportunities and accommodate target employment uses, and may include residential uses as part of the mix of uses.

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Case CW 24-18 – Submitted by City of St. Petersburg – 5.09 acres m.o.l.

From: Public/Semi-Public
To: Residential Medium
Location: 6942 1st Avenue South and two unaddressed parcels bounded by 1st Avenue South, 70th Street South, 2nd Avenue South, and 71st Street South, St. Petersburg

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In review of the amendment(s) above, there may be modifications that arise at the public hearing and/or with other responsible parties.

The details of the proposed amendment(s) are available at the Forward Pinellas office, 310 Court St., 2nd Floor, Clearwater, FL, 33756-5137. In addition, you may call Forward Pinellas at (727) 464-8250 or email your questions to info@forwardpinellas.org. Interested parties are invited to participate in the hearings to present facts or express views on any case outlined in this advertisement.

Those wishing to provide comments are encouraged to do so in advance by leaving a voicemail at 727-464-5307; or by advance written comment at info@forwardpinellas.org. All comments received by 5:00 p.m. the day before the meeting will be included as part of the official record for this meeting and will be available to be considered by Forward Pinellas prior to any action taken.

Persons who are deaf or hard of hearing may provide public input on any agenda item through use of these numbers via the State of Florida's relay service, at 7-1-1. For more visit www.ftri.org/relay/faqs.

Visual Presentation Materials, Documents, or Photos

All presentation materials, documents, or photos that are to be presented or entered into the record for a public hearing item **MUST BE RECEIVED NOT LATER THAN SEVEN (7) CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC HEARING**. Materials, documents, or photos for a public hearing should be submitted via email or mail.

Email Address (for submitting materials, documents, and photos ONLY):
info@forwardpinellas.org

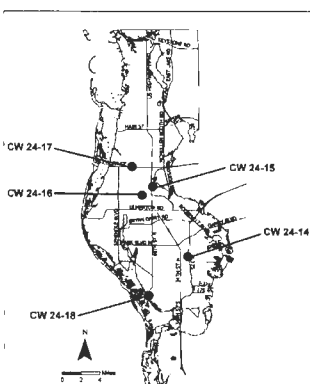
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All submissions **MUST** be accompanied by information that contains:

- The identity of the sender,
- Contact information for the sender,
- The agenda date and agenda number or public hearing topic information to identify the matter.

Failure to comply with these provisions may result in the submission not being available for the public hearing. Answers to questions on the submission of presentation materials, documents or photos for public hearings may be received by leaving a message at 727-464-5307.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES WHO NEED REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS TO EFFECTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING ARE ASKED TO CONTACT PINELLAS COUNTY'S OFFICE OF HUMAN RIGHTS BY EMAILING SUCH REQUESTS TO ACCOMMODATIONS@PINELLAS.GOV AT LEAST THREE (3) BUSINESS DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE NEED FOR REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION. YOU MAY ALSO CALL (727) 464-4882 (VOICE) OR (727) 464-4062 (TDD). MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE ADA, AND REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION, MAY BE FOUND AT PINELLAS.GOV/ACCESSIBILITY-ASSISTANCE.



PUBLIC NOTICE OF LIVE PUBLIC HEARING INCLUDING VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION FOR AMENDMENT OF THE COUNTYWIDE PLAN MAP

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A public hearing on the ordinance(s) with virtual public participation and an on-site participation option will be held on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, at 9:30 A.M., or as soon thereafter as may be accommodated by the completion of the rest of the Board agenda, in the Palm Room of the Pinellas County Communications Building, 333 Chestnut Street, Clearwater, FL 33756, with virtual participation utilizing Communications Media Technology (CMT) on the Zoom platform.

The public hearing will be streamed live, and can be accessed from <https://youtube.com/pcctv1> (click on "Pinellas County Meetings") or pinellas.gov/TV. It will also be broadcast on the following Pinellas County cable public access channels:
Spectrum Channel 637 Frontier Channel 44 WOW! Channel 18

The agenda for this meeting and information about participation options can be found at pinellas.gov/board-of-county-commissioners-meetings. Interested parties may appear at the hearing or use one of the other methods below to be heard regarding the proposed ordinances to be considered by the County Commission in its role as the CPA. Members of the public wishing to address the body may attend in person, attend virtually or provide comments in advance.

To address the County Commission in person, members of the public are encouraged to preregister at pinellas.gov/comment. Preregistration is encouraged but not required if individuals plan to attend the meeting. Those who have not preregistered may register when they arrive.

Members of the public wishing to address the body virtually via Zoom or by phone are required to preregister by 5:00 P.M. the day before the meeting by visiting pinellas.gov/comment. The registration form requires full name, address and telephone number if joining by phone, along with the topic or agenda item to be addressed. Members of the public who cannot access the registration form via the internet may call (727) 464-3000 to request assistance preregistering. Only members of the public who have preregistered by 5:00 P.M. the day before the meeting will be recognized and unmuted to offer comments. If a member of the public does not log in with the same Zoom name or phone number provided in the registration form, they may not be recognized to speak.

Members of the public wishing to provide comments in advance may call the Agenda Comment Line at (727) 464-4400 or complete the online comment form at pinellas.gov/BCCAgendaComment. Comments on any agenda item must be submitted by 5:00 P.M. the day before the meeting. All comments on any agenda item received by 5:00 P.M. the day before the meeting will be included as part of the official record for this meeting and will be available to be considered by the County Commission prior to any action taken.

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