



# ARTICLE VI

## Sustainability

*This article is **NEW**.*



# INTENT

There is no language in the current City Charter that references sustaining the city's environment, historic footprint, or overall quality of life.

The Preamble expresses citizen aspirations for the City of New Smyrna Beach. Article VI outlines policies that reference some of the Preamble language in respect to environmental stewardship, proactive historical preservation, land development standards that enhance and preserve existing neighborhoods, and limitations on the sale and lease of public land.



# Section Descriptions

- Section 6.01 addresses the urgency to strengthen city standards in respect to air quality, water quality, and flooding.
  - a) maintains a heavy tree canopy
  - b) raises the standards for storm water quality runoff
  - c) raises standards for storm water volume and rate of discharge
  - d) improves floodplain management using best practices standards to mitigate flooding
  - e) limits the use of impervious materials.
  - f) references the need to develop new policies for the removal of existing septic tanks.

# Section Descriptions

- Section 6.02 pertains to land development and zoning.
  - a) preserves the scale and character of existing neighborhoods.
  - b) preserves the city's green areas, tree canopy and historic footprint.
  - c) ensures that a parcel zoned for a development will be sustainable in terms of public health, safety and welfare
  
- Section 6.03 commits the city to new historic preservation measures.
  - a) updates regulations pertaining to historic properties.
  - b) creates and expands historic districts
  - c) encourages historic restoration using tax incentives
  - d) assists property owners in obtaining grants for historic preservation
  
- Section 6.04 places restrictions on the sale of public land and on leases in excess of 10 years contiguous with named bodies of water.



# Additions & Deletions

The entirety of Article VI is a new section of the revised  
Charter

