125.216d Discretionary decisions; requirements, standards, and conditions.

Sec. 16d. (1) If a county zoning ordinance authorizes the consideration and approval of special land uses or planned unit developments pursuant to section 16b or 16c, or otherwise provides for discretionary decisions, the regulations and standards upon which those decisions are made shall be specified in the ordinance. The standards shall be consistent with, and promote the intent and purpose of the zoning ordinance, and insure that the land use or activity authorized shall be compatible with adjacent uses of land, the natural environment, and the capacities of public services and facilities affected by the land use. The standards shall also insure that the land use or activity is consistent with the public health, safety, and welfare of the county. A request for approval of a land use or activity which is in compliance with the standards stated in the zoning ordinance and the conditions imposed thereunder, other applicable ordinances, and state and federal statutes shall be approved.

(2) Reasonable conditions may be required in conjunction with the approval of a special land use, planned unit development, or other land uses or activities permitted by discretionary decision. The conditions may include conditions necessary to insure that public services and facilities affected by a proposed land use or activity will be capable of accommodating increased service and facility loads caused by the land use or activity, to protect the natural environment and conserve natural resources and energy, to insure compatibility with adjacent uses of land, and to promote the use of land in a socially and economically desirable manner. Conditions imposed shall meet the following requirements:

(a) Be designed to protect natural resources, the health, safety, and welfare, as well as the social and economic well-being of those who will use the land use or activity under consideration, residents, and landowners immediately adjacent to the proposed land use or activity, and the community as a whole.

(b) Be related to the valid exercise of the police power, and to the proposed use or activity.

(c) Be necessary to meet the intent and purpose of the zoning requirements; be related to the standards established in the ordinance for the land use or activity under consideration; and be necessary to insure compliance with those standards.

(3) The conditions imposed with respect to the approval of a land use or activity shall be recorded in the record of the approval action, and shall remain unchanged except upon the mutual consent of the approving official or body and the owner of the land affected. The approving official or body shall maintain a record of conditions which are changed.