ORDINANCE NO. 2856-11

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 58 "LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE" ARTICLE I, "COMPREHENSIVE PLAN" SO AS TO ELIMINATE THE TWICE A YEAR LIMITATION ON AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, SUBSTITUTING FOR THE CURRENT AMENDMENT PROCEDURES, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, CODIFICATION, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Winter Park City Commission desires to revise the limitation on the frequency of comprehensive plan amendments to conform to the new Growth Management Act; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Board of the City of Winter Park has recommended approval of this Ordinance at its August 2, 2011 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Winter Park held duly noticed public hearings on the proposed zoning change set forth hereunder and considered advice of staff, citizens, and all interested parties submitting written and oral comments and supporting data and analysis, and after complete deliberation, hereby finds the requested change consistent with the City of Winter Park’s Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission hereby find that this Ordinance serves a legitimate government purpose and is in the best interests of the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Winter Park, Florida.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY OF WINTER PARK:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 58 "Land Development Code", Article I "Comprehensive Plan" of the Code of Ordinances, Section 58-6 "Amendments to the comprehensive plan" subsections (a) (1) and (a) (2) is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 58-6. Amendments to the comprehensive plan.

(a) Amendments to the comprehensive plan shall at a minimum conform to the requirements as specified within Florida Statutes Chapter 163, Part II.

(1) A comprehensive plan text or map amendment may be proposed by the city commission or the planning and zoning board or may be proposed by any individual, corporation, partnership or other entity having a bona-fide interest in property either by ownership or by standing under a contract to purchase such land. All comprehensive plan text or map amendments must be made by ordinance. Applications shall be submitted on a standard application form accompanied by all pertinent information which may be required for proper consideration of the matter, along with payment of fees and charges as established by the city commission. Applicants shall include prospective plans indicating the desired development scenario proposed as a result of an approval per the plan submission requirements established for conditional uses.
(2) All proposed comprehensive plan text or map amendments shall be submitted to the planning and zoning board for study and recommendation. The planning and zoning board shall study such proposals to determine:
   a. The need and justification for the change;
   b. When pertaining to the future land use designation of land, the effect of the change, if any, on the particular property and the surrounding properties;
   c. When pertaining to the future land use designation of land, the amount of undeveloped land in the general area and in the city having the same classification as that requested; and
   d. The relationship of the proposed amendment to the goals, objectives and policies text of the city's comprehensive plan, with appropriate consideration as to whether the proposed change will further, or at least not be contrary to the comprehensive plan.

(3) No recommendation for transmittal or adoption of any amendment to the comprehensive plan shall be made by the planning and zoning commission until and unless a public hearing has been held. In addition to the public notice requirements of Florida Statutes Chapter 163, Part II, the city shall also conform to the following notice requirements. Notice shall be provided based upon the type and size of the request as detailed below. In cases where requests are not specifically indicated in this section, the planning director shall determine the most appropriate level of public notice.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY. If any Section or portion of a Section of this Ordinance proves to be invalid, unlawful, or unconstitutional, it shall not be held to invalidate or impair the validity, force, or effect of any other Section or part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. CONFLICTS. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. CODIFICATION. It is the intention of the City Commission of the City of Winter Park, Florida, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinance of the City of Winter Park, Florida; that the Sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered to accomplish such intention; that the word, "Ordinance" may be changed to "Section," "Article," or other appropriate word.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its final passage and adoption.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Commission of the City of Winter Park, Florida, held in City Hall, Winter Park, on this 26th day of September, 2011.

Kenneth W. Bradley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cynthia S. Bonhan, City Clerk