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**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-02**

**AN ORDINANCE OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL AMENDING THE WELLINGTON LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, MORE SPECIFICALLY, A ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT TO MODIFY SECTION 6.4.1.A.5 OF ARTICLE 6, FOR PURPOSES OF CLARIFYING FENCE SETBACK REQUIREMENTS, MODIFYING HEDGE HEIGHT REQUIREMENTS, AND PROVIDING ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVALS WITH CRITERIA REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-COMFORMING HEDGES ALONG MAJOR THOROUGHFARES IN EFFORTS TO ACHIEVING CONSISTENT APPEARANCE FOR HEDGES AND FENCES ALONG THOROUGHFARES, AS CONTAINED HEREIN; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Wellington Council, as the governing body, pursuant to the authority vested in Chapters 163 and 166, Florida Statutes, is authorized and empowered to consider changes to its Land Development Regulations (LDR); and

**WHEREAS**, on October 26, 2021, Wellington's Council adopted a Zoning Text Amendment for Article 6.4.1.A.5 in efforts to improve the appearance of privately-owned hedges and fences along major thoroughfares; and

**WHEREAS**, the challenges found during implementation prompted staff to re-evaluate the regulations based on concerns provided by residents and initiated this update to provide clarity, consistency, and additional modifications to section 6.4.1.A.5; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed text amendment to section 6.4.1.A.5 of the Land Development Regulations is consistent with the LDR and Wellington's Comprehensive Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning, Zoning and Adjustment Board, acting as the Local Planning Agency, after notice and public hearing on March 28, 2024, has reviewed the proposed ordinance and made a recommendation for approval with a 5-0 vote; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wellington Council has taken the recommendations from the Local Planning Agency, Wellington staff, and comments from the public into consideration as part of the review of the proposed amendment to Article 6.4.1.A.5 of the Land Development Regulations that are the subject of this ordinance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA THAT:**

**SECTION 1.** Section 6.4.1.A.5 of the Wellington Land Development Regulations, is hereby amended, as specifically provided for in Exhibit A.

**SECTION 2.** Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance conflict with any section, paragraph, clause or phrase of any prior Wellington

48 ordinance, resolution, or municipal code provision, then in that event the provisions of this  
49 ordinance shall prevail to the extent of such conflict.

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51 **SECTION 3.** Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phase of this  
52 ordinance be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not  
53 affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any portion of part thereof, other than the part  
54 so declared to be invalid.

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56 **SECTION 4.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption of the  
57 Wellington Council following second reading.

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59 **PASSED** this 11th day of June, 2024, upon first reading.

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61 **PASSED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2024, on second and final  
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84 **ATTEST:**

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88 Chevelle D. Hall, MMC, Village Clerk

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91 **APPROVED AS TO FORM AND**  
92 **LEGAL SUFFICIENCY**

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95 BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
96 Laurie Cohen, Village Attorney