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**ORDINANCE NO. 11-60**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALATKA, FLORIDA AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PALATKA TO AMEND CHAPTER 94-313(A), SHIFTING THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ADMINISTERING BUFFERING AND SCREENING REQUIREMENTS FROM THE BUILDING OFFICIAL TO THE PLANNING DIRECTOR**

**WHEREAS**, application has been made by the Building and Zoning Department, to the City for certain amendments to the Zoning Code of the City of Palatka, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, all the necessary procedural steps have been accomplished, including a public hearing before the Planning Board of the City of Palatka on July 5, 2011, and two public hearings before the City Commission of the City of Palatka on September 22, 2011, and October 6, 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission of the City of Palatka has determined that said amendment should be adopted.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF PALATKA, FLORIDA:**

**Section 1.** The following section of Chapter 94-313, the Palatka Code of Ordinances, shall be revised:

**Administration and enforcement.**

(a) *Administration.* In projects involving issuance of a building permit or certificate of occupancy, the ~~building official~~ planning director shall receive an affidavit executed by the property owner or developer acknowledging the completion of, or commitment of completing by a certain date, the buffer installation prior to issuance of the certificate of occupancy.

In instances where the buffer installation has not taken place prior to issuance of the certificate of occupancy, then a performance bond or other acceptable surety in an amount equal to 110 percent of the value of the buffer, as determined by the ~~building official~~ planning director, and its installation shall be posted with the building and zoning department. This performance bond or other acceptable surety shall remain in full effect until the required improvements are installed, inspected, and approved for release by the ~~zoning administrator~~ planning director or his designee.

**Section 2.** All ordinances in conflict with the terms and

provisions of this ordinance are hereby specifically repealed.

**Section 3.** A copy of this Ordinance shall be furnished to the Municipal Code Corporation for insertion in the Code of Ordinances for the City of Palatka, Florida.

**Section 4.** This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its final passage by the City Commission.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Commission of the City of Palatka on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2011.

**CITY OF PALATKA**

BY:   
Its MAYOR

**ATTEST:**

  
City Clerk