



STAFF REPORT

CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA

TO: Planning and Zoning Commission **MEETING DATE:** June 27, 2023
FROM: Michael Daniels, AICP, Development Services Director
SUBJECT: Ordinance O-23-2023 regarding proposed Landscape Ordinance Revisions

BACKGROUND

The Citizens Advisory Committee, led by Chris Gay have evaluated the City's current Landscape Ordinance and are recommending changes regarding the following areas:

1. Purpose and Intent
2. Definitions
3. Landscape Design and Materials
4. Tree Preservation during development and construction
5. Removal of Tree Requirements
6. Exceptions and Exemptions
7. Conditions for Tree Removal
8. Tree Replacement Requirements
9. List of Recommended Plants

Mr. Gay has made a recommendation to City Council on May 16, 2023, and Council directed to staff to work with Mr. Gay and move forward with proposed revisions.

Included in the packet is:

1. The existing landscape ordinance (pgs 35-46)
2. Mr. Gay's proposed changes to the landscape ordinance (revisions in red, pgs 47-66).
3. Staff comments and proposed amendments to the landscape ordinance (revisions in blue and comments on the right hand side, pgs 67-87).

Due to the size and scope of the proposed changes, staff is recommending that the agenda item be used for discussion purposes and be tabled to the July Planning Commission meeting for official action.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

Motion to table ordinance O-23-2023 to the July 25th Planning Commission meeting.