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Planning and Zoning Meeting Monday, March 26, 2018

Meeting Location Westlake Council Chambers 4005 Seminole Pratt-Whitney Road Westlake, FL 33470 6:30 PM

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March 21, 2018

City Council City of Westlake

Dear Mayor and Council:

The Planning and Zoning meeting of the City of Westlake will be held on Monday, March 26, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Westlake Council Chambers, 4005 Seminole Pratt Whitney Road, Westlake, Florida. Following is the advance agenda for the meeting.

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Approval of the Minutes of the February 12, 2018 Planning and Zoning Meeting
- 4. Consideration of Amended Site Plan for POD K, Phase 1 Medical Office and Recommendation of Approval of Resolution 2018-8
- 5. Presentation of Final Site Plan for FP&L Solar Energy and Recommendation of Approval of Resolution 2018-10
- 6. Audience Comments
- 7. Adjournment

Staff will present their reports at the meeting. I look forward to seeing you, but in the meantime if you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Cassel

Kenneth G. Cassel City Manager

cc: Pam E. Booker, Esq John Carter Terry Lewis Kelly Burke

# **Third Order of Business**

#### MINUTES OF PLANNING AND ZONING MEETING CITY OF WESTLAKE

A Planning and Zoning meeting of the City of Westlake was held on Monday, February 12, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Westlake Community Center, 4005 Seminole-Pratt Whitney Road, Westlake, Florida.

Present and constituting a quorum were:

Roger Manning	Mayor
John Stanavitch	City Council Seat 1
Kara Crump	City Council Seat 2
Phillip Everett	City Council Seat 3
Also present were:	
Kenneth Cassel	City Manager
Pam E. Booker, Esq.	City Attorney
Nilsa Zacarias	NZ Consultants
Don Hearing	Coutleur & Hearing
Kate DeWitt	Coutleur & Hearing
John Carter	Minto PBLH, LLC
Robin Lee	United Health Systems

The following is a summary of the minutes and actions taken during the February 12, 2018 City of Westlake Planning and Zoning Meeting.

### FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS Call to Order/Roll Call

Mayor Manning called the meeting to order and Mr. Cassel called the roll.

#### SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### **THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS**

#### Approval of the Minutes of the February 12, 2018 Planning and Zoning Meeting

**Pledge of Allegiance** 

On MOTION by Councilwoman Crump seconded by Councilman Stanavitch with all in favor the minutes of the February 12, 2018 meeting were approved as presented.

#### FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

#### Consideration of Medical Center Site Plan

Ms. Zacarias reviewed and provided a presentation on Pod K, Phase 1, Medical Office Site Plan.

Mr. Dan Hearing provided a presentation on the design standards for Pod K, Phase 1, Medical Office Site Plan.

Mr. Carter provided an overview of the reasoning for the location of the facility.

Ms. Robin Lee, the CEO for Wellington Regional Hospital, addressed the Board.

Mr. Cassel read Resolution 2018-5 by title only.

On MOTION by Councilman Stanavitch seconded by Councilwoman Crump with all in favor Resolution 2018-5 was recommended for approval by the City Council.

#### FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

### Consideration of Amenity Parcel Site Plan

Ms. Zacarias reviewed and provided a presentation on the Site Plan for PC-1 Amenity Parcel.

Ms. DeWitt provided a presentation on design standards for Pod PC-1.

Mr. Carter addressed questions from the Board.

Mr. Cassel read Resolution 2018-2 by title only.

On MOTION by Councilman Everett seconded by Councilwoman Crump with all in favor Resolution 2018-2 was recommended for approval by the City Council.

#### SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

There being none, the next item followed.

#### SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

**Audience Comments** 

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Kenneth Cassel City Manager Roger Manning Mayor

# **Fourth Order of Business**



**City of Westlake** Planning and Zoning Department Staff Report –3/14/18

#### **1. PETITION DESCRIPTION**

PETITION NO.: SP-2018-02 (Site Plan Modification)

APPLICANT: Cotleur & Hearing

- **OWNER:** Minto PBLH, LLC
- **REQUEST:** The Applicant is **requesting approval of a modification to the Site Plan** for a Free-Standing Emergency Room (FSER) in Phase 1 of Pod K, previously approved by Resolution 2018-05. The proposed FSER remains at 10,379 square feet with a future expansion area of 2,000 square feet. The proposed structure is located on 5.66-acre portion of Pod K, known as Phase I.

**PCN**: 77-40-43-12-00-000-1010

#### LOCATION MAP:



#### 2. PETITION FACTS

- a. Total Gross Site Area: 41.156 acres
- b. Total Affected Area: 5.660 acres
- c. Total Building Footprint Area: 12,379 sq. ft.
- d. Total Building Square Footage:
  - Free-Standing Emergency Room: 10,379 sq. ft. (one story)
  - Future Expansion: 2,000 sq. ft.

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Existing Land Use	Vacant and Agricultural
Future Land Use	Agricultural Enclave (AGE)
Zoning	Traditional Town Development (TTD) Agricultural Enclave Overlay (AGEO) Multiple Use Planned Development/Economic Development Center (MUPD/ECD)

#### 3. BACKGROUND

The Applicant is requesting approval for a modification to the Site Plan for a Free-Standing Emergency Room (FSER) previously approved by Resolution 2018-05. The proposed FSER remains at 10,379 square feet with a future expansion area of 2,000 square feet. The proposed structure is located on same 5.66-acre portion of Pod K known as Phase I.

Pod K Phase I is located within the Westlake TTD, on the east side of Seminole Pratt Whitney Road and the south side of Persimmon Boulevard East. The pod abuts the Grove Market to the north, the Packing House to the south, Pod PC-2 to the east, and Pod H to the west.

Pod K has a MUPD/EDC designation on the TTD Master Plan. The Applicant is requesting approval of modifications to the Final Site plan for a 5.66-acre portion of Pod K, known as Phase I, which has been submitted concurrently with the Plat and Final Subdivision Plan applications for the same. The site plan, subdivision plan, and plat applications for the balance of the 41-acre pod will be submitted at a later date.

#### 4. PLANNING & ZONING REVIEW

The applicant is proposing a 10,379-square foot Free-Standing Emergency Room (FSER) with a future expansion area of 2,000 square feet.

The proposed FSER will be a medical office use as defined by the City's Interim ULDC. Article 1 defines a Medical Office as "an establishment where patients, who are not lodged overnight, are admitted for immediate and/or emergency examination or treatment by persons practicing any form of healing or health-building services whether such persons be medical doctors, chiropractors, osteopaths, chiropodists, naturopaths, optometrists, dentists, or any such profession, the practice of which is lawful in the State of Florida. A pain management clinic shall not be considered a medical or dental office." Medical Office is a permitted use within the MUPD/EDC district. Per the applicant Justification Statement "The proposed use admits patients for immediate and/or emergency examination or treatment and does not retain patients overnight." Per above code provision, the proposed use meets the definition of medical office.

Review of the current Site Plan Application was conducted based on documents submitted by the applicant on March 5, 2018. Please see following analysis for compliance with the City of Westlake Interim ULDC code provisions:

#### Section 3 Multiple Use Planned Development (MUPD)

Required	Proposed	Status
A. General		
1. Purpose and Intent		
The purpose of an MUPD is to provide for the efficient use of land by the integration of multiple uses, or large single uses, within a unified development. The intent of an MUPD is to provide opportunities for enlightened and imaginative approaches to community planning and site design by: [Ord. 2014-025]	The proposed structure is located on 5.66-acre portion of Pod K, known as Phase I.	The site plan, subdivision plan, and plat applications for the balance of the 41- acre pod will be submitted at a later date.
a. allowing flexibility from standard PDRs;		
b. applying PDRs to the entire project rather than individual lots, such as: access, parking, lot dimensions, lot frontage, and landscaping; and	The proposed structure is located on 5.66-acre portion of Pod K, known as Phase I.	As the applicant submits next phases, Staff will further review applicable Code.
c. encouraging the creation of a unified image between buildings and signage through architecture and linkages between land uses.	The proposed structure is located on 5.66-acre portion of Pod K, known as Phase I.	As the applicant submits next phases, Staff will further review applicable Code.
2. Applicability		
The requirements of this Section shall apply to all MUPDs, modifications to previously approved MUPDs, and modifications to previous approvals specified in Art. 3.E, Planned Development Districts unless otherwise stated. [Ord. 2009-040] [Ord. 2011-016]	The proposed structure is located on 5.66-acre portion of Pod K, known as Phase I.	As the applicant submits next phases, Staff will further review applicable Code.
3. Conflicts		
If a conflict exists between this Section and other Sections of this Code, the provisions of this Section shall apply to the extent of the conflict.	Acknowledged.	Acknowledged.

Required	Proposed	Status
B. Objectives and Standards		
1. Design Objectives		
A MUPD shall comply with the following objectives:		
a. Designed as a predominantly non-residential district;	Proposed 10,379 Sq. Ft. Free-Standing Emergency Room (FSER) and a future expansion area of 2,000 square feet. FSER will be a medical office use as defined by the City's Interim ULDC.	In compliance with Code.
b. Provide innovative building location and orientation;	Parking lot is fronting Seminole Pratt Whitney Road with the building located in the interior of the parcel.	Staff discussed with applicant the location of futures buildings. The City encourages buildings fronting the street. See Condition #1.
c. Protect adjacent residential uses from potential adverse impacts;	Proposed site plan is Not adjacent to residential uses	In compliance with Code.
d. Provide interconnection between uses in and	Connection to uses in	See Condition #2.
adjacent to the project;	adjacent parcels is not	
	shown.	
e. Allow for landscape design that enhances the	Landscape is enhancing the	In compliance with Code.
appearance of the project; and, [Ord. 2014-025]	project.	
f. An MUPD with an EDC FLU designation shall be primarily utilized by office and research parks, which may also include manufacturing and processing, research and development, wholesale distribution and storage of products. [Ord. 2014- 025]	Proposed building will be a medical office use as defined by the City's Interim ULDC.	In compliance with Code This is Phase I of Pod K. As the applicant submit next phases, Staff will further review applicable Code.
2. Performance Standards		-
A MUPD shall comply with the following standards:		
a. Freestanding Buildings		
The maximum number of freestanding buildings in a MUPD with continuous vehicular circulation on all four sides is indicated in Table 3.E.3.B, Freestanding Buildings. For the purpose of this Section, circulation shall mean any portion of a driveway, drive aisle, or other means of vehicular access located within 50 feet of a building, excluding one-way drive through lanes, dedicated bypass lanes, and one primary	Proposed Phase I indicates one (1) Building	Per Table 3.E.3.B, shown below, the maximum number of freestanding buildings for the EDC is three (3) buildings. See Condition #3

Table 3.E.3.B - Freestanding Buildings								
FLU Designations	CL	СН	CLO	СНО	IND	EDC	CR	INST
Number of buildings	1	3	1	3	3	3	3	3
[Ord. 2014-025]								

Required	Proposed	Status
b. Non-vehicular Circulation		
A MUPD shall be designed to provide for	Bicycle- and	As the applicant submits next
pedestrian and bicycle oriented circulation	pedestrian-oriented	phases, Staff will further review
system throughout the development.	circulation has been provided for Phase 1.	applicable Code.
1) Sidewalks		
Where sidewalks cross vehicular use areas, they shall be constructed of pavers, brick, decorative concrete, or similar pavement treatment.	Site plan shows typical crosswalks as "hatched"; paver treatment not specified.	See Condition #4.
c. Landscape Buffers		
A Type 3 incompatibility buffer shall be provided in any area of an MUPD adjacent to a residential use type or undeveloped land with a residential FLU designation. The BCC may allow an alternative buffer as a condition of approval.	N/A	Landscape review by Chen-Moore.
1) No overlap or easement encroachment shall be permitted in R-O-W buffers.	N/A	Landscape review by Chen-Moore.
d. Cross Access		
Parking lots and vehicular circulation areas shall be designed to facilitate cross access directly to adjacent parcels. Cross access shall be provided between a MUPD and adjacent land with a non- residential FLU designation, if required by the DRO. The cross access shall be in a location and manner acceptable to the DRO.	N/A	As the applicant submits next phases, Staff will further review applicable Code.
e. Parking		
Off street parking areas shall comply with Article 6, PARKING, Article 7, LANDSCAPING, and the following:	62 off-street parking spaces required for Phase 1.	63 off-street parking spaces provided for Phase 1. As the applicant submits next phases, Staff will further review applicable Code.
1) Parking Areas		
a) Groundcover or small shrubs 18 to 24 inches in height at installation, and maintained to achieve a maximum of 30 inches in height shall be planted in all terminal islands and divider medians.	N/A	Landscape review by Chen-Moore.

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b) Where pedestrian access ways cross terminal	None proposed for	As the applicant submits next
islands or are provided within divider medians,	Phase 1.	phases, Staff will further review
they shall consist of brick, decorative concrete,		applicable Code.
or similar paving treatment.		

Required	Proposed	Status
2) Loading Area Screening		
Internally oriented loading areas shall provide an opaque wall of a height necessary to screen vehicles from view. Foundation planting shall be provided on the exterior side of the wall.	None proposed for Phase 1.	As the applicant submits next phases, Staff will further review applicable Code.
Required	Proposed	Status
3. Civic Dedication		
The BCC may require that a portion of the gross acreage of the development be dedicated to PBC for public purposes, when insufficient facilities are available to allow for the provision <sup>-</sup> of government services required for the proposed development. The dedication of such property shall be in accordance with Art. 3.E.2.E.4.c.1), Public Civic. The PDRs for the PO district shall apply to the civic parcel. [Ord. 2006-004]	N/A	As the applicant submits next phases, Staff will further review applicable Code.
4. EDC FLU - Use Limitations		
All permitted Commercial, Public and Civic, Agricultural, Utility or Industrial uses shall comply with the following: [Ord. 2014-025]		
a. Shall be clustered within the overall project so as to minimize any adverse impacts, including heavy truck traffic, on office and research portions of the project; and, [Ord. 2014-025]	N/A. Only medical office use proposed for Phase 1.	As the applicant submits next phases, Staff will further review applicable Code.
b. Outdoor storage or activity areas shall be buffered and screened from view of office or research areas, or operate completely in enclosed buildings. [Ord. 2014-025]	N/A. None proposed for Phase 1.	As the applicant submits next phases, Staff will further review applicable Code.

Required	Proposed	Status
C. Thresholds		
Projects that meet or exceed the requirements of Table 3.E.3.D, MUPD Property Development Regulations, in addition to all other minimum MUPD requirements, may be submitted and reviewed as a MUPD. [Ord. 2006-004] [Ord. 2007-013] [Ord. 2015-031]	Acknowledged	Acknowledged
1. Underlying Land Use		
A MUPD with an underlying nonresidential FLU designation may utilize either land use, or a combination of land uses, to satisfy the	Acknowledged	Acknowledged

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requirements of Table 3.E.3.D, MUPD Property Development Regulations. Uses allowed shall correspond to the FLU designation in Table 3.E.1.B, PDD Use Matrix.		
D. Property Development Regulations		
The minimum lot dimensions, maximum FAR, maximum building coverage, and minimum setbacks in the MUPD district are indicated in Table 3.E.3.D, MUPD Property Development Regulations, unless otherwise stated.	See "Provided" below.	In compliance with Code.

	Mini	mum Lot Dime	ensions	Max. FAR (2)	Max. Bldg. Coverage	Minimum Setbacks (1)					
EDC	Size	Width & Frontage	Depth			Front	Side	Side Street	Rear		
Required	5 ac	300	300	-	45 percent	30	C-15 R-40	30	C- 20 R- 40		
Provided	5.660 ac	329.37	744.09	.05	5 percent	>30	>15	N/A	>20		
[Ord. 2007	7-001] [Ord	. 2014-025] [C	rd. 2015-03	<b>1</b> ]							
Notes:											
С		-			a parcel with a non- sidential use. [Ord.			g district			
R	Indicates	Indicates the setback from an adjacent parcel with residential zoning. [Ord. 2015-031]									
1.	Setbacks	are measured	in linear fee	t from the	boundary of the M	UPD.					
2.		Setbacks are measured in linear feet from the boundary of the MUPD. The maximum FAR shall be in accordance with FLUE Table III.C.2 of the Plan, and other related provisions, unless otherwise noted.									

Required	Proposed	Status
1. Work/Live Space	None proposed in Phase 1.	As the applicant submits next phases, Staff will further review applicable Code.
A space within a building that is used jointly for residential, commercial and/or industrial purposes, where the residential space is accessory to the primary use as a place of work. Work/Live spaces shall comply with the following supplemental use standards: [Ord. 2006-004]	N/A	N/A
Accessory work/live spaces may be permitted in a MUPD, MXPD, commercial pod of a PUD, commercial and industrial pods of a PIPD, or a TMD as follows: [Ord. 2004-040]	N/A	N/A

a. Shall not exceed 1000 square feet of living area; [Ord. 2004-040]	N/A	N/A
b. A minimum of 10 percent of the living area shall be designated as office space; [Ord. 2004- 040]	N/A	N/A
c. Shall be counted as non-residential square footage; [Ord. 2004-040]	N/A	N/A
d. The maximum number allowed in a PDD is indicated in Table 3.E.3.D-32, Work/Live PDD; [Ord. 2004-040]	N/A	N/A
e. The maximum number allowed by the DRO in a PDD is indicated in the Table 3.E.3.D-32, Work/Live Space PDD. The maximum number allowed by the DRO in a TMD is indicated in the Table 3.E.3.D-33, Work/Live Space TMD; and [Ord. 2004-040]	N/A	N/A
f. Work/live spaces in excess of the maximum number allowed by the DRO shall be a Requested Use. [Ord. 2004-040]	N/A	N/A

Table 3.E.3.D	- Work/Live S	pace PDD				
FLU Designation	Commercial Pod in a PUD	СН	CLO	СНО	IND (1)	EDC (1)
Number of Spaces	1/acre	5/acre	3/acre	3/acre	3/acre	3/acre
DRO (2)	8	24	24	24	24	24
[Ord. 2004-040] [Ord. 2014-025]						
Notes:						
(1)	Limite	Limited to commercial pods in a PIPD only. [Ord. 2014-025]				
(2)	Maxin	Maximum number of spaces.				

#### 5. FINAL REMARKS

The following conditions of approval are recommended as part of this application:

- 1. Encourage location of buildings fronting the street with parking lots in the rear.
- 2. Provide interconnection between uses in and adjacent to the project.
- 3. Maximum three (3) free-standing buildings per parcel.
- 4. Where sidewalks cross vehicular use areas, they shall be constructed of pavers, brick, decorative concrete, or similar pavement treatment.

#### EXHIBIT "A" MEDICAL CENTER PLAT LEGAL DESCRIPTION

A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 40 EAST, CITY OF WESTLAKE, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 40 EAST; THENCE S.01°33'05"W. ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 1, A DISTANCE OF 250.33 FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF THE 80 FOOT M-CANAL EASEMENT AS RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 1156, PAGE 58, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AND AS SHOWN IN ROAD PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 136 OF SAID RECORDS AND AS MONUMENTED; THENCE S.88°36'57"W. ALONG SAID NORTH LINE OF THE 80 FOOT M-CANAL EASEMENT, A DISTANCE OF 3776.52 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SEMINOLE-PRATT WHITNEY ROAD AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 1544, PAGE 378, AND OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 1640, PAGE 1626 BOTH OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS; THENCE S.01°42'52"W. ALONG SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 4784.06 FEET; THENCE S.88°17'08"E., A DISTANCE OF 10.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N.01°42'52"E. ALONG THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SEMINOLE-PRATT WHITNEY ROAD AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 28479, PAGE 822 OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS, A DISTANCE OF 313.88 FEET; THENCE N.46°42'52"E. ALONG SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 56.57 FEET; THENCE S.88°17'08"E. ALONG THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF PERSIMMON BOULEVARD AS RECORDED IN SAID OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 28479, PAGE 822, A DISTANCE OF 14.59 FEET; THENCE S.75°52'41"E., A DISTANCE OF 24.85 FEET; THENCE S.64°46'35"E., A DISTANCE OF 41.77 FEET; THENCE S.88°17'08"E., A DISTANCE OF 625.50 FEET; THENCE S.01°27'40"W., A DISTANCE OF 328.37 FEET; THENCE N.88°33'22"W., A DISTANCE OF 744.12 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINING: 246,553 SQUARE FEET OR 5.660 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

February 12, 2018

#### **RESOLUTION 2018-05**

#### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE SITE PLAN FOR THE POD K, PHASE 1, MEDICAL OFFICE, LOCATED AT 16400 PERSIMMON BOULEVARD, IN THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City's Interim Land Development Regulations provides procedures for the review and adoption of site plans by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the developer Minto PBLH, LLC, submitted an application for site plan review and approval for Pod K, Phase 1, for medical office uses, located at, 16400 Persimmon Boulevard, Westlake, Florida, 33470, legally described in the attached Exhibit "A", ("Medical Office Phase 1"); and

WHEREAS, staff has reviewed and recommends approval of the proposed site plan provided in the attached Exhibit "B", (site plan); and

WHEREAS, the site plan is consistent with the previously approved conceptual site plan and all the requirements of the Unified Land Development Regulations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to law, notice has been given by publication in a paper of general circulation in Palm Beach County, notifying the public of this proposed resolution and of the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Westlake finds that the adoption an implementation of this resolution is in the best interest and welfare of the residents of the City of Westlake.

**NOW THEREFORE**, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1: <u>Recitals</u>: The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2: <u>Approval of Site Plan:</u> The City Council for the City of Westlake hereby approves the Pod K, Phase 1, Medical Office Site Plan, containing approximately six acres (5.66), located at 16400 Persimmon Boulevard, Westlake, Florida, 33470, as described in the attached Exhibit "A", which is located in the City of Westlake, and in Palm Beach County, Florida. The site plan approval is subject to the applicant meeting all of the conditions set forth in the development approval, as attached hereto as Exhibit "C", which is incorporated herein and made a part hereof. **Section 3.** <u>Implementation:</u> The City Manager and the City Attorney are hereby authorized to take such further action as may be necessary to implement the purpose and provisions of the Resolution.

**Section 4:** <u>Effective Date:</u> This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

 $\ensuremath{\text{PASSED}}$  AND APPROVED by City Council for the City of Westlake, on this  $12^{th}$  day

of February, 2018.

City of Westlake Roger Manning, Mayor

Sandra Demarco, City Clerk

Approved as to Form and Sufficiency<sup>L</sup> Pam E. Booker, City Attorney

#### Exhibit "A"

#### MEDICAL CENTER SITE PLAN

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WHEREAS, the City's Interim Land Development Regulations provides procedures for the review and adoption of site plans by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council approved the initial site plan for Pod K, Phase 1, for medical office use on February 12, 2018, for a building to be located at 16400 Persimmon Boulevard, and

WHEREAS, the applicant has requested a revision of the approved site plan to change the location of the building to the corner of Persimmon Boulevard and Seminole Pratt Whitney Road, instead of being located further to the rear of the parcel; and

WHEREAS, the developer Minto PBLH, LLC, submitted an application to amend the site plan for Pod K, Phase 1, for medical office uses, located at, 16600 Persimmon Boulevard, Westlake, Florida, 33470, legally described in the attached Exhibit "A", ("Medical Office Phase 1"); and

WHEREAS, staff has reviewed and recommends approval of the proposed amended site plan provided in the attached Exhibit "B", (site plan); and

WHEREAS, the amended site plan is consistent with the previously approved conceptual site plan and all the requirements of the Unified Land Development Regulations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to law, notice has been given by publication in a paper of general circulation in Palm Beach County, notifying the public of this proposed resolution and of the public hearing; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council for the City of Westlake finds that the adoption an implementation of this resolution is in the best interest and welfare of the residents of the City of Westlake.

**NOW THEREFORE**, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, FLORIDA, THAT:

**Section 1:** <u>Recitals:</u> The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2: <u>Approval of Amended Site Plan</u>: The City Council for the City of Westlake hereby approves the Pod K, Phase 1, Medical Office Amended Site Plan, containing approximately six acres (5.66), located at 16600 Persimmon Boulevard,

Westlake, Florida, 33470, as described in the attached Exhibit "A", which is located in the City of Westlake, and in Palm Beach County, Florida. The amended site plan approval is subject to the applicant meeting all of the conditions set forth in the development approval, as attached hereto as Exhibit "C", which is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

Section 3: <u>Conditions of Approval</u>: The site plan is approved with the following conditions: (1) Encourage location of buildings fronting the street with parking lots in the rear; (2) Provide interconnection between uses in and adjacent to the project. (3) Maximum three (3) free-standing buildings per parcel; (4) Where sidewalks cross vehicular use areas, they shall be constructed of pavers, brick, decorative concrete, or similar pavement treatment.

**Section 4.** <u>Implementation:</u> The City Manager and the City Attorney are hereby authorized to take such further action as may be necessary to implement the purpose and provisions of the Resolution.

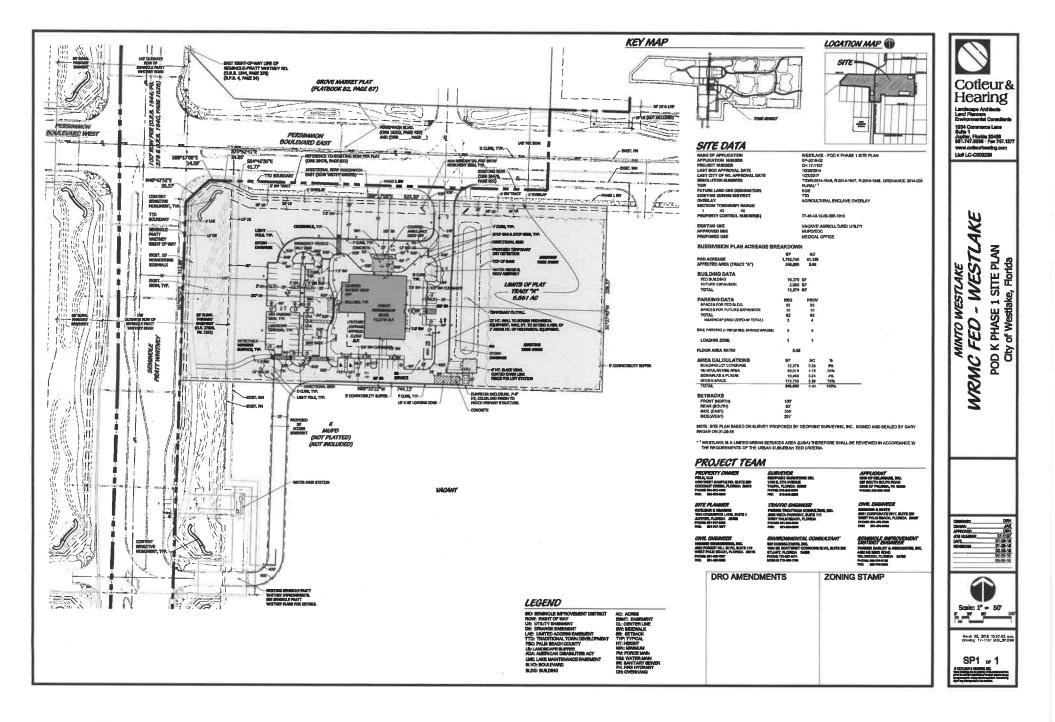
Section 5: <u>Effective Date:</u> This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by City Council for the City of Westlake, on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of March 26, 2018.

City of Westlake Roger Manning, Mayor

Sandra DeMarco, City Clerk

Approved as to Form and Sufficiency Pam E. Booker, City Attorney



# **Fifth Order of Business**



**City of Westlake** Planning and Zoning Department Staff Report -3/14/18

**1. PETITION DESCRIPTION** 

PETITION NO.: SP-2017-03

APPLICANT: Cotleur & Hearing

- OWNER: Minto PBLH, LLC
- **REQUEST:** The subject application requests approval of a Site Plan for the FPL Westlake Solar Energy Center (Facility). The subject property is approximately 400 acres in size and is located in a natural transect at the western end of the City of Westlake (Property)
- PCN: 77-40-43-02-00-000-1010 77-40-43-03-00-000-1020

#### LOCATION MAP:



- 2. PETITION FACTS
  - a. Total Gross Site Area: ## acres
  - b. Total Affected Area: 401.652 acres
  - c. Total Building Footprint Area: 0 sq. ft.
  - d. Land Use and Zoning

Existing Land Use	Vacant/Agricultural/Utility
Future Land Use	Agricultural Enclave (AGE)
Zoning	Traditional Town Development (TTD) Agricultural Enclave Overlay (AGEO) Natural Transect

#### 3. BACKGROUND

The Applicant requests approval of a Site Plan for the FPL Westlake Solar Energy Center on the approximately 400-acre subject Property within the Westlake TTD. The subject Property is located at the western edge of the City (and the Minto Westlake Property) and is entirely within the Natural Transect area identified on the Master Plan. The subject Property is currently vacant with minimal vegetation, mostly field grasses. Applications for the Final Subdivision Plan and Plat are being submitted concurrently with this Site Plan application.

The proposed project will include a series of solar panels, which will be installed on poles that are placed into the ground, with the solar panels raised above the ground. A small collector yard will be located at the southwest corner of the property. This yard serves to convert the energy obtained from the panels to the higher wattage needed to add it to the grid. This area will be secured with fencing and barbed wire. Details of the proposed fencing have been provided with the Site Plan submittal.

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The low impact construction and operation of the Facility is consistent with the surrounding uses in the area. The Facility is located on previously farmed agricultural land set back from adjacent Planning and Zoning Department–*Staff Report* – FPL Solar Energy Center–SP-2017-03 2 roads and buffered by existing natural vegetation on the north, south and west. The solar panels have been strategically arranged to minimize impacts to environmentally sensitive areas. The solar panels sit approximately two feet off the ground at their lowest point and are approximately seven feet in height at their highest point.

Solar centers are very quiet, low traffic generating uses. Typically, the only maintenance associated with a solar facility is vegetation management, along with as-needed component repairs and maintenance. There are minimal health or safety risks associated with the Facility, and such risks are primarily associated with energized electrical equipment, which will be located within a fenced area. The solar panels emit no odors or chemicals and all electricity conducted by the panels is distributed to the substation through insulated, buried lines to the maximum extent feasible.

The solar panels are assembled on site onto racks which are supported by structural posts driven into the ground. Minimal land disturbance is associated with the development of the Facility. The internal paths, including the entrance will be constructed as non-paved private paths for the exclusive use of maintenance personnel. This will be an un-manned facility with remote monitoring so there will be no need for a sewer, septic or water connection.

During construction, FPL will maintain those roadways located outside the development and utilized by contractors, in a safe and passable way. Construction activities and deliveries to the site will generally occur during daylight hours during the construction period. Construction of a facility of this size is typically completed in 6-10 months.

After construction the only vehicular traffic to the site will be for maintenance vehicles, and as such there are no minimum parking or loading needs for the Facility. The Facility is gated and not lit, with the exception of security lighting around the collector yard control structure.

#### 4. PLANNING & ZONING REVIEW

Review of the current Site Plan Application was conducted based on documents submitted by the applicant on December 18, 2017 as subsequently revised. Please see following analysis for compliance with the City of Westlake Interim ULDC code provisions:

#### Use

The Comprehensive Plan, in Policy 2.2.5-g, permits utility uses within any transect zone. This is reiterated in Policy 2.2.9-c, which provides that "transportation and utilities uses may be permitted in all future land use designations." Subsection no. 1 goes on to state "Electrical power facilities utilizing solar, wind, and/or hydroelectric renewable energy resources, and related power transmission facilities, may be allowed in any future land use designation other than the Conservation categories." The Natural Transect zone is not a conservation area; therefore, the proposed solar energy use is permitted within the Natural Transect.

#### Setbacks

Article 4 of the Unified Land Development Code includes provisions for "Renewable Energy Facility, Solar" and establishes minimum setback requirements for lots 50 acres or greater. Twenty-five-foot (25') side and rear setbacks are required. The proposed site

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plan shows 25-foot setbacks on the side and rear of the property which complies with Code.

Pursuant to Article 4, the front and side corner setbacks for lots of 50 or more acres "shall comply with the minimum front and side corner setbacks of the applicable zoning district." The subject site is in a TTD zoning district with an AGE overlay, both of which are silent on setback requirements. No front setback is indicated on the subject site plan, and this is an interior lot.

The front property line of the subject site abuts a future right-of-way, which would require a 20-foot wide landscape buffer when the road is constructed. These 20 feet are shown on the proposed site plan to accommodate the buffer if the proposed road is built.

No other property development regulations apply to this type of facility.

#### 5. FINAL REMARKS

*The following conditions of approval are recommended as part of this application:* 

1. A buffer will be required on this site if abutting residential use is proposed in the future.

March 26, 2018

#### **RESOLUTION** \_ - .2018-10

#### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE FP&L SOLAR ENERGY CENTER FACILITY SITE PLAN, LOCATED AT 18992 TOWN CENTER PARKWAY WEST, IN THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City's Interim Land Development Regulations provides procedures for the review and adoption of site plans by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, Florida Power & Light Company, submitted an application for the site plan for a solar energy center use, located at, 18992 Town Center Parkway West, Westlake, Florida, 33470, legally described in the attached Exhibit "A", ("FP&L Solar Energy Center"); and

WHEREAS, staff has reviewed and recommends approval of the proposed site plan provided in the attached Exhibit "B", (site plan); and

WHEREAS, the site plan is consistent with the previously approved conceptual site plan and all the requirements of the Unified Land Development Regulations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to law, notice has been given by publication in a paper of general circulation in Palm Beach County, notifying the public of this proposed resolution and of the public hearing; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council for the City of Westlake finds that the adoption an implementation of this resolution is in the best interest and welfare of the residents of the City of Westlake.

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Section 1: <u>Recitals:</u> The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2: <u>Approval of Site Plan</u>: The City Council for the City of Westlake hereby approves the FP&L Solar Energy Center Site Plan, containing approximately four hundred and one acres (401.00), located at 18992 Town Center Parkway West, Westlake, Florida, 33470, as described in the attached Exhibit "A", which is located in the City of Westlake, and in Palm Beach County, Florida.

**Section 3:** <u>Conditions of Approval</u>: The site plan is recommended for approval with one condition, which requires a buffer on the site where the property is abutting residential use in the future.

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**Section 5:** <u>Effective Date:</u> This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by City Council for the City of Westlake, on this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day

of March 26, 2018.

City of Westlake Roger Manning, Mayor

Sandra DeMarco, City Clerk

Approved as to Form and Sufficiency Pam E. Booker, City Attorney

#### Exhibit "A" Legal Description Florida Power & Light Westlake Solar Energy Center

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 40 EAST AND SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 40 EAST, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE AGREED UPON AND MONUMENTED SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 2, AS SURVEYED BY K.C. MOCK AND REFERENCED IN ROAD PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 136, AND PER SKETCH OF SURVEY PREPARED BY S.P. MUSICK DATED MARCH 5, 1965 AND REFERENCED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 5863, PAGE 1155, AND OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 8434, PAGE 1410; THENCE ALONG THE AGREED UPON AND MONUMENTED SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID SECTION 2, AS SURVEYED BY K.C. MOCK AND REFERENCED IN SAID ROAD PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 136, AND PER SAID SKETCH OF SURVEY PREPARED BY S.P. MUSICK DATED MARCH 5, 1965 AND REFERENCED IN SAID OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 5863, PAGE 1155, AND SAID OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 8434, PAGE 1410, N.85°08'43"W., A DISTANCE OF 4,265.95 FEET; THENCE N.01°11'52"E., A DISTANCE OF 100.20 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N.85°08'43" W., ALONG A LINE 100.00 FEET NORTH OF AND PARALLEL WITH SAID AGREED UPON AND MONUMENTED SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID SECTION 2, ALSO THE NORTH LINE OF SEMINOLE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 50.00 FOOT EASEMENT "B-5" PER OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 14742, PAGE 1196, OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS, A DISTANCE OF 1,069.30 FEET; THENCE N.88°35'25"W., ALONG A LINE 100.00 FEET NORTH OF AND PARALLEL WITH AGREED UPON AND MONUMENTED SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SECTION 3, AS SURVEYED BY K.C. MOCK AND REFERENCED IN SAID ROAD PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 136, AND PER SAID SKETCH OF SURVEY PREPARED BY S.P. MUSICK DATED MARCH 5, 1965 AND REFERENCED IN SAID OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 5863, PAGE 1155, AND SAID OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 8434, PAGE 1410, ALSO THE NORTH LINE SEMINOLE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 50.00 FOOT EASEMENT "C-7" PER OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 14742, PAGE 1196, OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS, A DISTANCE OF 5.218.87 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF SEMINOLE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 50.00 FOOT EASEMENT "C-1" AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 14742, PAGE 1196, OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS; THENCE N.00°29'35"E., ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SEMINOLE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 50.00 FOOT EASEMENT "C-1", A DISTANCE OF 1,107.83 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF SEMINOLE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 50.00 FOOT EASEMENT "C-2" AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 14742, PAGE 1196, OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS; THENCE N.45°00'10"E., ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SEMINOLE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 50.00 FOOT EASEMENT "C-2", A DISTANCE OF 3,595.85 FEET; THENCE S.87°45'21"E., ALONG A LINE 454.00 FEET SOUTH OF AND PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF SEMINOLE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 45.00 FOOT EASEMENT "C-3" AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 14742, PAGE 1196, OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS, A DISTANCE OF 1,376.62 FEET; THENCE S.47°47'53"E., A DISTANCE OF 32.11 FEET TO A NON-TANGENT INTERSECTION WITH A CURVE CONCAVE TO THE NORTHEAST WITH A RADIUS OF 1,550.00 FEET AND A RADIAL BEARING OF N.82°09'36"E. AT SAID INTERSECTION, ALSO A POINT ON

THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY OF TOWN CENTER PARKWAY; THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 10°03'56", A DISTANCE OF 272.30 FEET; THENCE N.02°13'32"E. ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY OF TOWN CENTER PARKWAY, A DISTANCE OF 249.94 TO A POINT ON THE SOUTHERLY BOUNDARY OF M-CANAL ROAD EASEMENT, AN 80 FOOT WIDE CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH EASEMENT, RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 1156, PAGE 58, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY; THENCE S.87°46'28"E., ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY BOUNDARY OF M-CANAL ROAD EASEMENT, A DISTANCE OF 120.00 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY OF TOWN CENTER PARKWAY; THENCE DEPARTING SAID SOUTHERLY BOUNDARY OF M-CANAL ROAD EASEMENT, AND ALONG SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF TOWN CENTER PARKWAY FOR THE FOLLOWING TWO (2) COURSES: 1) S.02°13'32"W., A DISTANCE OF 249.94 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVATURE; 2) THENCE SOUTHERLY, 335.96 FEET, ALONG THE ARC OF A TANGENT CURVE CONCAVE EASTERLY, HAVING A RADIUS OF 1,430.00 FEET AND A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 13°27'39" TO A POINT OF RADIAL INTERSECTION; THENCE S.78°45'53"W., A DISTANCE OF 120.00 FEET TO A RADIAL INTERSECTION WITH A CURVE, ALSO A POINT ON THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY OF TOWN CENTER PARKWAY FOR THE FOLLOWING THREE (3) COURSES: 1) THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY OF TOWN CENTER PARKWAY, 2179.46 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A NON-TANGENT CURVE CONCAVE EASTERLY, HAVING A RADIUS OF 1,550.00 FEET AND A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 80°33'49" (THROUGH WHICH A RADIAL LINE BEARS N.78°45'53"E. AT SAID INTERSECTION) TO A POINT OF TANGENCY; 2) THENCE N.88°12'04"E., A DISTANCE OF 553.35 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVATURE; 3) THENCE EASTERLY, 223.06 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A TANGENT CURVE CONCAVE SOUTHERLY HAVING A RADIUS OF 1,540.00 FEET AND A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 08°17'57" TO A NON-TANGENT INTERSECTION; THENCE S.41°09'04"E., A DISTANCE OF 33.68 FEET; THENCE S.01°11'52"W., A DISTANCE OF 2,439.33 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINING: 17,496,018.76 SQUARE FEET OR 401.652 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.



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### FPL Westlake Solar Energy Center

Site Plan Approval Justification Statement December 18, 2017

#### Introduction

The subject application requests approval of a Site Plan for the FPL Westlake Solar Energy Center (Facility). The subject property is approximately 400 acres in size and is located at the western end of the City of Westlake (Property).

#### Background

The subject Property is within the Minto Westlake approvals as part of the overall site located east and west of Seminole Pratt Whitney Blvd., South of 60<sup>th</sup> Street North, and North of 50<sup>th</sup> Street N, East of Mead Hill Drive, and 44<sup>th</sup> Street North, East of 190<sup>th</sup> Terrace North and West of 140<sup>th</sup> Avenue North (Minto Westlake Property). The 3,788.60-acre Minto Westlake property has a current FLUA designation of Agricultural Enclave. The subject Property is currently in active agriculture, with built parcels including a utility site and a packing plant.

The Minto Westlake Property is roughly co-extensive with boundary of the Seminole Improvement District (SID), a legislatively-created special district with the authority to provide public infrastructure and services and to operate district facilities. SID provides drainage, water, and wastewater services for the subject property, and owns a canal right-of-way and/or easement for access and drainage from the subject site running approximately four miles south to the C-51 Canal.

#### **Historic and Recent Planning and Zoning Entitlements**

On October 29, 2014, Palm Beach County approved a Comprehensive Plan Amendment (Ordinance 2014-030), Rezoning and Preliminary Master Plan (Resolution 2014-1646), and Requested Uses (Resolutions 2014-1647 and 1648) for the Minto Westlake Property.

Ordinance No. 2014-030 approved an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan for the site specific Agricultural Enclave, including a Conceptual Master Plan and Implementing Principles. The Ordinance also made various text changes to the Plan related to the Agricultural Enclave Future Land Use. These Amendments were codified and are included as part of the Palm Beach County's Comprehensive Plan.

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Resolution No. 2014-1646 approved the Zoning application for the Minto West Traditional Development District. The Resolution included rezoning the property from Agricultural Residential (AR) and Public Ownership (PO) Zoning Districts to the Traditional Town Development (TTD) Zoning District.

Resolution No. R-2014-1647 approved a Requested Use for a College or University to be located within the property.

Resolution No. R-2014-1648 approved a Requested Use for a Hotel to be located within the property. The following are the applicable conditions of approval.

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On June 20, 2016, the City of Westlake became the 39th municipality in Palm Beach County.

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#### Maintenance

The project requires a relatively low amount of maintenance, which primarily involves mowing on a regular basis. The lawn maintenance will be provided by a contracted company who will bring any necessary equipment to the property. No lawn equipment will be stored onsite.

#### Drainage

The existing farm ditches will remain in place and will be utilized to meet the drainage needs of the project. After the solar panels are installed, the property will remain primarily pervious. The panels create only approximately three percent impervious area. No drainage improvements are needed for the project.

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#### Phasing

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The project will be constructed in one phase.

#### Conclusion

The Applicant requests approval of the Site Plan for the FPL Westlake Solar Energy Center as presented. The application is in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan, Westlake Conceptual Plan, and conditions of approval of the Development Order as well as any applicable ULDC regulations. The Applicant looks forward to working with together to bring the City the first solar energy facility in Palm Beach County.



#### **CITY OF WESTLAKE**

Planning and Zoning Department 4001 Seminole Pratt Whitney Road Westlake, Florida 33470 Phone: (561) 530-5880 www.westlakegov.com

DATE: February 14, 2018

PETITION NUMBER: SP-2017-03

APPLICANT: Cotleur & Hearing

**OWNER**: MINTO PBLH, LLC

**REQUEST:** FPL Solar Energy Center Site Plan

AFFECTED PCN: 77-40-43-02-00-000-1010 77-40-43-03-00-000-1020

**RESUBMITTED**: February 6, 2018

#### **PLANNING & ZONING APPROVAL**

Petition No. SP-2017-03 is hereby approved without conditions per Cotleur & Hearing, FPL Westlake Solar Energy Center, Site Plan, last revised 02-05-18, and received by the City on February 5, 2018.

**APPROVED BY:** 

Velsa Zacana

2/14/18

Nilsa Zacarias, AICP

Date



#### **CITY OF WESTLAKE**

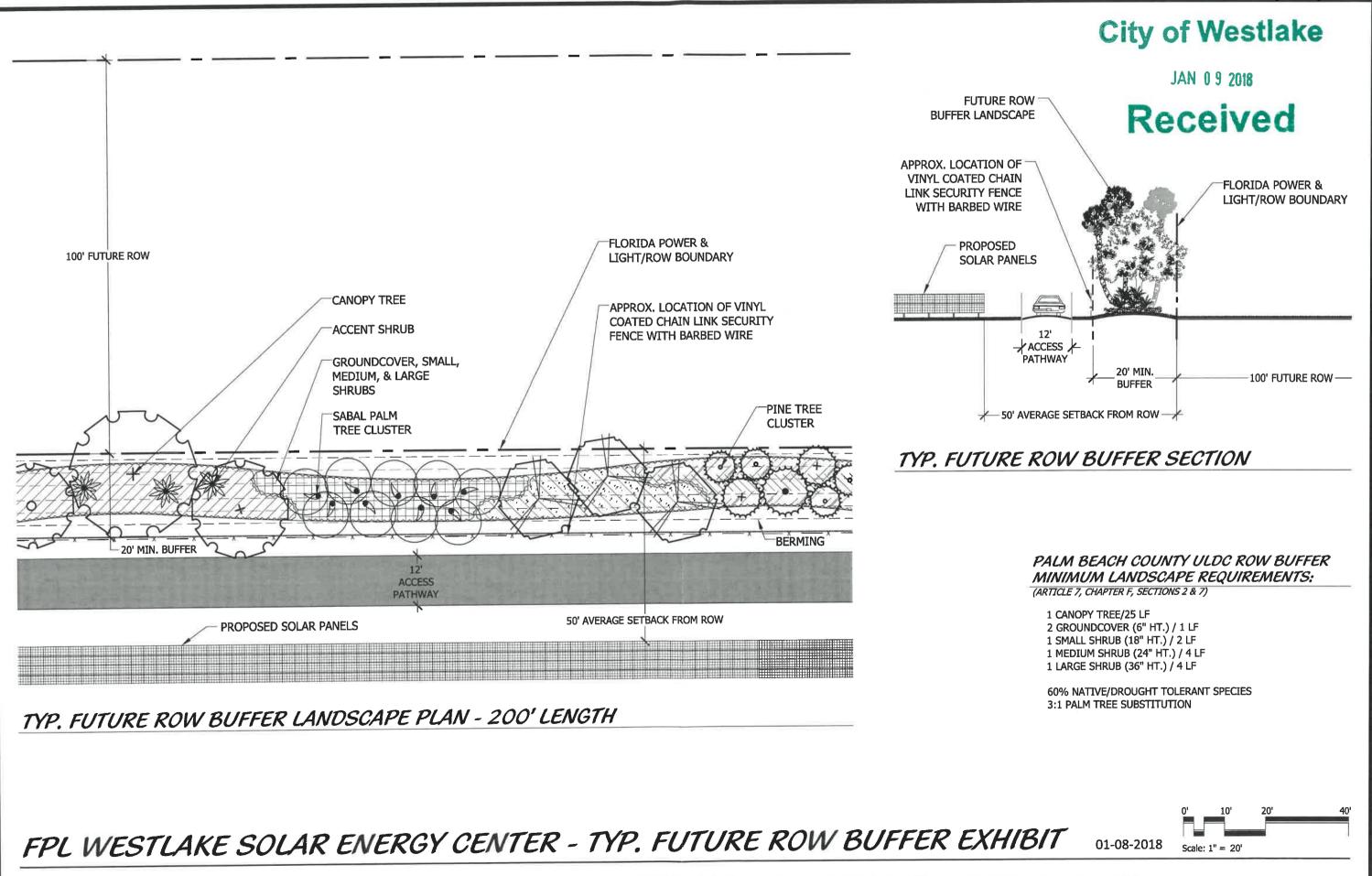
Engineering Department 4001 Seminole Pratt Whitney Road Westlake, Florida 33470 Phone: (561) 530-5880 www.westlakegov.com

1.	DATE:	3/5/2018
2.	<b>PETITION NUMBER:</b>	SP-2017-03
3.	DESCRIPTION	
	APPLICANT:	FPL – Florida Power and Light.
	OWNER:	Minto PBLH, LLC
	REQUEST:	FPL Westlake Solar Energy Center Final Site Plan Approval
	LOCATION:	Westlake, Florida
4.	STAFF REVIEW:	Approval

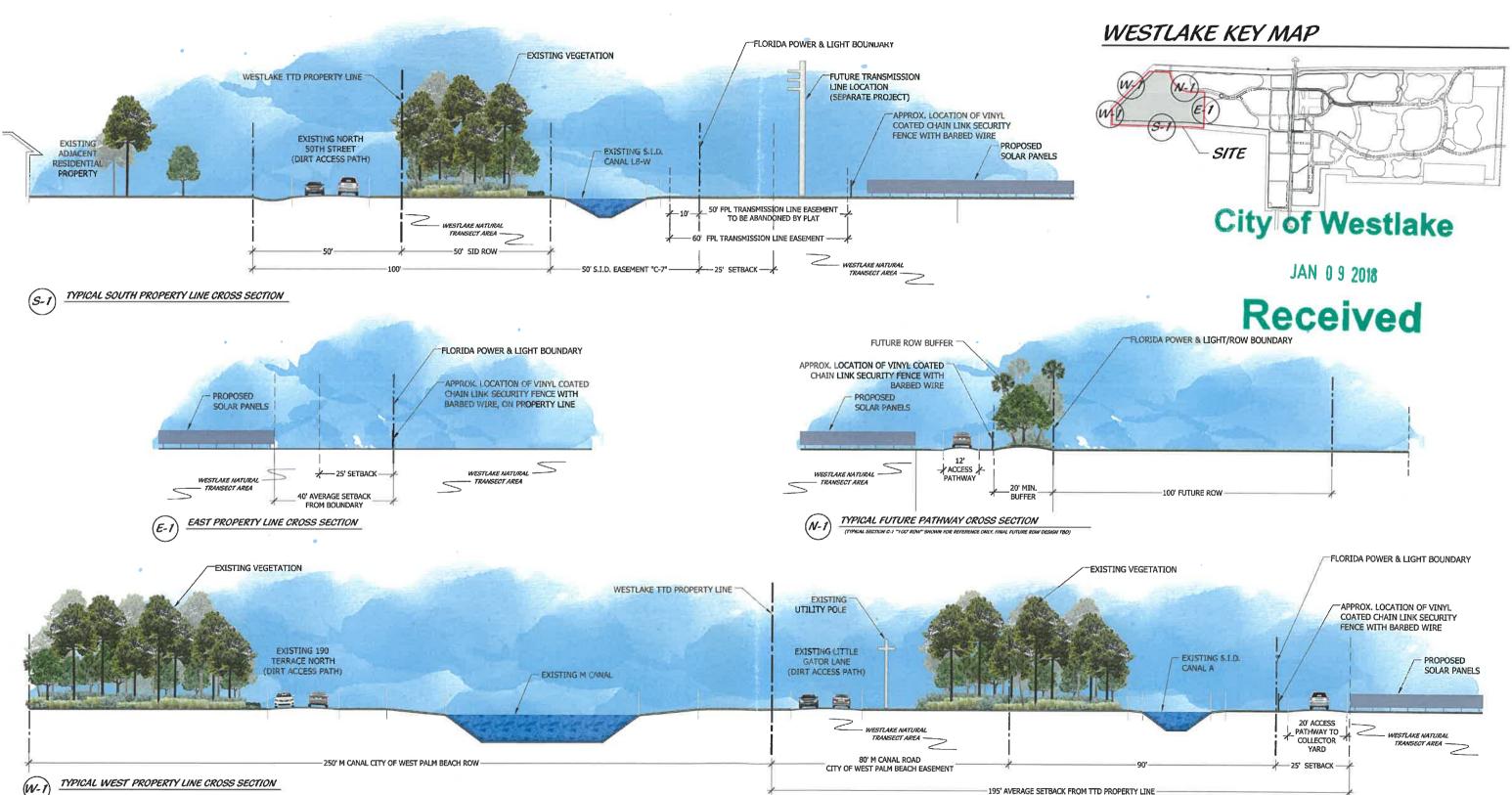
The Engineering Department approves the plans.

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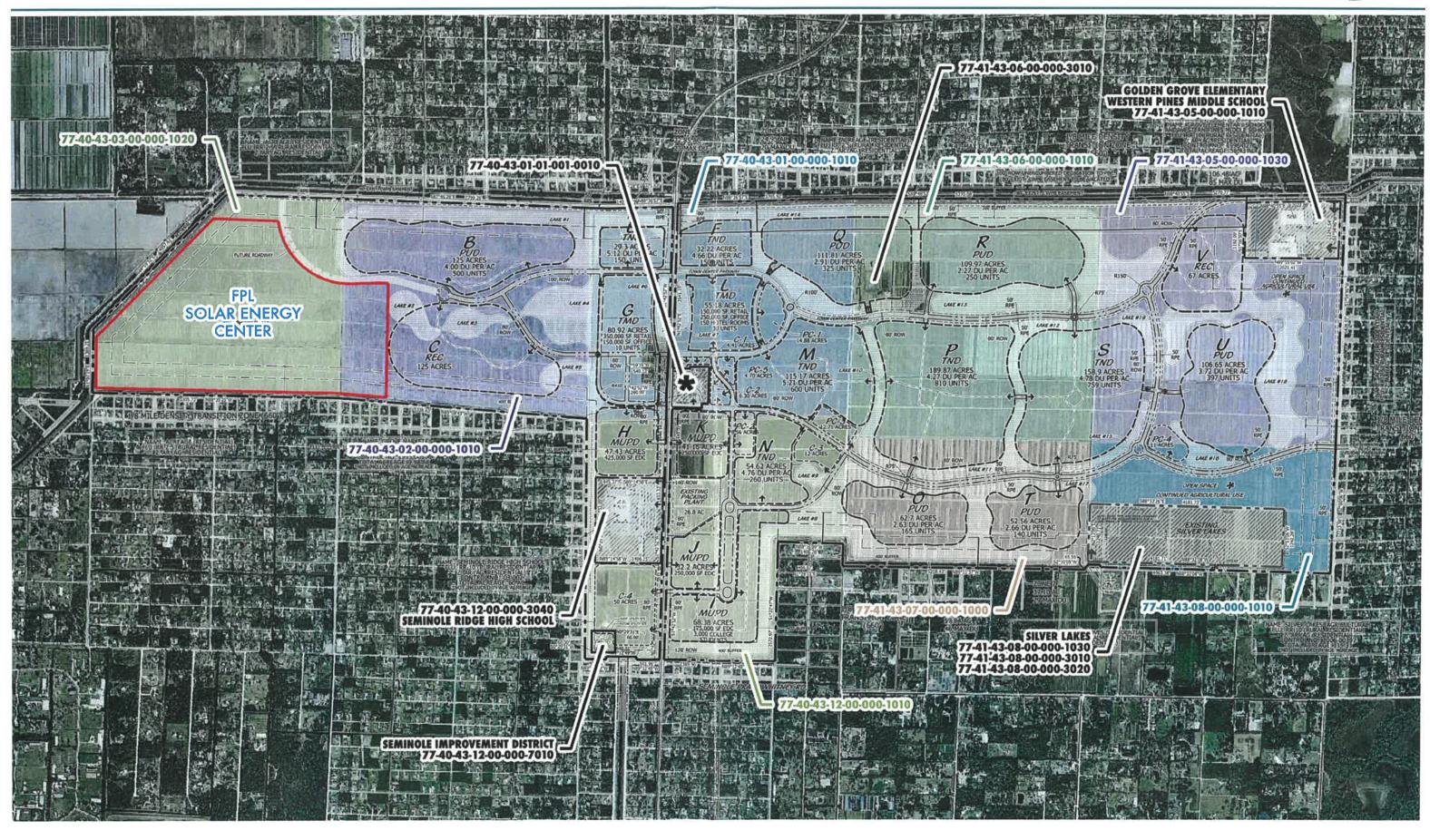
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