

Steps for Expedited State Review of Local Government Comprehensive Plan Amendments  
 (taken from Florida Statute 163.3184) [Credit: Gainesville Neighborhood Voices]

	Step	Days Allowed by Statute	Date of Action
1	City advertises a public hearing minimum 10 days in advance.	Min 10	
2	<p>First public hearing and vote to transmit proposed comprehensive plan amendments. City must transmit proposed amendments within ten working (10) days to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO);</li> <li>2. The appropriate regional planning council;</li> <li>3. The appropriate water management district;</li> <li>4. The Department of Environmental Protection;</li> <li>5. The Department of State;</li> <li>6. The Department of Transportation;</li> <li>7. The Department of Education;</li> <li>8. The county in which the municipality is located.</li> </ol>	Max 10	
3	City and DEO receive agency comments.	Max 30 after receipt of transmittal	
4	The City shall review comments submitted to it by the DEO and other agencies. The City advertises 2 <sup>nd</sup> public hearing a minimum of 10 days in advance. Second public hearing and vote to adopt comprehensive plan amendments.	Max 180 days	
5	Amendments adopted by the City, along with supporting data and analysis, shall be transmitted to DEO and any other agency or local government that provided timely comments.	Max 10	
6	DEO shall notify the local government of any deficiencies and determine completeness.	Max 5	

7	Affected persons or DEO may file a petition with the Division of Administrative Hearings, with a copy served on the City, to request a formal hearing to challenge whether the plan or plan amendments are in compliance.	Max 30	
8	Administrative Hearing Process	No statutory limit	
9	An amendment does not become effective until DEO or the Administration Commission enters a final order determining the adopted amendment to be in compliance.		