

**RESOLUTION 2025-13**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA DESIGNATING THE CITY MANAGER AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY RESPONSIBLE FOR FINAL PLAT AND REPLAT APPROVALS IN COMPLIANCE WITH FLORIDA LAW; ALLOWING FOR DESIGNEE TO ACT ON CITY MANAGER'S BEHALF; ADDRESSING COMMENCEMENT OF NEW SUBDIVISION STANDARDS IN CITY CODE AMENDMENTS AS SOON AS REASONABLY POSSIBLE TO ENSURE LEGAL COMPLIANCE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, in 2025, the Florida Legislature approved Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 784, amending s.177.071 and s.177.111 *Florida Statutes* pertaining to platting; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill 784 was approved by the Governor on June 20, 2025, and subsequently filed in the Office of the Florida Secretary of State as Chapter 2025-164, Laws of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, among other changes related to platting, this new law requires the approval of plats and replats for the subdivision of land by an administrative authority; and

**WHEREAS**, this new law defines the term "administrative authority" as a department, division, or other agency of the county or municipality and for the purposes of issuing a final administrative approval of a plat or replat submittal, the term also includes an administrative officer or employee designated by the governing body of a county or municipality, including but not limited to, a county administrator or manager, a city manager, a deputy county administrator or manager, a deputy city manager, an assistant county administrator or manager, an assistant city manager or other high-ranking county or city department or division director with direct or indirect oversight responsibility for the county's or municipality's land development, housing, utilities, or public works programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Unified Land Development Code of the City of Wauchula addresses the administration and enforcement of the City's Subdivision Standards in Section 7.06.00 "Subdivision Regulations"; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 2025-164 shall take effect on July 1, 2025, making it necessary for the City Commission to designate an administrative officer or employee ahead of a broader package of Land Development Code amendments to ensure compliance with this and other recent State legislation affecting the county and municipal development review processes that have subsequently been signed into law.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA:**

**SECTION 1.** The City Manager is hereby designated as the administrative authority responsible for issuing final administrative approval of a plat or replat submittal. The City Manager may designate a qualified administrative staff member to act on their behalf.

**SECTION 2.** The City will initiate amendments to the Land Development Code to ensure compliance with Chapter 205-164, Laws of Florida, as soon as reasonably possible.

**SECTION 3.** If any word, sentence, clause, phrase, or provision of this Resolution, for any reason, is held to be unconstitutional, void, or invalid, the validity of the remainder of this Resolution shall not be affected thereby.

**SECTION 4.** This Resolution shall become effective upon passage.

**INTRODUCED AND PASSED** on first reading in regular session of the City Commission of the City of Wauchula, the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_, 2025.

This resolution was moved for adoption by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_.  
The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Anne Miller \_\_\_\_\_ insert yes or no

Commissioner Russell Graylin Smith \_\_\_\_\_ insert yes or no

Commissioner Keith Nadaskay, Jr \_\_\_\_\_ insert yes or no

Commissioner Dr. Sherri Albritton \_\_\_\_\_ insert yes or no

Commissioner Gary Smith \_\_\_\_\_ insert yes or no

(SEAL)

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Stephanie Camacho, City Clerk

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Richard Keith Nadaskay, Jr., Mayor

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:**

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Thomas A. Cloud, City Attorney