

Property Rights Element

Goals, Objectives and Policies

1. GOAL: COUNTY DECISIONS SHALL CONSIDER ALL RELEVANT INFORMATION INCLUDING THAT OF THE PROPERTY OWNER AND THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE.

1.1. Objective: Ensure private property rights are considered in local decision-making.

1.1.1. Policy: The following private property rights shall be considered:

- The right of a property owner to physically possess and control his or her interests in the property, including easements, leases, or mineral rights;
- The right of a property owner to use, maintain, develop, and improve his or her property for personal use or the use of any other person, subject to state law and local ordinances;
- The right of the property owner to privacy and to exclude others from the property to protect the owner's possessions and property; and
- The right of a property owner to dispose of his or her property through sale or gift.

1.2. Objective: Promote the public health, safety, comfort, good order, appearance, convenience and general welfare through the goals, objectives, policies, and strategies of the Pinellas County Comprehensive Plan.

1.2.1. Policy: The Pinellas County Comprehensive Plan will promote the orderly and balanced future economic, social, physical, environmental, and fiscal development of the area through the implementation of its defined goals, objectives, policies, and strategies to guide future decisions.