

## Walton County Planning and Development Services

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**Date:** July 10, 2020  
**Subject:** Proposed Gulf Shore Manor Neighborhood Plan Survey

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**Dear Gulf Shore Manor Neighbor,**

You are receiving this letter because you own a property in an area that is being proposed for a Neighborhood Plan Area. The Neighborhood Planning Program is described in Chapter 8 of the Walton County Land Development Code and this is available online at: <https://www.co.walton.fl.us/67/Land-Development-Code>

Neighborhood Plans are overlay districts to the Official Zoning Map and as such can apply additional regulations to designated Neighborhood Plan Areas. Potential changes for the Gulf Shore Manor Neighborhood Plan area may include zoning district changes, changes preventing the further subdivision of land, and changes related to allowed use of property.

### **Community Survey:**

The purpose of this letter is to invite you to complete the online survey found at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZRHQ2PY>

**This survey contains a “ballot of interest” question. Therefore, it is critical that you respond. The “ballot of interest” question determines whether the neighborhood plan project continues. Over 20% of the total responses received must indicate a “YES” vote for the project to continue towards adoption. The survey also contains questions on other topics where your opinion is sought.**

**You will need to enter the survey code found in the top left-hand corner of this letter and on the front of your mailing envelope. If you own multiple properties, you may get multiple notices and codes and you can respond to the survey once for each property you own. If you only own one property, you will get one letter and code and should only provide one survey response.**

**BALLOT OF INTEREST RESULTS RECEIVED AFTER FRIDAY AUGUST 28 at 5:00 PM CST WILL NOT BE COUNTED. Please respond prior to this deadline in order for your vote to be counted.**

### **Next Steps:**

- If the Ballot of Interest is successful, County staff will analyze the results of the survey and publish these results online
- A second community meeting, will be scheduled to discuss the results and formulate the draft Plan

- Depending on level of agreement after this second community meeting a draft Plan will be prepared and published online
- A mail ballot will be prepared with information on the draft plan and voting instructions– Neighborhood Plan’s require approval from at least 66% of the property owners responding
- If the vote is successful, the Plan would be recommended for approval/not recommended for approval by the Walton County Planning Commission at a public hearing
- An ordinance for adoption would be presented to the Walton County Board of County Commissioners at two public hearings
- If approved at the second public hearing, the Plan would become effective on that date and would become part of the Walton County Land Development Code

Additional information is also provided here by the Neighborhood Plan Committee:

<https://www.gulfshoremancor.com/neighborhood-plan>. **This content is not managed by Walton County.**

Future meeting information, vote results, survey results, and all draft proposals will be published on the County’s Neighborhood Plan website: <https://www.co.walton.fl.us/1276/Gulf-Shore-Manor-Neighborhood-Plan>.

Questions or comments can also be directed to Kristen Shell, Planning Manager, at [shekristen@co.walton.fl.us](mailto:shekristen@co.walton.fl.us) or 850-267-1955.

Sincerely,



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