

Title 9, Chapter 9 Planned Unit Development

9-9-1: DEFINITION:

A "planned unit development" (hereinafter referred to as a PUD) is an area of land controlled by one or more landowners, which is to be developed under a single and comprehensive plan of development. Any mix of residential building types, or any mix of residential commercial, industrial recreational, and agricultural uses may be permitted to provide greater flexibility in land usage. Additional flexibility in development is furnished because setbacks, height, lot size, density, and other site regulations may differ from those normally imposed for similar uses. Residential units and other buildings, if any, may be constructed by either the developer or individual buyers; however, the application must be accompanied by plans and other documents sufficient for the administrator, staff and commission to review the application for compliance with the requirements of this title. (Ord. 10-06, 8-23-2010; amd. Ord. 11-5, 6-6-2011)

9-9-2: PURPOSE:

The PUD concept allows the site planner to propose the best use and arrangement of development on the parcel of land by reducing the more rigid regulations herein. A PUD is designed so that buildings are clustered together to create open space of common ownership, preserve natural features and landscape character, more efficiently use the site and to minimize development costs by sharing common walls, shortening and narrowing roads, and concentrating utilities. It is expected that a PUD will provide certain amenities like recreational facilities, landscaping, and natural open spaces for the enjoyment of all owners, employees, etc., and will demonstrate better than average quality of development. (Ord. 10-06, 8-23-2010)

9-9-7: STANDARDS:

- A. Size: The acreage shall be large enough to accommodate the proposed PUD.
- B. Streets, Utilities And Other Site Improvements: Streets, utilities, and other site improvements shall be made for their later installation, at the developer's expense, prior to recording the plat. Streets shall be constructed in accordance with the minimum standards set forth in chapter 5 of this title and all references made therein if they are to be dedicated to the county.
- C. Waiver Or Modification Of Specifications, Standards And Requirements: It is recognized that the uniqueness of each proposal for a PUD requires that the specifications, standards, and requirements for various facilities, including, but not limited to: roads, alleys, easements, utilities, signs, parking areas, storm drainage, water supply and distribution, and sewage collection and treatment, may be subject to modification from the specifications, standards, and requirements established for subdivisions and like uses in this title. The commission may, therefore, at the time of general submission as requested by the applicant, waive or modify these specifications, standards, and requirements which otherwise shall be applicable.
- D. Averaging And Transferring Densities: Averaging and transferring densities within the PUD shall be allowed: 1) upon a showing that it fits the definition of a PUD; 2) as long as the overall average residential density is no greater than six (6) dwelling units per gross acre; and 3) only if residential units are to be connected to central water and sewer systems. The overall average residential density shall be calculated by summing the number of residential dwelling units planned within the boundary of the PUD and dividing by the total gross area expressed in acres within the boundaries of the PUD, except public lands. It is recognized that the increased residential density of a PUD shall be in relationship to the site and structure location, application of technology, design, construction techniques, landscaping and topography. Dwelling units per gross acre can be increased to provide community and workforce housing at negotiated percentages that are memorialized in a development agreement with the Board of County Commissioners.