

# Development Services Advisory Committee Land Development Review Subcommittee

- Special Public Meeting -

# Tuesday, May 21, 2024 3:00 pm

2800 N. Horseshoe Dr. Naples, FL 34104 Growth Management Community Development Department Conference Room 609/610

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# Collier County

### DSAC – Land Development Review Subcommittee 2024 Land Development Code Amendments - Special Public Meeting -

Agenda Tuesday, May 21, 2024 3:00 pm 2800 N. Horseshoe Dr., Naples, FL 34104 Growth Management Community Development, Conference Rooms 609/610

#### NOTICE:

Persons wishing to speak on any Agenda item will receive up to three (3) minutes unless the Chairman adjusts the time. Speakers are required to fill out a "Speaker Registration Form", list the topic they wish to address, and hand it to the Staff member before the meeting begins. Please wait to be recognized by the Chairman and speak into a microphone. State your name and affiliation before commenting. During the discussion, Committee Members may direct questions to the speaker.

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- 1. Call to order Chairman.
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Old Business
- 4. New Business
  - a. PL20210002602 Rural Architectural Standards
  - b. PL20240005299 Major Transit Stop Definition
- 5. Public Speakers
- 6. Upcoming DSAC-LDR Subcommittee Meeting Dates:
  - a. Tuesday, July 16, 2024
  - b. Tuesday, October 15, 2024
- 7. Adjourn

#### FUTURE MEETING DATES:

Tuesday, July 16, 2024 Tuesday, October 15, 2024

### Attendance Sign-In Sheet

Development Services Advisory Committee – Land Development Review Subcommittee Tuesday, May 21, 2024

GMCD Building, Conference Room 609/610

3:00 PM

Committee Members								
Name	Signature							
Clay Brooker								
Jeff Curl								
Blair Foley								
Mark McLean								
Robert Mulhere								
James Boughton (Optional)								
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Mike Bosi, Planning and Zoning Division Director								
Eric Johnson, LDC Planning Manager	Empl							
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# Rural Architectural **Standards**

Land Development Code Amendment PL20210002602



# Overview - History

On September 24, 2019, the BCC approved an amended version of the Golden Gate Area Master Plan (GGAMP), resulting in the adoption of three Sub-Elements:

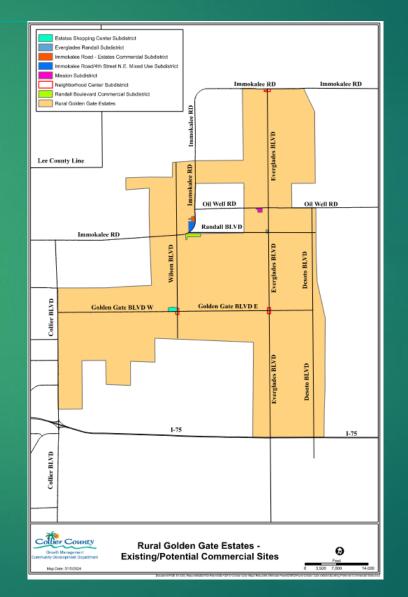
- 1. Golden Gate City
- 2. Urban Golden Gate Estates
- 3. Rural Golden Gate Estates

The Urban & Rural Golden Gate Estates Sub-Elements contain a policy related to initiating rural architectural standard requirements in the Land Development Code (LDC), which states as follows:

"The County shall initiate architectural standard requirements in the Land Development Code within two years of adoption that apply to **commercial, conditional use and essential services facilities**, reflecting the rural character of the Estates area and providing coherence and area identity."

# Existing/Potential Commercial Sites





# Staff Pictures – Sites within Affected Area



# Staff Pictures – Sites outside Affected Area









# LDC Amendment

- This LDC amendment introduces design standards for new commercial, conditional use, & essential service facilities located within the Urban & Rural Golden Gate Estates.
- Includes design standards related to:
  - Roof type, material, & decorative elements (dormers/cupolas/cornices/etc.)
  - Entry features (porches/verandas/colonnades/etc.)
  - Exterior wall materials
  - Window designs
  - Freestanding lighting fixture height
  - Fences & walls

# Roof type, materials, & elements





Standard seam



V crimp



# Entry features



Decorative brackets

Columns/posts

# Exterior wall materials



Board/batten siding



Clapboard siding



Vergeboard

## Windows



Mullion



### Bahama shutters





### Side shutters

### Fences



### Split rail, 3 board, 4 board





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# Recommendation

• Staff is seeking a recommendation of approval or approval with conditions for PL20210002602.

# **Questions or Comments?**



# SB 328

SB 328, which amends Live Local, was approved by the Governor on May 16

Removes the need to create a definition for "major transit stop"

### Staff proposed definition for "Transit Stop"

• A designated area along a fixed, local public transit route where Collier Area Transit (CAT) buses stop to load and unload passengers.

### Interpretation of SB 328 definition for "Major Transportation Hub"

 For purposes of this paragraph, the term "major transportation hub" means any transit station, whether bus, train, or light rail, which is served by public transit with a mix of other transportation options. THIS PAGE INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK



#### LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENT

**PETITION** PL20210002602

#### SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT

ORIGINestablBoard of CountycommCommissioners (Board)of ref.

This Land Development Code (LDC) amendment adds a new subsection to establish rural architectural standard requirements, applicable to commercial, conditional use, and essential services facilities, with the goal of reflecting the rural character of the Estates area. This LDC amendment will serve to implement policies of the Golden Gate Area Master Plan (GGAMP), adopted by the Board on September 24, 2019.

HEARING I	DATES	LDC SE	CTION TO BE AMENDED				
Board	TBD	5.05.08	Architectural and Site Design Standards				
CCPC	TBD						
DSAC	TBD						
DSAC-LDR	05/21/2024						
ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS							

DSAC-LDR	DSAC	ССРС					
TBD	TBD	TBD					

#### BACKGROUND

On September 24, 2019, the Board approved a trifurcated version of the GGAMP, resulting in the adoption of three Sub-Elements and nine separate ordinances (Ord. 2019-24 through Ord. 2019-31). Two of the three Sub-Elements in the GGAMP contain policies relating to rural architectural standards. This LDC amendment will serve to implement Policy 3.1.2 in Ordinance 2019-25 (Urban Golden Gate Estates Sub-Element) and Policy 4.1.2 in Ordinance 2019-26 (Rural Golden Gate Estates Sub-Element), which states as follows:

The County shall initiate architectural standard requirements in the Land Development Code within two years of adoption that apply to commercial, conditional use and essential services facilities, reflecting the rural character of the Estates area and providing coherence and area identity.

Unlike other well-known architectural styles in North America, such as Art Deco, Beaux-Arts, Gothic, Neoclassical, or Spanish Mediterranean, there is no distinct definition, set of principles, or architectural designs associated with the term "rural character." The term is subjective and varies from community to community. The proposed standards in this LDC amendment are based on Staff's visits to numerous sites throughout the County, both inside and outside the affected area, observing buildings with Florida Vernacular, Old Florida, and/or Key West design features (see Exhibits "C" and "D"). The proposed standards would be applicable to following building and site components: Gutters/downspouts, roofs, porches, materials used on the exterior walls, windows, freestanding outdoor lighting fixtures, and fences/walls.

FISCAL & OPERATIONAL IMPACTS	GMP CONSISTENCY
There are no anticipated fiscal or operational	The proposed LDC amendment has been reviewed by
impacts associated with this amendment.	Comprehensive Planning staff and may be deemed
	consistent with the GMP.

**EXHIBITS**: A) Excerpt of Ord. 2019-25; B) Exerpt of Ord. 2019-26; C) Sites Located within Affected Area; and D) Sites Located Outside Affected Area

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b) A front porch must encompass an area no less than 50 percent of the primary façade(s).						
c) Porches shall be comprised of at least two of the following:						
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the following:						
a) Mullions;						
b) Bahama shutters; or						
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Freestanding outdoor lighting fixtures shall not exceed 20 feet in						
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#### Exhibit A – Excerpt from Ord. 2019-25

#### GOAL 3:

TO PRESERVE THE AREA'S RURAL CHARACTER, AS DEFINED BY LARGE WOODED LOTS, THE KEEPING OF LIVESTOCK, THE ABILITY TO GROW CROPS, WILDLIFE RESIDENTIAL STEWARDSHIP, LOW-DENSITY ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITY. DEVELOPMENT, AND LIMITATIONS ON COMMERCIAL AND CONDITIONAL USES.

#### **OBJECTIVE 3.1:**

Balance the provision of public infrastructure with the need to preserve the rural character of Urban Golden Gate Estates.

#### Policy 3.1.1:

Future road and bridge improvements in Urban Golden Gate Estates shall not only provide for safety and reasonable mobility, but shall also contribute to the rural character of the area. Transportation improvements shall be designed in context with their setting.

#### Policy 3.1.2

The County shall initiate architectural standard requirements in the Land Development Code within two years of adoption that apply to commercial, conditional use and essential services

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#### facilities, reflecting the rural character of the Estates area and providing coherence and area identity.

#### Policy 3.1.3:

The County Manager or designee shall create a public network of greenway corridors within Urban Golden Gate Estates that interconnects public lands and permanently protected green space. The greenway network shall consist of interconnected trails and paths that allow people to move about the Estates area by means other than motorized vehicles. All greenways shall be constructed within or abutting existing or future public easements or rights-of-way. In creating the greenway network, the County shall not employ eminent domain proceedings.

#### Exhibit B – Excerpt from Ord. 2019-26

#### Policy 3.1.2:

Conditional Uses within Rural Golden Gate Estates shall be subject to locational and dimensional criteria established within the Conditional Use Subdistrict in the Land Use Designation Description section of this Rural Golden Gate Sub-Element.

#### **OBJECTIVE 3.2:**

Provide for new commercial development within Neighborhood Centers and other future Commercial Land Use Designations.

#### Policy 3.2.1:

Within one year of the completion of the Randall Blvd. and Oil Well Rd. Corridor study, the County Manager or designee shall initiate an evaluation of the future land uses along Immokalee Rd. in the vicinity of Randall Blvd., Oil Well Rd. and Wilson Blvd. (as generally shown on the Immokalee Rd./Randall Blvd. Planning Study Area Map) and make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners for any proposed changes to the future land uses.

#### GOAL 4:

TO PRESERVE THE AREA'S RURAL CHARACTER, AS DEFINED BY LARGE WOODED LOTS, THE KEEPING OF LIVESTOCK, THE ABILITY TO GROW CROPS, WILDLIFE ACTIVITY, ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP, LOW-DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, AND LIMITATIONS ON COMMERCIAL AND CONDITIONAL USES.

#### **OBJECTIVE 4.1:**

Balance the provision of public infrastructure with the need to preserve the rural character of Rural Golden Gate Estates.

#### Policy 4.1.1:

Future road and bridge improvements in Rural Golden Gate Estates shall not only provide for safety and reasonable mobility, but shall also contribute to the rural character of the area. Transportation improvements shall be designed in context with their setting.

#### Policy 4.1.2:

The County shall initiate architectural standard requirements in the Land Development Code within two years of adoption that apply to commercial, conditional use and essential services facilities, reflecting the rural character of the Estates area and providing coherence and area identity.

#### Policy 4.1.3:

The County Manager or designee shall create a public network of greenway corridors within Rural Golden Gate Estates that interconnects public lands and permanently protected green space. The greenway network shall consist of interconnected trails and paths that allow people to move about the Estates area by means other than motorized vehicles. All greenways shall be constructed within or abutting existing or future public easements or rights-of-way. In creating the greenway network, the County shall not employ eminent domain proceedings.

#### **OBJECTIVE 4.2:**

Provide for the protection of the rural character of Rural Golden Gate Estates.

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# LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENT

# PETITION

ORIGIN

PL20240005299

Growth Management

**Community Development** 

# SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT

This Land Development Code (LDC) amendment proposes to define major transit stop. LDC amendments are reviewed by the Board of County Commissioners (Board), Collier County Planning Commission (CCPC), Development Services Advisory Committee (DSAC), and the Land Development Review Subcommittee of the DSAC (DSAC-LDR Subcommittee).

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Board	TBD	1.08.02	Definitions				
CCPC	TBD						
DSAC	TBD						
DSAC-LDR	05/21/2024						
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# BACKGROUND

On April 9, 2024, the Board was asked to review and approve staff's administrative application process for projects intending to utilize the provisions of Florida Statutes section 125.01055(7)(a) through (e), which is a State law adopted in 2023, otherwise known as the Live Local Act or SB 102. According to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, the "Live Local Act is a comprehensive, statewide workforce housing strategy, designed to increase the availability of affordable housing opportunities for Florida's workforce..." The new law preempts local government from having the ability to regulate certain site development standards.

One topic that the Board discussed regarding the Live Local Act, is the requirement for the County to consider a reduction of parking requirements for a proposed development located within one-half mile of a *major transit stop*. The Live Local Act specifically states:

"A county must consider reducing parking requirements for a proposed development authorized under this subsection if the development is located within one-half mile of a major transit stop, as defined in the county's land development code, and the major transit stop is accessible from the development."

During the Board's discussion, concern was raised with this requirement because the County's LDC does not currently define "major transit stop" and therefore, the application of this provision has been left to staff's interpretation. Staff's initial interpretation of a "major transit stop" included all bus stops along Collier Area Transit (CAT) bus routes that include a covered bench structure. Staff's previous interpretation also included bus stops located at the intersection of two or more major bus routes. However, after discussing the matter at the meeting and disagreeing with staff's interpretation, the Board unanimously voted to define "major transit stop" as a public transit stop that would be represented by



three existing CAT transfer stations located at: 1) Government Center Transfer Station (3355 East Tamiami Trail, Naples); 2) Radio Road Transfer Station (CAT Headquarters) (8300 Radio Road, Naples); and 3) Florida Department of Health Immokalee Office (419 N 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Immokalee). These three transfer stations include public transportation services for four or more bus routes and include public parking facilities for passengers to utilize.

# FISCAL & OPERATIONAL IMPACTS

There are no anticipated fiscal or operational impacts anticipated with this amendment.

# GMP CONSISTENCY

To be provided by Comprehensive Planning Staff after first review.

EXHIBITS: None

# **Exhibit A – Exhibit Title**

Amend the LDC as follows: 1 2 1.08.02 – Definitions 3 4 5 6 Transfer of development rights: The transfer of development rights from one parcel to 7 another parcel in a manner that allows an increase in the density or intensity of development on 8 the receiving property with a corresponding decrease in the remaining development rights on the 9 sending property. 10 11 Transit stop, Major: The property, buildings, structures, equipment, and improvements associated with a Collier Area Transit (CAT) transfer station that provides public transportation 12 13 services along multiple public transit routes. In the context of Florida Statutes section 125.01055(7)(e), three major transit stops located within the County are as follows: Government 14 15 Center Transfer Station, Radio Road Transfer Station, and the Florida Department of Health 16 Immokalee Office. 17 18 Vegetation, Category I Invasive Exotic: Invasive exotic vegetation that alters native 19 vegetation communities by: displacing native plant species, changing the structure or ecological functions of native plant communities, or hybridizing with native species; which includes all 20 21 species of vegetation listed on the 2003 Florida Exotic Pest Plant Council's List of Invasive 22 Species, under Category I. 23 \* 24 25 # # # # # # # # # # # # #

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2024328er 1 2 An act relating to affordable housing; amending ss. 3 125.01055 and 166.04151, F.S.; clarifying application; prohibiting counties and municipalities, respectively, 4 5 from restricting the floor area ratio of certain 6 proposed developments under certain circumstances; 7 providing that the density, floor area ratio, or 8 height of certain developments, bonuses, variances, or 9 other special exceptions are not included in the 10 calculation of the currently allowed density, floor area ratio, or height by counties and municipalities, 11 12 respectively; authorizing counties and municipalities, 13 respectively, to restrict the height of proposed 14 developments under certain circumstances; prohibiting 15 the administrative approval by counties and 16 municipalities, respectively, of a proposed 17 development within a specified proximity to a military installation; requiring counties and municipalities, 18 19 respectively, to maintain a certain policy on their websites; requiring counties and municipalities, 20 21 respectively, to consider reducing parking 22 requirements under certain circumstances; requiring 23 counties and municipalities, respectively, to reduce 2.4 or eliminate parking requirements for certain proposed 25 mixed-use developments that meet certain requirements; 26 providing certain requirements for developments 27 located within a transit-oriented development or area; 28 defining the term "major transportation hub"; making 29 technical changes; providing requirements for

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30 developments authorized located within a transitoriented development or area; clarifying that a county 31 32 or municipality, respectively, is not precluded from 33 granting additional exceptions; clarifying that a 34 proposed development is not precluded from receiving a 35 bonus for density, height, or floor area ratio if 36 specified conditions are satisfied; requiring that 37 such bonuses be administratively approved by counties and municipalities, respectively; revising 38 39 applicability; authorizing that specified developments be treated as a conforming use under certain 40 41 circumstances; authorizing that specified developments 42 be treated as a nonconforming use under certain 43 circumstances; authorizing applicants for certain 44 proposed developments to notify a county or 45 municipality, as applicable, of their intent to proceed under certain provisions; requiring counties 46 and municipalities to allow certain applicants to 47 submit a revised application, written request, or 48 49 notice of intent; amending s. 196.1978, F.S.; revising 50 the definition of the term "newly constructed"; 51 revising conditions for when multifamily projects are 52 considered property used for a charitable purpose and 53 are eligible to receive an ad valorem property tax 54 exemption; making technical changes; requiring 55 property appraisers to make certain exemptions from ad 56 valorem property taxes; providing the method for 57 determining the value of a unit for certain purposes; 58 requiring property appraisers to review certain

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59	applications and make certain determinations;
60	authorizing property appraisers to request and review
61	additional information; authorizing property
62	appraisers to grant exemptions only under certain
63	conditions; revising requirements for property owners
64	seeking a certification notice from the Florida
65	Housing Finance Corporation; providing that a certain
66	determination by the corporation does not constitute
67	an exemption; revising eligibility; conforming
68	provisions to changes made by the act; amending s.
69	196.1979, F.S.; revising the value to which a certain
70	ad valorem property tax exemption applies; revising a
71	condition of eligibility for vacant residential units
72	to qualify for a certain ad valorem property tax
73	exemption; making technical changes; revising the
74	deadline for an application for exemption; revising
75	deadlines by which boards and governing bodies must
76	deliver to or notify the Department of Revenue of the
77	adoption, repeal, or expiration of certain ordinances;
78	requiring property appraisers to review certain
79	applications and make certain determinations;
80	authorizing property appraisers to request and review
81	additional information; authorizing property
82	appraisers to grant exemptions only under certain
83	conditions; providing the method for determining the
84	value of a unit for certain purposes; providing for
85	retroactive application; amending s. 333.03, F.S.;
86	excluding certain proposed developments from specified
87	airport zoning provisions; amending s. 420.507, F.S.;

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2024328er 88 revising the enumerated powers of the corporation; 89 amending s. 420.5096, F.S.; making technical changes; 90 amending s. 420.518, F.S.; specifying conditions under which the corporation may preclude applicants from 91 corporation programs; providing an appropriation; 92 providing an effective date. 93 94 95 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 96 97 Section 1. Subsection (7) of section 125.01055, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (8) is added to that 98 99 section, to read: 100 125.01055 Affordable housing.-(7) (a) A county must authorize multifamily and mixed-use 101 102 residential as allowable uses in any area zoned for commercial, 103 industrial, or mixed use if at least 40 percent of the 104 residential units in a proposed multifamily rental development 105 are rental units that, for a period of at least 30 years, are 106 affordable as defined in s. 420.0004. Notwithstanding any other 107 law, local ordinance, or regulation to the contrary, a county 108 may not require a proposed multifamily development to obtain a zoning or land use change, special exception, conditional use 109 110 approval, variance, or comprehensive plan amendment for the 111 building height, zoning, and densities authorized under this 112 subsection. For mixed-use residential projects, at least 65 percent of the total square footage must be used for residential 113 114 purposes. 115 (b) A county may not restrict the density of a proposed

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development authorized under this subsection below the highest

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2024328er 117 currently allowed density on any unincorporated land in the 118 county where residential development is allowed under the 119 county's land development regulations. For purposes of this 120 paragraph, the term "highest currently allowed density" does not 121 include the density of any building that met the requirements of 122 this subsection or the density of any building that has received 123 any bonus, variance, or other special exception for density 124 provided in the county's land development regulations as an 125 incentive for development. 126 (c) A county may not restrict the floor area ratio of a 127 proposed development authorized under this subsection below 150 128 percent of the highest currently allowed floor area ratio on any 129 unincorporated land in the county where development is allowed 130 under the county's land development regulations. For purposes of 131 this paragraph, the term "highest currently allowed floor area 132 ratio" does not include the floor area ratio of any building 133 that met the requirements of this subsection or the floor area 134 ratio of any building that has received any bonus, variance, or 135 other special exception for floor area ratio provided in the county's land development regulations as an incentive for 136 137 development. For purposes of this subsection, the term floor 138 area ratio includes floor lot ratio.

139 (d)1.(c) A county may not restrict the height of a proposed 140 development authorized under this subsection below the highest 141 currently allowed height for a commercial or residential 142 <u>building development</u> located in its jurisdiction within 1 mile 143 of the proposed development or 3 stories, whichever is higher. 144 <u>For purposes of this paragraph, the term "highest currently</u> 145 <u>allowed height" does not include the height of any building that</u>

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146 met the requirements of this subsection or the height of any 147 building that has received any bonus, variance, or other special 148 exception for height provided in the county's land development 149 regulations as an incentive for development. 150 2. If the proposed development is adjacent to, on two or 151 more sides, a parcel zoned for single-family residential use 152 which is within a single-family residential development with at 153 least 25 contiguous single-family homes, the county may restrict 154 the height of the proposed development to 150 percent of the tallest building on any property adjacent to the proposed 155 156 development, the highest currently allowed height for the 157 property provided in the county's land development regulations, 158 or 3 stories, whichever is higher. For the purposes of this 159 paragraph, the term "adjacent to" means those properties sharing 160 more than one point of a property line, but does not include 161 properties separated by a public road.

162 (e) (d) A proposed development authorized under this 163 subsection must be administratively approved and no further 164 action by the board of county commissioners is required if the development satisfies the county's land development regulations 165 for multifamily developments in areas zoned for such use and is 166 otherwise consistent with the comprehensive plan, with the 167 168 exception of provisions establishing allowable densities, floor 169 area ratios, height, and land use. Such land development 170 regulations include, but are not limited to, regulations relating to setbacks and parking requirements. A proposed 171 172 development located within one-quarter mile of a military 173 installation identified in s. 163.3175(2) may not be 174 administratively approved. Each county shall maintain on its

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175	website a policy containing procedures and expectations for
176	administrative approval pursuant to this subsection.
177	(f)1.(e) A county must consider reducing parking
178	requirements for a proposed development authorized under this
179	subsection if the development is located within <u>one-quarter</u> <del>one-</del>
180	half mile of a major transit stop, as defined in the county's
181	land development code, and the major transit stop is accessible
182	from the development.
183	2. A county must reduce parking requirements by at least 20
184	percent for a proposed development authorized under this
185	subsection if the development:
186	a. Is located within one-half mile of a major
187	transportation hub that is accessible from the proposed
188	development by safe, pedestrian-friendly means, such as
189	sidewalks, crosswalks, elevated pedestrian or bike paths, or
190	other multimodal design features; and
191	b. Has available parking within 600 feet of the proposed
192	development which may consist of options such as on-street
193	parking, parking lots, or parking garages available for use by
194	residents of the proposed development. However, a county may not
195	require that the available parking compensate for the reduction
196	in parking requirements.
197	3. A county must eliminate parking requirements for a
198	proposed mixed-use residential development authorized under this
199	subsection within an area recognized by the county as a transit-
200	oriented development or area, as provided in paragraph (h).
201	4. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "major
202	transportation hub" means any transit station, whether bus,
203	train, or light rail, which is served by public transit with a

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204 mix of other transportation options.

205 (g) (f) For proposed multifamily developments in an 206 unincorporated area zoned for commercial or industrial use which 207 is within the boundaries of a multicounty independent special 208 district that was created to provide municipal services and is not authorized to levy ad valorem taxes, and less than 20 209 percent of the land area within such district is designated for 210 commercial or industrial use, a county must authorize, as 211 212 provided in this subsection, such development only if the 213 development is mixed-use residential.

(h) A proposed development authorized under this subsection 214 215 which is located within a transit-oriented development or area, as recognized by the county, must be mixed-use residential and 216 217 otherwise comply with requirements of the county's regulations 218 applicable to the transit-oriented development or area except 219 for use, height, density, floor area ratio, and parking as 220 provided in this subsection or as otherwise agreed to by the 221 county and the applicant for the development.

222 <u>(i) (g)</u> Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a 223 development authorized under this subsection must comply with 224 all applicable state and local laws and regulations.

(j)1. Nothing in this subsection precludes a county from granting a bonus, variance, conditional use, or other special exception for height, density, or floor area ratio in addition to the height, density, and floor area ratio requirements in this subsection.

230 <u>2. Nothing in this subsection precludes a proposed</u>
 231 <u>development authorized under this subsection from receiving a</u>
 232 <u>bonus for density, height, or floor area ratio pursuant to an</u>

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2024328er 233 ordinance or regulation of the jurisdiction where the proposed 234 development is located if the proposed development satisfies the 235 conditions to receive the bonus except for any condition which 236 conflicts with this subsection. If a proposed development 237 qualifies for such bonus, the bonus must be administratively 238 approved by the county and no further action by the board of 239 county commissioners is required. 240 (k) (h) This subsection does not apply to: 241 1. Airport-impacted areas as provided in s. 333.03. 242 2. Property defined as recreational and commercial working 243 waterfront in s. 342.201(2)(b) in any area zoned as industrial. (1) (i) This subsection expires October 1, 2033. 244 245 (8) Any development authorized under paragraph (7) (a) must 246 be treated as a conforming use even after the expiration of subsection (7) and the development's affordability period as 247 248 provided in paragraph (7)(a), notwithstanding the county's 249 comprehensive plan, future land use designation, or zoning. If 250 at any point during the development's affordability period the 251 development violates the affordability period requirement provided in paragraph (7)(a), the development must be allowed a 252 253 reasonable time to cure such violation. If the violation is not 254 cured within a reasonable time, the development must be treated 255 as a nonconforming use. Section 2. Subsection (7) of section 166.04151, Florida 256 257 Statutes, is amended, and subsection (8) is added to that 258 section, to read: 259 166.04151 Affordable housing.-260 (7) (a) A municipality must authorize multifamily and mixed-261 use residential as allowable uses in any area zoned for

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262 commercial, industrial, or mixed use if at least 40 percent of 263 the residential units in a proposed multifamily rental 264 development are rental units that, for a period of at least 30 265 years, are affordable as defined in s. 420.0004. Notwithstanding 266 any other law, local ordinance, or regulation to the contrary, a municipality may not require a proposed multifamily development 267 268 to obtain a zoning or land use change, special exception, 269 conditional use approval, variance, or comprehensive plan 270 amendment for the building height, zoning, and densities authorized under this subsection. For mixed-use residential 271 272 projects, at least 65 percent of the total square footage must 273 be used for residential purposes.

274 (b) A municipality may not restrict the density of a 275 proposed development authorized under this subsection below the 276 highest currently allowed density on any land in the 277 municipality where residential development is allowed under the 278 municipality's land development regulations. For purposes of 279 this paragraph, the term "highest currently allowed density" 280 does not include the density of any building that met the 281 requirements of this subsection or the density of any building 282 that has received any bonus, variance, or other special 283 exception for density provided in the municipality's land 284 development regulations as an incentive for development.

(c) A municipality may not restrict the floor area ratio of a proposed development authorized under this subsection below 150 percent of the highest currently allowed floor area ratio on any land in the municipality where development is allowed under the municipality's land development regulations. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "highest currently allowed floor area

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2024328er 291 ratio" does not include the floor area ratio of any building 292 that met the requirements of this subsection or the floor area 293 ratio of any building that has received any bonus, variance, or 294 other special exception for floor area ratio provided in the municipality's land development regulations as an incentive for 295 296 development. For purposes of this subsection, the term "floor 297 area ratio" includes floor lot ratio. (d)1.(c) A municipality may not restrict the height of a 298 299 proposed development authorized under this subsection below the highest currently allowed height for a commercial or residential 300 building development located in its jurisdiction within 1 mile 301 302 of the proposed development or 3 stories, whichever is higher. 303 For purposes of this paragraph, the term "highest currently 304 allowed height" does not include the height of any building that 305 met the requirements of this subsection or the height of any building that has received any bonus, variance, or other special 306 307 exception for height provided in the municipality's land 308 development regulations as an incentive for development. 309 2. If the proposed development is adjacent to, on two or more sides, a parcel zoned for single-family residential use 310 311 that is within a single-family residential development with at 312 least 25 contiguous single-family homes, the municipality may 313 restrict the height of the proposed development to 150 percent 314 of the tallest building on any property adjacent to the proposed 315 development, the highest currently allowed height for the 316 property provided in the municipality's land development 317 regulations, or 3 stories, whichever is higher. For the purposes 318 of this paragraph, the term "adjacent to" means those properties 319 sharing more than one point of a property line, but does not

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320	include properties separated by a public road.
321	<u>(e)</u> A proposed development authorized under this
322	subsection must be administratively approved and no further
323	action by the governing body of the municipality is required if
324	the development satisfies the municipality's land development
325	regulations for multifamily developments in areas zoned for such
326	use and is otherwise consistent with the comprehensive plan,
327	with the exception of provisions establishing allowable
328	densities, <u>floor area ratios,</u> height, and land use. Such land
329	development regulations include, but are not limited to,
330	regulations relating to setbacks and parking requirements. <u>A</u>
331	proposed development located within one-quarter mile of a
332	military installation identified in s. 163.3175(2) may not be
333	administratively approved. Each municipality shall maintain on
334	its website a policy containing procedures and expectations for
335	administrative approval pursuant to this subsection.
336	(f)1.(e) A municipality must consider reducing parking
337	requirements for a proposed development authorized under this
338	subsection if the development is located within <u>one-quarter</u> <del>one-</del>
339	half mile of a major transit stop, as defined in the
340	municipality's land development code, and the major transit stop
341	is accessible from the development.
342	2. A municipality must reduce parking requirements by at
343	least 20 percent for a proposed development authorized under
344	this subsection if the development:
345	a. Is located within one-half mile of a major
346	transportation hub that is accessible from the proposed
347	development by safe, pedestrian-friendly means, such as
348	sidewalks, crosswalks, elevated pedestrian or bike paths, or

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349 other multimodal design features. 350 b. Has available parking within 600 feet of the proposed 351 development which may consist of options such as on-street 352 parking, parking lots, or parking garages available for use by residents of the proposed development. However, a municipality 353 354 may not require that the available parking compensate for the 355 reduction in parking requirements. 356 3. A municipality must eliminate parking requirements for a 357 proposed mixed-use residential development authorized under this 358 subsection within an area recognized by the municipality as a transit-oriented development or area, as provided in paragraph 359 360 (h). 361 4. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "major transportation hub" means any transit station, whether bus, 362 train, or light rail, which is served by public transit with a 363 364 mix of other transportation options. 365 (q) (f) A municipality that designates less than 20 percent 366 of the land area within its jurisdiction for commercial or 367 industrial use must authorize a proposed multifamily development as provided in this subsection in areas zoned for commercial or 368 industrial use only if the proposed multifamily development is 369 mixed-use residential. 370 371 (h) A proposed development authorized under this subsection 372 which is located within a transit-oriented development or area, 373 as recognized by the municipality, must be mixed-use residential 374 and otherwise comply with requirements of the municipality's 375 regulations applicable to the transit-oriented development or 376 area except for use, height, density, floor area ratio, and 377 parking as provided in this subsection or as otherwise agreed to

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378	by the municipality and the applicant for the development.
379	<u>(i)<del>(g)</del> Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a</u>
380	development authorized under this subsection must comply with
381	all applicable state and local laws and regulations.
382	(j)1. Nothing in this subsection precludes a municipality
383	from granting a bonus, variance, conditional use, or other
384	special exception to height, density, or floor area ratio in
385	addition to the height, density, and floor area ratio
386	requirements in this subsection.
387	2. Nothing in this subsection precludes a proposed
388	development authorized under this subsection from receiving a
389	bonus for density, height, or floor area ratio pursuant to an
390	ordinance or regulation of the jurisdiction where the proposed
391	development is located if the proposed development satisfies the
392	conditions to receive the bonus except for any condition which
393	conflicts with this subsection. If a proposed development
394	qualifies for such bonus, the bonus must be administratively
395	approved by the municipality and no further action by the
396	governing body of the municipality is required.
397	(k)(h) This subsection does not apply to:
398	1. Airport-impacted areas as provided in s. 333.03.
399	2. Property defined as recreational and commercial working
400	waterfront in s. 342.201(2)(b) in any area zoned as industrial.
401	(1)(i) This subsection expires October 1, 2033.
402	(8) Any development authorized under paragraph (7)(a) must
403	be treated as a conforming use even after the expiration of
404	subsection (7) and the development's affordability period as
405	provided in paragraph (7)(a), notwithstanding the municipality's
406	comprehensive plan, future land use designation, or zoning. If

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407	at any point during the development's affordability period the
408	development violates the affordability period requirement
409	provided in paragraph (7)(a), the development must be allowed a
410	reasonable time to cure such violation. If the violation is not
411	cured within a reasonable time, the development must be treated
412	as a nonconforming use.
413	Section 3. An applicant for a proposed development
414	authorized under s. 125.01055(7) or s. 166.04151(7), Florida
415	Statutes, who submitted an application, written request, or
416	notice of intent to utilize such provisions to the county or
417	municipality and which has been received by the county or
418	municipality, as applicable, before the effective date of this
419	act may notify the county or municipality by July 1, 2024, of
420	its intent to proceed under the provisions of s. 125.01055(7) or
421	s. 166.04151(7), Florida Statutes, as they existed at the time
422	of submittal. A county or municipality shall allow an applicant
423	who submitted such application, written request, or notice of
424	intent before the effective date of this act the opportunity to
425	submit a revised application, written request, or notice of
426	intent to account for the changes made by this act.
427	Section 4. Subsection (3) of section 196.1978, Florida
428	Statutes, is amended to read:
429	196.1978 Affordable housing property exemption
430	(3)(a) As used in this subsection, the term:
431	1. "Corporation" means the Florida Housing Finance
432	Corporation.
433	2. "Newly constructed" means an improvement to real
434	property which was substantially completed within 5 years before
435	the date of an applicant's first submission of a request for $\underline{a}$
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2024328er 436 certification notice or an application for an exemption pursuant 437 to this subsection section, whichever is earlier. 438 3. "Substantially completed" has the same meaning as in s. 439 192.042(1). 440 (b) Notwithstanding ss. 196.195 and 196.196, portions of 441 property in a multifamily project are considered property used 442 for a charitable purpose and are eligible to receive an ad 443 valorem property tax exemption if such portions meet all of the 444 following conditions: 445 1. Provide affordable housing to natural persons or 446 families meeting the income limitations provided in paragraph 447 (d).÷ 2.a. Are within a newly constructed multifamily project 448 449 that contains more than 70 units dedicated to housing natural 450 persons or families meeting the income limitations provided in 451 paragraph (d); or 452 b. Are within a newly constructed multifamily project in an 453 area of critical state concern, as designated by s. 380.0552 or 454 chapter 28-36, Florida Administrative Code, which contains more 455 than 10 units dedicated to housing natural persons or families 456 meeting the income limitations provided in paragraph (d). and 457 3. Are rented for an amount that does not exceed the amount 458 as specified by the most recent multifamily rental programs 459 income and rent limit chart posted by the corporation and 460 derived from the Multifamily Tax Subsidy Projects Income Limits 461 published by the United States Department of Housing and Urban 462 Development or 90 percent of the fair market value rent as 463 determined by a rental market study meeting the requirements of 464 paragraph (1) (m), whichever is less.

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(c) If a unit that in the previous year <u>received</u> qualified for the exemption under this subsection and was occupied by a tenant is vacant on January 1, the vacant unit is eligible for the exemption if the use of the unit is restricted to providing affordable housing that would otherwise meet the requirements of this subsection and a reasonable effort is made to lease the unit to eligible persons or families.

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(d)1. The property appraiser shall exempt:

473 a. Seventy-five percent of the assessed value of the units in multifamily projects that meet the requirements of this 474 475 subsection and are Qualified property used to house natural 476 persons or families whose annual household income is greater 477 than 80 percent but not more than 120 percent of the median 478 annual adjusted gross income for households within the 479 metropolitan statistical area or, if not within a metropolitan 480 statistical area, within the county in which the person or 481 family resides; and, must receive an ad valorem property tax 482 exemption of 75 percent of the assessed value.

483 b.2. From ad valorem property taxes the units in multifamily projects that meet the requirements of this 484 485 subsection and are Qualified property used to house natural 486 persons or families whose annual household income does not 487 exceed 80 percent of the median annual adjusted gross income for 488 households within the metropolitan statistical area or, if not 489 within a metropolitan statistical area, within the county in 490 which the person or family resides, is exempt from ad valorem 491 property taxes.

492 <u>2. When determining the value of a unit for purposes of</u>
493 <u>applying an exemption pursuant to this paragraph, the property</u>

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494 <u>appraiser must include in such valuation the proportionate share</u> 495 <u>of the residential common areas, including the land, fairly</u> 496 <u>attributable to such unit.</u>

497 (e) To be eligible to receive an exemption under this 498 subsection, a property owner must submit an application on a 499 form prescribed by the department by March 1 for the exemption, accompanied by a certification notice from the corporation to 500 501 the property appraiser. The property appraiser shall review the 502 application and determine whether the applicant meets all of the 503 requirements of this subsection and is entitled to an exemption. 504 A property appraiser may request and review additional 505 information necessary to make such determination. A property 506 appraiser may grant an exemption only for a property for which 507 the corporation has issued a certification notice and which the 508 property appraiser determines is entitled to an exemption.

(f) To receive a certification notice, a property owner must submit a request to the corporation for certification on a form provided by the corporation which includes all of the following:

513 1. The most recently completed rental market study meeting 514 the requirements of paragraph (1) (m).

515 2. A list of the units for which the property owner seeks 516 an exemption.

517 3. The rent amount received by the property owner for each 518 unit for which the property owner seeks an exemption. If a unit 519 is vacant and qualifies for an exemption under paragraph (c), 520 the property owner must provide evidence of the published rent 521 amount for each vacant unit.

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4. A sworn statement, under penalty of perjury, from the

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2024328er 523 applicant restricting the property for a period of not less than 524 3 years to housing persons or families who meet the income 525 limitations under this subsection.

(g) The corporation shall review the request for <u>a</u> certification <u>notice</u> and certify <u>whether a</u> property <del>that</del> meets the <u>eligibility</u> criteria of <u>paragraphs</u> (b) and (c) <del>this</del> subsection. A determination by the corporation regarding a request for <u>a</u> certification <u>notice</u> does not constitute <u>a grant</u> of an exemption pursuant to this subsection or final agency action pursuant to chapter 120.

533 1. If the corporation determines that the property meets 534 the <del>eligibility</del> criteria <del>for an exemption under this subsection</del>, 535 the corporation must send a certification notice to the property 536 owner and the property appraiser.

537 2. If the corporation determines that the property does not 538 meet the <del>eligibility</del> criteria, the corporation must notify the 539 property owner and include the reasons for such determination.

(h) The corporation shall post on its website the deadline
to submit a request for <u>a</u> certification <u>notice</u>. The deadline
must allow adequate time for a property owner to submit a timely
application for exemption to the property appraiser.

(i) The property appraiser shall review the application and
determine if the applicant is entitled to an exemption. A
property appraiser may grant an exemption only for a property
for which the corporation has issued a certification notice.

548 (j) If the property appraiser determines that for any year 549 during the immediately previous 10 years a person who was not 550 entitled to an exemption under this subsection was granted such 551 an exemption, the property appraiser must serve upon the owner a

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552 notice of intent to record in the public records of the county a 553 notice of tax lien against any property owned by that person in 554 the county, and that property must be identified in the notice 555 of tax lien. Any property owned by the taxpayer and situated in 556 this state is subject to the taxes exempted by the improper 557 exemption, plus a penalty of 50 percent of the unpaid taxes for 558 each year and interest at a rate of 15 percent per annum. If an exemption is improperly granted as a result of a clerical 559 560 mistake or an omission by the property appraiser, the property 561 owner improperly receiving the exemption may not be assessed a penalty or interest. 562

563 <u>(j)(k)</u> Units subject to an agreement with the corporation 564 pursuant to chapter 420 recorded in the official records of the 565 county in which the property is located to provide housing to 566 natural persons or families meeting the extremely-low-income, 567 very-low-income, or low-income limits specified in s. 420.0004 568 are not eligible for this exemption.

569 <u>(k)(l)</u> Property receiving an exemption pursuant to s. 570 196.1979 or units used as a transient public lodging 571 <u>establishment as defined in s. 509.013 are</u> is not eligible for 572 this exemption.

573 (1) (m) A rental market study submitted as required by subparagraph (f)1. paragraph (f) must identify the fair market 574 575 value rent of each unit for which a property owner seeks an 576 exemption. Only a certified general appraiser as defined in s. 577 475.611 may issue a rental market study. The certified general 578 appraiser must be independent of the property owner who requests 579 the rental market study. In preparing the rental market study, a 580 certified general appraiser shall comply with the standards of

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2024328er 581 professional practice pursuant to part II of chapter 475 and use 582 comparable property within the same geographic area and of the 583 same type as the property for which the exemption is sought. A 584 rental market study must have been completed within 3 years 585 before submission of the application. 586 (m) (m) the corporation may adopt rules to implement this 587 section. (n) (o) This subsection first applies to the 2024 tax roll 588 589 and is repealed December 31, 2059. 590 Section 5. Present subsections (6) and (7) of section 591 196.1979, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (8) 592 and (9), respectively, new subsections (6) and (7) are added to that section, and paragraph (b) of subsection (1), subsection 593 594 (2), paragraphs (d), (f), and (l) of subsection (3), and subsection (5) of that section are amended, to read: 595 596 196.1979 County and municipal affordable housing property 597 exemption.-598 (1)599 (b) Qualified property may receive an ad valorem property 600 tax exemption of: 1. Up to 75 percent of the assessed value of each 601 602 residential unit used to provide affordable housing if fewer than 100 percent of the multifamily project's residential units 603 604 are used to provide affordable housing meeting the requirements 605 of this section. 606 2. Up to 100 percent of the assessed value of each 607 residential unit used to provide affordable housing if 100 percent of the multifamily project's residential units are used 608 609 to provide affordable housing meeting the requirements of this

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610 section.

611 (2) If a residential unit that in the previous year 612 received qualified for the exemption under this section and was occupied by a tenant is vacant on January 1, the vacant unit may 613 614 qualify for the exemption under this section if the use of the 615 unit is restricted to providing affordable housing that would 616 otherwise meet the requirements of this section and a reasonable 617 effort is made to lease the unit to eligible persons or 618 families.

619 (3) An ordinance granting the exemption authorized by this620 section must:

(d) Require the local entity to verify and certify property that meets the requirements of the ordinance as qualified property and forward the certification to the property owner and the property appraiser. If the local entity denies the <u>application for certification</u> exemption, it must notify the applicant and include reasons for the denial.

(f) Require the property owner to submit an application for exemption, on a form prescribed by the department, accompanied by the certification of qualified property, to the property appraiser no later than <u>the deadline specified in s. 196.011</u> March 1.

(1) Require the county or municipality to post on its
website a list of certified properties receiving the exemption
for the purpose of facilitating access to affordable housing.

(5) An ordinance adopted under this section must expire
before the fourth January 1 after adoption; however, the board
of county commissioners or the governing body of the
municipality may adopt a new ordinance to renew the exemption.

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2024328er The board of county commissioners or the governing body of the 639 640 municipality shall deliver a copy of an ordinance adopted under 641 this section to the department and the property appraiser within 642 10 days after its adoption, but no later than January 1 of the 643 year such exemption will take effect. If the ordinance expires 644 or is repealed, the board of county commissioners or the 645 governing body of the municipality must notify the department 646 and the property appraiser within 10 days after its expiration 647 or repeal, but no later than January 1 of the year the repeal or 648 expiration of such exemption will take effect. 649 (6) The property appraiser shall review each application 650 for exemption and determine whether the applicant meets all of 651 the requirements of this section and is entitled to an 652 exemption. A property appraiser may request and review 653 additional information necessary to make such determination. A 654 property appraiser may grant an exemption only for a property 655 for which the local entity has certified as qualified property 656 and which the property appraiser determines is entitled to an 657 exemption. 658 (7) When determining the value of a unit for purposes of 659 applying an exemption pursuant to this section, the property 660 appraiser must include in such valuation the proportionate share 661 of the residential common areas, including the land, fairly 662 attributable to such unit. 663 Section 6. The amendments made by this act to ss. 196.1978 and 196.1979, Florida Statutes, are intended to be remedial and 664 665 clarifying in nature and apply retroactively to January 1, 2024. Section 7. Present subsection (5) of section 333.03, 666

667 Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (6), and a new

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2024328er 668 subsection (5) is added to that section, to read: 669 333.03 Requirement to adopt airport zoning regulations.-670 (5) Sections 125.01055(7) and 166.04151(7) do not apply to 671 any of the following: 672 (a) A proposed development near a runway within one-quarter of a mile laterally from the runway edge and within an area that 673 674 is the width of one-quarter of a mile extending at right angles 675 from the end of the runway for a distance of 10,000 feet of any 676 existing airport runway or planned airport runway identified in 677 the local government's airport master plan. 678 (b) A proposed development within any airport noise zone 679 identified in the federal land use compatibility table or in a 680 land-use zoning or airport noise regulation adopted by the local 681 government. 682 (c) A proposed development that exceeds maximum height 683 restrictions identified in the political subdivision's airport 684 zoning regulation adopted pursuant to this section. 685 Section 8. Subsection (35) of section 420.507, Florida 686 Statutes, is amended to read: 687 420.507 Powers of the corporation.-The corporation shall 688 have all the powers necessary or convenient to carry out and 689 effectuate the purposes and provisions of this part, including 690 the following powers which are in addition to all other powers 691 granted by other provisions of this part: 692 (35) To preclude any applicant, sponsor, or affiliate of an 693 applicant or sponsor from further participation in any of the 694 corporation's programs as provided in s. 420.518, any applicant 695 or affiliate of an applicant which has made a material 696 misrepresentation or engaged in fraudulent actions in connection

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(b) Been convicted or found guilty of, or entered a plea of

926 guilty or nolo contendere to, regardless of adjudication, a 927 crime in any jurisdiction which directly relates to the 928 financing, construction, or management of affordable housing or 929 the fraudulent procurement of state or federal funds. The record 930 of a conviction certified or authenticated in such form as to be 931 admissible in evidence under the laws of the state shall be 932 admissible as prima facie evidence of such guilt.

(c) Been excluded from any federal funding program related to the provision of housing, including debarment from participation in federal housing programs by the United States <u>Department of Housing and Urban Development</u>.

737 (d) Been excluded from any <u>federal or</u> Florida procurement
 738 programs.

(e) Offered or given consideration, other than the
consideration to provide affordable housing, with respect to a
local contribution.

(f) Demonstrated a pattern of noncompliance and a failure to correct any such noncompliance after notice from the corporation in the construction, operation, or management of one or more developments funded through a corporation program.

(g) Materially or repeatedly violated any condition imposed by the corporation in connection with the administration of a corporation program, including a land use restriction agreement, an extended use agreement, or any other financing or regulatory agreement with the corporation.

(2) Upon a determination by the board of directors of the corporation that an applicant or affiliate of the applicant be precluded from participation in any corporation program, the board may issue an order taking any or all of the following

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755 actions: 756 (a) Preclude such applicant or affiliate from applying for 757 funding from any corporation program for a specified period. The 758 period may be a specified period of time or permanent in nature. 759 With regard to establishing the duration, the board shall 760 consider the facts and circumstances, inclusive of the 761 compliance history of the applicant or affiliate of the 762 applicant, the type of action under subsection (1), and the 763 degree of harm to the corporation's programs that has been or 764 may be done. (b) Revoke any funding previously awarded by the 765 766 corporation for any development for which construction or 767 rehabilitation has not commenced. 768 (3) Before any order issued under this section can be 769 final, an administrative complaint must be served on the

applicant, affiliate of the applicant, or its registered agent that provides notification of findings of the board, the intended action, and the opportunity to request a proceeding pursuant to ss. 120.569 and 120.57.

(4) Any funding, allocation of federal housing credits, 774 775 credit underwriting procedures, or application review for any 776 development for which construction or rehabilitation has not 777 commenced may be suspended by the corporation upon the service 778 of an administrative complaint on the applicant, affiliate of 779 the applicant, or its registered agent. The suspension shall be effective from the date the administrative complaint is served 780 781 until an order issued by the corporation in regard to that 782 complaint becomes final.

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784	received and deposited into the General Revenue Fund from the
785	state's allocation from the federal Coronavirus State Fiscal
786	Recovery Fund created under the American Rescue Plan Act of
787	2021, Pub. L. No. 117-2, the sum of \$100 million in nonrecurring
788	funds is appropriated to the State Housing Trust Fund for use by
789	the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to implement the Florida
790	Hometown Hero Program established in s. 420.5096, Florida
791	Statutes.
792	Section 12. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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