

## Staff Report

**Subject:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading -Ordinance Revision  
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**Department:** Development Services  
**Meeting Date:** 08/19/2025  
**Item Description:** Consideration to approve an amendment to the Code of Ordinances-  
**Part II- Official Code, Appendix C- Article III- 3.47- Residential  
Subdivision Open Space and Green Space Article.**

### **Executive Summary/Background:**

- The purpose of this article is to establish regulations for open space and green space in residential subdivisions and promote environmentally responsible development.
- Defines the different types of open space and what is considered open space.
- Presents the requirements of open space based on the zoning district and how to calculate the net total acreage.
- Lists some of the types of open space and amenities to meet the open space requirement.
- Lists recreational requirements and opportunities to receive enhanced amenity credits and density bonuses.
- Explains the ownership and maintenance requirements.
- Discusses trail standards for open space credit, including but not limited to trails, certain ponds, and amenity centers.
- Discusses ponds and water features as open space.
- An example of how to calculate open space.

### **Alternatives for Commission to Consider:**

**Approve** the revision to Code of Ordinances- **Part II- Official Code, Appendix C- Article- III- 3.47- Residential Subdivision Open Space and Green Space Article.**

**Deny** the revision to Code of Ordinances- **Part II- Official Code, Appendix C- Article- III- 3.47- Residential Subdivision Open Space and Green Space Article.**

**Recommended Alternative:** Staff recommends Alternative #1

**Other Alternatives:** Alternative # 2

**Department Review:** Development Services

### **Attachments:**

1. Updated Ordinance