

**July 12, 2017**

**5B1. Case CW 17- 6 – City of Clearwater**



**SUMMARY**

From: Residential Low Medium  
To: Recreation/Open Space  
Area: 0.8 acres m.o.l.  
Location: 3111 & 3109 Wolfe Road; 421 & 501 North McMullen-Booth Road

This proposed amendment is submitted by the City of Clearwater and seeks to amend a property totaling approximately 0.8 acres from Residential Low Medium (used to depict areas that are primarily well-suited for suburban, low density or moderately dense residential uses at a maximum density of 10 dwelling units per acre) to Recreation/Open Space (is intended to recognize areas appropriate for public and private open spaces and recreational facilities that serve the community or region). This amendment qualifies as a Type B subthreshold amendment because it is changing the classification to the Recreation/Open Space category.

The subject property is comprised of four parcels that are vacant and within Pinellas County's jurisdiction. A Petition for Annexation is being processed concurrently with this case. The proposed use is for the City of Clearwater's Ream Wilson Trailhead. If approved, this amendment will be consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan.

**FINDINGS**

Staff submits the following findings in support of the recommendation for approval:

- A. The Recreation/Open Space category recognizes the proposed use of the site, and is consistent with the criteria for utilization of this category.
- B. The proposed amendment either does not involve, or will not significantly impact, the remaining relevant countywide considerations.

Please see accompanying attachments and documents in explanation and support of these findings.

**LIST OF MAPS & ATTACHMENTS:**

- Map 1 Locator Map
- Map 2 Site Map
- Map 3 Aerial Map
- Map 4 Current Countywide Plan Map
- Map 5 Proposed Countywide Plan Map

**MEETING DATES:**

Planners Advisory Committee, July 5, 2017 at 1:30 p.m.  
Forward Pinellas, July 12, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.  
Countywide Planning Authority, August 1, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.

**ACTION:** Board, in its role as the Pinellas Planning Council, to recommend approval or denial of the requested amendment to the Countywide Planning Authority.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** The staff recommends to the board that it recommend approval of the requested amendment.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION(S):** The Planners Advisory Committee met on July 5, 2017 and voted 8-0 to approve this amendment.

**FORWARD PINELLAS BOARD RECOMMENDATION:** The Board met on July 12, 2017 and voted 12-0 to recommend approval of this amendment.