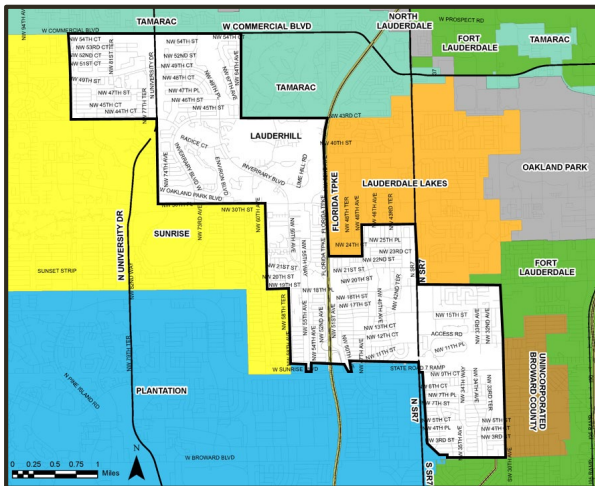




Food Pantry

City Commission Meeting
Item for Consideration



Current Regulations

▶ Schedule A. Land Use Classifications

- ▶ **FOOD DISTRIBUTION CENTER:** Any building or structure, or a portion thereof, of which the interior, or portion of the interior, is used to furnish meals to members of the public without cost or at a very low cost as a social service as defined herein, a food distribution center shall not be considered a restaurant.

▶ *1.17 Amortization period for food distribution uses within Community Facility Zoning District.*

- ▶ Any food distribution uses within Community Facility Zoning District lawfully in existence as of December 14, 2020 and which under the terms of the Land Development Regulations, Schedule H. would be a nonconforming use shall be allowed to continue until **December 14, 2025**. Thereafter, such use shall be prohibited. If a court of competent jurisdiction determines that the amortization period set forth in this section is invalid for any reason, and if the City Commission then revises this amortization period, then the commencement of the amortization period shall date back to the date of the passage of this legislation and shall be considered as a single amortization period.

Proposed Regulations

▶ Schedule A. Land Use Classifications

- ▶ **FOOD PANTRY:** Any building or structure, or a portion thereof, of which the interior, or portion of the interior, is used to offer non-perishable goods (canned foods, shelf-stable dry goods, etc.) and non-prepared perishable goods (meats, dairy, produce, etc.) to members of the public without cost or at a very low cost as a service to the public as defined herein, as an accessory use to a lawfully existing house of religious worship or non-profit organization.

▶ Article III - Section 5.1 Accessory structures and Uses

▶ 5.1.9. Food Pantry Standards

- ▶ A food pantry may be allowed as an accessory use to a lawfully existing house of religious worship or non-profit organization.
- ▶ The area designated as a food pantry, may not exceed 10% of the floor area of the principal use.
- ▶ Items for public consumption may not be displayed or stored outside of the building.
- ▶ The organization shall have a designated donation area, which shall be located at the rear of the store that is not visible from the public right-of-way.
- ▶ Adequate directional signage shall be provided from the main entrance of the establishment to direct individuals to the designated donation area. The donation area shall be noticed to prohibit depositing goods when the organization is closed.
- ▶ Donations left outside for more than 24 hours is considered outdoor storage and is strictly prohibited.