

Regulatory Relief Priority List

- Immediate Action
- BCC Action
- Legislative Action

Immediate actions are actions that can be instantly implemented by changing policy.

- Reduce DRS review cycle from 30 days to 15 elapsed days – consider DRC process
- Eliminate DRS re-submittal fee
- Adopt developer friendly atmosphere – mimic Orange County model
- Eliminate holding DRS approval subject to other agency approvals
- Stop sending minor code enforcement violations to court
- Streamline platting Process
- Refine Concurrency Buy-Out Table – counter 50% developable mentality
- Convert the “crawl-thru” review process to a 1-hour “walk-thru” process for minor projects
- Eliminate Driveway and Utility Licenses for county projects
- Review need to distribute 20 copies of plans for site plan review

Short term actions that will require BCC consideration

- Revisit NPDES delegation of federal storm water responsibility as unnecessary unfunded mandate
- Adopt SWFWMD drainage rules
 1. Eliminate separate county drainage review
 2. Exemptions for small increases in impervious areas
 3. Incentives for shared/regional retention
- Sunset the Pinellas County Water and Navigation Authority or assume SWFWMD delegation
- Local Building Code amendment to include International Building Code
- Create Redevelopment Overlay District w/ incentives, relief
- Encourage Development Agreements
- Eliminate Tree replacement ratios for redevelopment – adopt BMP strategy

Short term actions - continued

- Eliminate upland buffer requirement for redevelopment projects
- Eliminate 50 ft setback from jurisdictional wetlands
- Change Excavation Limit from 250 cy to 1000 cy for Board of Adjustment
- Relax sign ordinance
- Develop Countywide Tree Bank
- Tax Abatement Incentives
- Revise and relax parking requirements to encourage redevelopment, include shared parking, structured parking, on-street parking, reduced parking requirements, public transit stops, etc.

Short term actions - continued

- Promote Mixed Use Development
- Use less “Euclidean type zoning where the use restrictions are very structured and hierarchical, but rather more varied districts with a wider range of allowable uses
- Integrate redevelopment planning with transportation planning and better public transit
- Use transportation concurrency exception areas, and reinstitute “no fee zones” for transportation impact fees in redevelopment areas

Long term actions that will require legislative assistance

- Eliminate NPDES permitting/ incorporate into ERP process
- Annexation War resolution
- Regional Storm Water Facility Banking – allow co-mingling of runoff/shared retention
- Special Growth Management Legislation for Developed Counties
- Pinellas Planning Council
 1. Make the PPC the County-Wide Planning Agency and the BCC the arbiter of appeals
 2. Reconstitute the PPC with nine members instead of thirteen
 3. Negotiate an agreement with DCA to handle Redevelopment LU Changes locally