RESOLUTION NO. 19-R97

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A LANDSCAPE MODIFICATION PLAN IN LIEU OF ARCHITECTURAL WALL FOR SUNLIGHT COMMUNITY CHURCH (P19-150) WITHIN THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA ON THE REQUEST OF SUNLIGHT COMMUNITY CHURCH OF PORT ST. LUCIE, INC.; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida has been requested by the owner, Sunlight Community Church of Port St. Lucie, Inc. to approve and accept the landscape modification plan for Sunlight Community Church, within the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida to be exempt from providing the architectural wall required by section 154.03 of the City of Port St. Lucie Code; and

WHEREAS, section 154.03 requires a wall in a landscape buffer strip where commercial, industrial, institutional, office, or public facility uses abut property to the side or rear which is designated with a residential or open space land use, or which has a residential use such as an assisted living facility; and

WHEREAS, section 154.12 of the City of Port St. Lucie Code allows applicants to request landscaping in place of an architectural wall that is a required feature of a landscape buffer strip or request to be exempt from installing the landscape buffer strip requirement upon review by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, before making its decision on a request for a landscape modification, the City Council must hold a public hearing thereon and notice to the public must be provided; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public hearing on October 28, 2019, to consider the landscape modification request, notice of the public hearing having been made; and

WHEREAS, after review of the recommendations of the City staff, comments made at the public hearing, and careful consideration of the issues and evidence, the City Council finds that the proposed exemption to the wall requirement within the landscape buffer strip is consistent with the intent of section 154.12 of the City of Port St. Lucie Code and that the landscape modification plan attached as **Exhibit "A"**, is approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Ratification of Recitals. The foregoing recitals are hereby ratified and

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confirmed as true and correct and are hereby made a part of this Resolution.

Section 2. That the City Council hereby approves and accepts the landscape modification plan for a parcel of land lying in Section 30 and 31, Township 36 South, Range 40 East, St. Lucie County, Florida, being a portion of Parcel 3B, as shown on the plat of St. Lucie West Plat No. 36 – Acreage & Conservation tracts, as recorded in Plat Book 30, pages 1 and 1A-U, Public Records of St. Lucie County, Florida, as more particularly described in **Exhibit "B"** hereto, and as prepared by Greg Boggs ASLA, Registered Landscape Architect. The landscape plan is attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"**.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Conflict</u>. If any resolutions, or parts of resolutions, are in conflict herewith, this Resolution shall control to the extent of the conflicting provisions.

<u>Section 4</u>. <u>Severability</u>. The provisions of this Resolution are intended to be severable. If any part of this Resolution is determined to be void or is declared illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional by a Court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Resolution shall remain in full force and effect.

<u>Section 5.</u> <u>Effective Date</u>. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

	PASSED AND ADOP	TED by the City (Council of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida
this	day of	, 2019.	
			CITY COUNCIL CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE
			BY: Gregory J. Oravec, Mayor
ATTES	ST:		
Karen A	A. Phillips, City Clerk		APPROVED AS TO FORM:
			James D. Stokes City Attorney