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Medical Use Community Residential Housing

PBC Zoning Division has hired Mr. Dan Lauber, AICP, Consultant to research and prepare findings to address "Community Residential Housing for people with Disabilities and for Recovering Communities" within the unincorporated PBC. Please see links below to the Final Report and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ).

Staff will brief the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) in mid-August 2020. On August 27, 2020 BCC Zoning Agenda, Initiation Round 2020-02 staff will include this topic as a proposed code amendment to the Unified Land Development Code. County staff and Mr. Lauber will be processing the code amendments between August and final BCC adoption Hearing on January 28, 2021.

For further information on the Code amendment schedule for 2020-02, contact Jon MacGillis, Zoning Director at 561-233-5234 or Wendy Hernandez, Deputy Zoning Director at 561-233-5218.

1. Report on Community Residential Housing

Zoning Analysis and Framework for Community Residences for People With Disabilities and for Recovery Communities in Palm Beach County, Florida



Prepared by Daniel Lauber, AICP
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2. Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Community Residential Housing



Forthcoming Amendments to Palm Beach County's Unified Land Development Code for Community Residences for People With Disabilities and for Recovery Communities

These FAQs seek to answer questions you might have regarding the forthcoming extensive and complex amendments proposed for Palm Beach County's Unified Land Development Code to regulate community residences for people with disabilities, which include sober homes, and for larger recovery communities. The forthcoming amendments will comprehensively revise the county's regulatory treatment of these land uses in accord with sound planning and land use regulatory principles, the nation's Fair Housing Act, and applicable Florida State Statutes.

These FAQs provide information regarding the forthcoming amendments to Palm Beach County's Unified Land Development Code for Community Residences for People With Disabilities and for Recovery Communities. For more information, please visit the following link: <https://www.pbcgov.com/plzba/faq>

The forthcoming amendments to the Unified Land Development Code will apply to all community residences for people with disabilities including sober homes as well as to larger recovery communities. The amendments seek to protect people with disabilities, including people in recovery, from exploitation, mistreatment, abuse, scam operators, insurance operators, fraud, lack of care, financial theft, and the many other abuses documented or well-documented by reporters over the past few years. By protecting people with disabilities, these amendments also protect Palm Beach

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