ORDINANCE NUMBER 2005-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GREENWOOD, FLORIDA ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS OTHER THAN FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE ON AN EXISTING LOT OF RECORD AS OF THE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE; STATING THE PURPOSE OF THE TEMPORARY MORATORIUM; DECLARING THE DURATION OF THE TEMPORARY MORATORIUM AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

- WHEREAS; the Town of Greenwood has adopted its Comprehensive Plan effective June 10, 1997, and has adopted Land Development Regulations intended to implement the adopted Comprehensive Plan.
- WHEREAS; the Town Council of the Town of Greenwood has noted the rapid development of land within and adjacent to the Town limits and has noted the consequential growing demands on Town services.
- WHEREAS; although the Town Council has incorporated changes to the adopted Comprehensive Plan and development regulations in the past, a comprehensive review of the Comprehensive Plan has never been undertaken and there has never been an evaluation of the effectiveness of the implementation of that Plan through the Land Development Regulations.
- WHEREAS; a comprehensive review is required to study the impact of pending and possible development within and adjacent to the Town on transportation, public safety, adequacy of public facilities, recreation and open space, accessibility for emergency and public service, vehicular and pedestrian traffic, school siting, drainage and the availability of water and wastewater facilities.
- WHEREAS; the Town recognizes that effective planning is necessary to preserve and enhance present advantages; encourage the most appropriate use of land, water, and resources, consistent with the public interest; overcome present handicaps; and deal effectively with future problems that may result from the use and development of land within its jurisdiction.
- WHEREAS; the Town requires time to review, consider, modify and process for adoption an update to its Comprehensive Plan and to assess the effectiveness of the implementing Land Development Regulations.
- **WHEREAS**; the Town determines that a temporary moratorium on development applications is necessary to enable the Town to undertake a thorough analysis of the Comprehensive Plan and implementing Land Development Regulations.

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained and enacted:

- 1. <u>Moratorium Established.</u> Upon the effective date of this Ordinance, the Town will not receive or process any application for development within its jurisdictional limits and will not process any application for commitment of water and/or waste water treatment services to any development other than a single family residence on a lot of record existing as of the effective date of this Ordinance.
- 2. **Purpose.** The purposes of this Ordinance are to (i) allow the Town to preserve, promote, protect, and improve the public health, safety, comfort, good order, appearance, convenience, law enforcement and fire prevention, and general welfare; prevent the overcrowding of land and avoid undue concentration of population; facilitate the adequate and efficient provision of transportation, water, sewerage, schools, parks, recreational facilities, housing, and other

requirements and services; and conserve, develop, utilize, and protect natural resources within its jurisdiction and (ii) facilitate cooperation and coordination of planning and development activities of the Town with the planning activities of regional agencies and state government in accord with applicable provisions of law.

- 3. <u>Duration.</u> This Ordinance shall be effective for a period of 12 months or until a non-appealable final order finding an amended comprehensive plan "in compliance" has been issued by the state land planning agency, whichever is first to occur.
- 4. **Effective Date.** This Ordinance is effective upon adoption.

Adopted at a duly advertised public hearing at which a quorum was present and a majority voted in favor, this 8th day of November, 2005.

ATTEST:

SUZONNE M. NESMITH, Town Clerk

TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GREENWOOD, FLORIDA

CHARLES SANDERS, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

GEORGE J. LITTLE, Esq., Town Attorney