



Legislation Text

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TEXT CHANGE - AMEND LIST OF PERMITTED USES BY RIGHT FOR THE AF ZONING DISTRICT (B)

Ordinance 140392; Petition No. PB-14-111 TCH

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending Section 30-76 of the Land Development Code within the Code of Ordinances to allow hard armor systems manufacturing and assembly as a use permitted by right in the Airport Facilities (AF) zoning district; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an immediate effective date.

The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT STAFF REPORT

This ordinance amends Section 30-76 of the Land Development Code to allow manufacturing and assembly of hard armor systems as a use permitted by right in the Airport Facilities (AF) zoning district. Currently, Phalanx Systems conducts ballistic testing, engineering activities, and light kit assembly and shipping functions, which is allowed by MG-87 of the Standard Industrial Code (SIC) classification in the AF zoning district. Phalanx plans to expand its operations to include the use of hydraulic presses to produce hard armor systems, coating for hard armor and other potential products. Additionally, the company has indicated that they will increase their cut and sew capabilities to full manufacturing levels using one or more robotic cutting machines and a bank of specialized industrial sewing machines. These additions will enable the company to produce soft goods and ballistic products in house. The use as proposed would be consistent with changes proposed in the update of the Land Development Code that move away from the SIC classification system to a more general system of classifying uses. The new Land Development Code would classify the use as "Light assembly, fabrication, and processing," which includes the assembly, fabrication, processing, or packaging of components or products that are derived from previously prepared materials.

After public notice was published in the Gainesville Sun on September 9, 2014, the City Plan Board held a public hearing on September 25, 2014, and recommended approval of the petition by a vote of 5-0.

CITY ATTORNEY MEMORANDUM

This ordinance requires two readings and shall become effective immediately upon adoption.