

RESOLUTION Z-97-60

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA, GRANTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW A TREE SERVICE AND WOOD RECYCLING CENTER IN AN "A" (AGRICULTURE) DISTRICT; PROVIDING REVISED CONDITIONS GOVERNING THE SPECIAL USE PERMIT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, Zoning Application #ZOS-22-97 has been duly filed and was considered by the Alachua County Planning Commission at its meeting of November 19, 1997; and,

WHEREAS, the Application was considered by the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners at its meeting of December 9, 1997;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Zoning Application #ZOS-22-97, as summarized in Exhibit "A" of this Resolution, is hereby approved, and the real property described within the application shall, unless changed in accordance with law, hereafter bear the zoning district classification of "A" (Agriculture), with a Special Use Permit to allow a tree service and wood recycling center, subject to the following conditions:

1. This special use permit is issued to Bill Gaston for the processing and transfer of vegetative material (wood materials and yard waste) acquired from the public (including other tree trimming contractors, landscape maintenance contractors, and individual citizens) and the applicant's tree trimming service into pulpwood, firewood, lumber, woodchips, and mulch. Composting of vegetative material shall be permitted, and topsoil created by composting may be sold from the site. No grading or excavation of the site in order to remove the existing topsoil shall be allowed by this special use permit. No open burning of

6. Any buildings or parking and storage area for vehicles shall be located a minimum of 75' from any boundary of the 15-acre site.

7. The areas for storage and processing of the various vegetative materials shall be designated on the site plan. The windrows of debris shall be separated by a distance of 50 feet. The windrows shall also have a 30 ft. break for every 150 feet in length. Material may be stored up to one year.

8. The applicant shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances, now and hereafter in force, which may be applicable to the use of the site. The applicant shall obtain all necessary permits required by other local, state, or federal agencies for the operation of this facility. This permit shall be valid only so long as all other required permits are in effect and the facility is operated in conformance with the requirements of those other agencies.

9. Any operation of equipment, including, but not limited to, a chipper, tub grinder, or portable sawmill, which creates noise audible off the site, shall be limited to daylight hours.

10. One, on-site, unilluminated sign shall be permitted. Any outdoor lighting on site shall low intensity and designed to direct the light down and away from the surrounding property.

11. Retail sales to the public shall be permitted at the site. The applicant may also deliver products to off-site purchasers.

12. The applicant shall provide a fire suppression water source which provides a minimum of 500 g.p.m. of water with approved fire department standard connections accessible throughout the facility, while maintaining a positive residual pressure in the fire protection system.

13. The applicant shall follow the recommended practices for establishing and maintaining the stored materials (both processed and unprocessed vegetation) contained in the National Fire Protection Association's "Recommended Safe Practice for Storage of Forest Products (1990 Edition) Standard 46. This standard provides recommended safe wood and wood product storage pile sizes, safe setbacks to protect both the storage piles and other exposures from fire, appropriate access alleyways and drives for fire suppression equipment, and general fire prevention practices for the site. It is important that the wood product material(s) storage piles are maintained in specified length, width and height dimensions

efforts to utilize landscape and yard trash. The proposed use would increase the yard waste that the applicant is able to recycle by providing processing and storage space for the trees, brush, and other yard waste received as a result of the tree-trimming service. The proposed use would also increase the recycling opportunities for businesses and residents of Alachua County by providing an alternative means of disposal of waste materials.

Policy 7.1 of the Future Land Use Element states that the County shall encourage agricultural uses. The proposed use would process agricultural products, trees and yard waste materials, into mulch, woodchips, firewood, lumber, pulpwood, and compost.

2. Section 14 of the Alachua County Zoning Regulations states that no relief may be granted or action taken under the terms of this Section unless such relief can be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and will not substantially impair the intent and purpose of the Alachua County Comprehensive Plan or these regulations. The terms and conditions of this permit ensure that it may be granted without substantial detriment to the public good. The conditions include requirements for buffers, limited hours of operation for specific activities, fire suppression capability, environmental protection, a traffic analysis, and limits on the volume of wood and wood products stored on site as well as any noise generated from the facility.

3. A more intensive operation, Wood Resource Recovery, was permitted on this site. The permit for that operation expired December 31, 1996. The applicant currently owns a similar operation (which is not open to the public) on a site approximately 500 feet to the south. With an approved facility previously existing on the site, and a similar operation permitted in the immediate area, approval of this request does not introduce a new use to the area. The approval of this request provides a new facility to increase the ability for the recycling of tree debris and yard waste.

4. Condition #13 requires the applicant to follow the recommended practices for establishing and maintaining the stored materials (both processed and unprocessed vegetation) contained in the National Fire Protection Association's "Recommended Safe Practice for Storage of Forest Products (1990 Edition) Standard 46. This standard provides recommended safe wood and wood product storage pile

EXHIBIT A

Application #ZOS-22-97 (Special Use Permit):

A request by Bill Gaston, owner, for a Special Use Permit to allow a tree service and wood recycling center in an "A" (Agriculture) district on approximately 15 acres located at 10606 North State Road 121 (formerly the location of Wood Resource Recovery).

Legal Description:

A PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 19 EAST ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

FOR A POINT OF REFERENCE COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 19 EAST; THENCE RUN NORTH 86 DEG. 01 MIN. 43 SEC. EAST, A DISTANCE OF 88.39 FEET TO A POINT ON THE CENTERLINE OF STATE ROAD NO. 121, SAID POINT BEING ON A CURVE CONCAVE SOUTHWESTERLY AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 2,864.79 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG SAID CENTERLINE OF STATE ROAD NO. 121 WITH SAID CURVE, THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 02 DEG. 37 MIN. 38 SEC., AN ARC LENGTH OF 131.36 FEET AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF SOUTH 12 DEG. 02 MIN. 24 SEC. EAST, 131.35 FEET TO THE POINT OF TANGENCY; THENCE RUN SOUTH 10 DEG. 43 MIN. 35 SEC. EAST ALONG SAID CENTERLINE A DISTANCE OF 986.47 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 79 DEG. 16 MIN. 25 SEC. WEST, A DISTANCE OF 60.00 FEET TO THE WESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF SAID STATE ROAD NO. 121; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 79 DEG. 16 MIN. 25 SEC. WEST, A DISTANCE OF 639.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE RUN SOUTH 10 DEG. 43 MIN. 35 SEC. EAST, A DISTANCE OF 726.00 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 79 DEG. 16 MIN. 25 SEC. WEST, A DISTANCE OF 900.00 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 10 DEG. 43 MIN. 35 SEC. WEST, A DISTANCE OF 726.00 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 79 DEG. 16 MIN. 25 SEC. EAST, A DISTANCE OF 900.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 15.000 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.