Florida Housing Coalition



Green Design and Construction

Creating Value by Going Green

You must be the change you wish to see in the world. - Ghandi

Housekeeping



Panel Intro....







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Presentation Outline

 Benefits of Building Green Land Planning Multi Family • Design Basics Small Lot Single Family Systems Built Housing • Conclusions....

Design and Aesthetics

For a house or any building to be sustainable:

• people must <u>want</u> to inhabit it.

it must appeal to the psyche.

 it must be adaptable to people's personalities.

Case Study East Tampa CRA

- Three bedroom/two bath single family home designed for east Tampa area.
- Sq footage A/C floor: 1302.4 sf Garage: 235.4 sf <u>Porch:</u> 124.4 sf

Total: 1662.2 sf



City of Tampa Concept

proposed "green" concept





Suggested Plan Changes

 increases usable square footage by 111 sq ft without increasing actual square footage

 expanding 2nd bedroom increases occupancy of house by one without the effects of 'crowding'

move washer and dryer to non-air conditioned garage for more sustainable energy usage

 locating windows on two walls in a room and including ceiling fans helps increase natural ventilation

 increasing number of windows creates more day lighting

consolidates plumbing



Suggested Plan Changes

 relocating kitchen makes living area larger, increasing the usability of the space

 relocating back door away from children's rooms creates safer environment (either real or perceived)

 relocating storage to side of house saves on formwork materials and labor costs

reduces overall material usage and decreases labor costs

 unfinished garage saves on materials and allows homeowner to organize overhead storage to their preference

concrete lattice driveway reduces runoff, heat gain, and materials



Benefits of Plan Changes

- Reduces material usage (cost)
- uses approximately 8 linear feet less cabinetry for kitchen and eliminates cabinetry in bathrooms
- uses 6 sq ft less counter space in kitchen
- uses 381 sq ft less of ¹/₂" gypsum on the interior and 660 sq ft less of ¹/₂" gypsum in the garage
- uses 152 linear ft less of 2"x4" stud for interior walls
- 1 less interior swing door
- concrete pour for walkway and driveway replaced by lattice work and stepping stones
- Increases size of spaces and overall usable square footage without increasing costs or actual square footage.
- Larger gathering area for family and larger bedrooms allow for a higher occupancy without the effect of 'crowding.'

Sustainable Benefits

- Reduces amount of materials required for construction while maintaining square footage.
- Reduces energy required to operate home.
- Reduces heat gain in front yard and roof and reduces runoff.
- Increases safety, usability, and adaptability of home → elongates life of structure

'Green' Components

In analyzing and subjecting this project to environmental alternatives, the key factors are:

- system description
- environmental benefits
- financial consideration

Conclusion

By making simple, logical substitutions this will be a cost effective energy and resource efficient home.

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Tax Incentives & Rebates

Database of State Incentives for Renewables & Efficiency

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State by State Programs in Place and Dollars Available... Just click on Your State...



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Land Planning

- Smaller lots = less land cost
- Smaller lots = less sprawl
- Smaller lots = less yard maintenance
- Smaller lots = smaller home
- Smaller home = less upkeep
- Less upkeep = more quality time
- More quality time =....okay...you know where this is headed....

Clustering Promotes Green

- Clustered development preserves open space
- Clustering uses less land
- Minimizes impervious surfaces
- Allows for connection of wildlife habitat
- Makes central water/sewer feasible
- Deflects growth away from environmentally sensitive areas

Density Reduces Sprawl

urban, urban fringe, suburban, and rural infill...

look at "overlooked" areas for small development projects



Land Planning



preserve natural areas & create community spaces

If you don't build here, moo will...meet moo.



Seek out overlooked opportunities...start small, with 2-6 unit buildings...





43 Units on 1.6 ac 27 du/ac







Multi Family: The Car





SECOND LEVEL

Must deal with the cars.. 20 du / ac



Multi Family: Flat Over Flat

- Attached Housing
 12 U Creates Front
 Courtyard units
 All Flats
- Direct Access Garages
 Staggered Bldg Plan
 Adequate guest
 parking

Multi Family: Flat Over Flat



12 unit building with single family character...

Preserve existing landscaping...



Foreclosed McMansions



Put them to good use... house four families...instead of one...

Design Basics

Build Smaller & Smarter:

we don't buy cars by the pound...so why should we buy homes by the square footage?

Integrated Design Process

- Start Early
- Establish Clear & Common Goals
- Include All Players
- No Single Decision Maker
- Be Innovative
- Continue Concept Through All Phases
- Develop Ongoing Cost Estimates
- Develop Communication & Feedback Loop

Design Basics: Economize

Smaller Lots

Smaller Homes

• Smaller Prices



Design Basics

- Be Flexible...Double Duty Rooms
- Add Extra Height & Fill the Entire Volume
- Reduce Circulation Paths
- Built in Furniture
- Remove Formal Spaces
- Use Bedrooms for Sleep
- Provide Ample Storage
- Add Focal Points



Take Advantage of Unused Space



Daylight, High Glass, Light Colors



Use of Light Colors And Daylight Maximizes Scale



Lessons From Grandma's House



Think Inside the Box



Narrow front = smaller canvas to detail accurately

Simple but deliberate details



Façade Color

one plan multiple colors

