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Sec. 30-73. Conservation district (CON).

(a) *Purpose.* The CON district is established for the purpose of conserving, restoring and protecting environmentally significant lands within the city and for establishing natural buffers between incompatible uses. It is intended that this district shall protect, restore and preserve natural features and open space so that the present and future residents of the city shall be able to enjoy the benefits of the natural environment of the city.

(b) *Objectives.* The provisions of this district are intended to:

- (1) Conserve parks, recreational areas, open space, floodplains and unique natural features.
- (2) Protect and restore the natural features of the city, environmentally significant lands along creeks, wetlands, uplands and lakes, areas subject to detrimental erosion, and areas subject to noise disturbance due to aircraft-generated sound levels in close proximity to an airport or under a flight path.
- (3) Restrict the development of lands upon which a more intensive development would cause adverse environmental impact.
- (4) Provide the assurance of natural buffering between incompatible land uses.

(c) *Permitted uses.*

(1) *Uses by right.*

- a. Passive public parks and recreational facilities as defined in the comprehensive plan, and which do not create an adverse impact on natural areas.
- b. Public lands designated for open space or conservation.
- c. Open space buffers between incompatible land uses.
- d. Single-family dwellings (one unit per five acres) and customary accessory buildings incidental thereto.
- e. Private recreational or open space lands which have had development rights conveyed to the public, or for which a covenant of at least ten years' duration is executed ensuring that only open space, outdoor recreation or park uses shall be permitted, in accordance with F.S. § 193.501.
- f. Water conservation areas, water reservoirs and control structures, drainage wells and water wells.
- g. Emergency shelters.
- h. Arboreta and botanical or zoological gardens (GN-842).
- i. Any accessory use which is incidental to any permitted principal use.
- j. Community residential homes in accordance with Article VI.

(2) *Uses by special use permit.* Uses by special use permit, provided the conditions and requirements of Article VI are met: Transmitter towers.