

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-01

AN ORDINANCE OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL AMENDING THE WELLINGTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, MORE SPECIFICALLY, TO REPEAL THE EQUESTRIAN PRESERVATION ELEMENT AND REPLACE WITH THE EQUESTRIAN PRESERVE ELEMENT, IN ITS ENTIRETY, 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 it by Chapter 163, Chapter 166 and Chapter 177, Florida Statutes, is authorized and empowered to consider changes to its Comprehensive Plan (Plan); and

**WHEREAS**, after incorporation in 1996, the Wellington Council adopted the first Comprehensive Plan in 1999; and

**WHEREAS**, since its initial adoption in 1999, Evaluation and Appraisal Report-based amendments and other minor amendments to the Comprehensive Plan have been adopted to address changed conditions and/or to suit specific needs of Wellington to ensure the health, safety, welfare and overall quality of life; and

**WHEREAS**, Wellington believes that it is in the best interest of the community update the Comprehensive Plan to identify and set the future direction for the next 10 to 20 years; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan address updates and new goals, objectives, and policies (GOPs) for all required and optional elements pursuant to Florida Statutes; and

**WHEREAS**, each element of the Comprehensive Plan is based upon relevant and appropriate data and analysis, including population projections, studies, plans, and maps, available at the time of adoption of the Comprehensive Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Equestrian Preserve Committee (EPC), after notice and public hearing on March 3, 2021, reviewed the proposed Ordinance and made a recommendation for approval with a 7-0 vote with modifications; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning, Zoning and Adjustment Board (PZAB), acting as the Local Planning Agency, after notice and public hearing on April 14, 2021, reviewed the proposed Ordinance for consistency with Wellington's Comprehensive Plan and made a recommendation for approval with modifications with a 4-0 vote; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council has taken the recommendations from the EPC, the PZAB, Wellington staff, and the comments from the public into consideration as part of the review of the proposed amendment to the Comprehensive Plan that are the subject of this Ordinance.

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

**SECTION 1.** The Equestrian Preservation Element of the Comprehensive Plan is hereby repealed and replaced, in its entirety, with the Equestrian Preserve Element presented in Exhibit A of the Ordinance.

**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 Ordinance, Resolution, or Municipal Code provision, in that event the provisions of this Ordinance shall prevail to the extent of such conflict.

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

**SECTION 4.** This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption of the Village Council following second reading.

**PASSED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, upon first reading.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2021, on second and final reading.

**WELLINGTON**

	<b>FOR</b>	<b>AGAINST</b>
BY: _____	_____	_____
Anne Gerwig, Mayor		
_____	_____	_____
John T. McGovern, Vice Mayor		
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Michael Drahos, Councilman		
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Michael J. Napoleone, Councilman		
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Tanya Siskind, Councilwoman		

**ATTEST:**

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chevelle D. Addie, Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY**

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