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## PROPERTY RIGHTS ELEMENT

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### **PURPOSE**

Effective July 1, 2021, under Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, each local government is required to adopt and include a Property Rights Element in its comprehensive plan. Inclusion of the property rights element is intended to protect private property rights and to ensure they are considered in local decision-making.

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### Property Rights Element Goals, Objectives and Policies

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*Goal 9.1 The City will make decisions with respect for judicially acknowledged and constitutionally protected private property rights, and with respect for people's rights to participate in decisions that affect their lives and property.*

**Objective 9.1.1** - The City will respect judicially acknowledged and constitutionally protected private property rights.

Policy 9.1.1.1 - The City shall consider the right of a property owner to physically possess and control his or her interests in the property, including easements, leases, or mineral rights.

Policy 9.1.2.1 - The City shall consider the right of a property owner to use, maintain, develop, and improve his or her property for personal use or for the use of any other person, subject to state law and local ordinances.

Policy 9.1.3.1 - The City shall consider the right of the property owner to privacy and to exclude others from the property to protect the owner's possessions and property.

Policy 9.1.4.1 - The City shall consider the right of a property owner to dispose of his or her property through sale or gift.