



MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM #7c

DATE: JUNE 7, 2010

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: CITY OF MIAMI ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT
DCA #10-RWSP1

Community Profile

Miami, the second most populous city in the state, had a population of 417,451 in 2009, 15.2 percent increase from the year 2000 population. The City was incorporated in 1896. Its economic bases are in tourism and international commerce with Latin America, the Caribbean and Europe. The City boasts an ethnically diverse population and serves as a major port of entry for immigration from foreign countries. Considered to be fully developed, the City nevertheless has approximately 1,000 acres (approximately 1.6 square miles) of vacant land scattered throughout the City on small parcels. In addition, much of the developed land is designated for land use densities greater than the existing development. With its location at the heart of the metropolitan area, and its access to mass transit, Miami is an ideal location for infill and redevelopment. The general location of the City is shown in Attachment 1.

Amendment Review

The South Florida Regional Planning Council (SFRPC) review of proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments for consistency with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida (SRPP)* primarily addresses effects on regional resources or facilities identified in the *SRPP* and extra jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan of the affected local government (§163.3184(5), Fla. Stat.). The Council's review of amendments is conducted in two stages: (1) proposed or transmittal and (2) adoption. Council staff reviews the contents of the amendment package once the Department of Community Affairs certifies its completeness.

Objections and Comments relate to specific inconsistencies with relevant portions of the *SRPP*, which was adopted pursuant to Rule 29J-2.009, Fla. Administrative Code. Council staff will work with local governments to address Objections and Comments identified during the review of a proposed amendment between the transmittal and the adoption of the amendment.

The SFRPC did not prepare the amendment package and, therefore, is not precluded from commenting on the proposed Plan or Element pursuant to Section 163.3184(5), Florida Statutes (F.S.), or Rule 9J-11.0084, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.); or commenting on the adopted amendment pursuant to Section 163.32465(4)(b), F.S.

The Florida Department of Community Affairs (DCA) notified SFRPC that the amendment package was complete on May 28, 2010.

The amendment review must be transmitted to DCA on (if applicable): Notice of Intent scheduled for July 9, 2010.

The amendment review will be transmitted to DCA on June 11, 2010.

Staff Analysis

Adopted amendment package #10-RWSP1 contains water supply planning related amendments to the City of Miami Comprehensive Neighborhood Plan. The proposed amendments were reviewed at the January 4, 2010 Council meeting and found to be generally consistent with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida (SRPP)*.

Water Supply Planning

The text amendments in this adopted package have been transmitted pursuant to 2005 Growth Management Legislation. Chapter 163.3177(6)(c), F.S., requires local governments to adopt a Water Supply Facilities Work Plan (Work Plan) into their Comprehensive Plan within 18 months after the jurisdictional Water Management District approves a Regional Water Supply Plan or its update. The *Lower East Coast Water Supply Plan (LECWSP) Update* was approved by the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) on February 15, 2007. Therefore, the deadline for local governments within the Lower East Coast jurisdiction to adopt a Work Plan was August 15, 2008.

The Work Plan is intended for local governments to identify and plan for water supply facilities and sources needed for existing and new development or population. The emphasis on the preparation of the Work Plan is to coordinate local comprehensive planning with the Regional Water Supply Plan, as well as promote coordination among local governments, the SFWMD, and water supply utilities within and across local government jurisdictions. The Work Plan should address the following, related to water supply planning: regional and local issues; current and projected population, water supply, and demand; Level of Service (LOS) standards; conservation and reuse; alternative water supplies (AWS); and capital improvement updates for implementation.

The Goals, Objectives, and Policies (GOPs) of a local government's Comprehensive Plan are required to reflect adoption and content of the Work Plan. The Infrastructure, Capital Improvements, Intergovernmental Coordination, Conservation, and Future Land Use Elements may need to be revised for consistency with water supply planning.

City of Miami Water Supply Facilities Work Plan (Work Plan)

Residents of the City of Miami obtain their potable water directly from the Miami-Dade County Water and Sewer Department (MDWASD). Under this arrangement, the City coordinates with MDWASD to ensure that enough capacity is available for existing and future customers and that supporting infrastructure is planned to meet future demand. As a retail buyer from MDWASD, the City's Work Plan references the Miami-Dade County 20-Year Work Plan, found in compliance July 18, 2008 by the Florida Department of Community Affairs (DCA).

The City of Miami is served by the Alexander Orr, Jr. sub-area and Hialeah-Preston sub-area Water Treatment Plants. The Alexander Orr, Jr. sub-area has a total designated capacity of approximately 308 million gallons of water per day (MGD); and the Hialeah-Preston sub-area has a designated capacity of about 295 MGD. The City of Miami retail customers account for approximately 17 percent of the MDWASD potable water service area. Several conservation strategies, water use efficiencies and AWS projects are planned throughout Miami-Dade County to meet projected future demands. Floridan Aquifer blending, reverse osmosis water treatment plants and groundwater recharge processes are planned from 2007-2028.

Adopted amendment package #10-RWSP1 was adopted with revisions based on the February 29, 2010 Objections, Recommendations and Comments (ORC) report, issued by DCA. In response, the City outlined specific mechanisms for coordination of water supply planning in the Intergovernmental Coordination and Potable Water Element; incorporated concurrency measures for water in the Capital Improvements Element; and revised Policies in the Natural Resource Conservation Element to provide mechanisms for water conservation. The Work Plan was amended using current data for population projections and water demand.

The City of Miami unanimously approved the transmittal of the adopted amendments at its April 22, 2010 meeting.

Impact Analysis

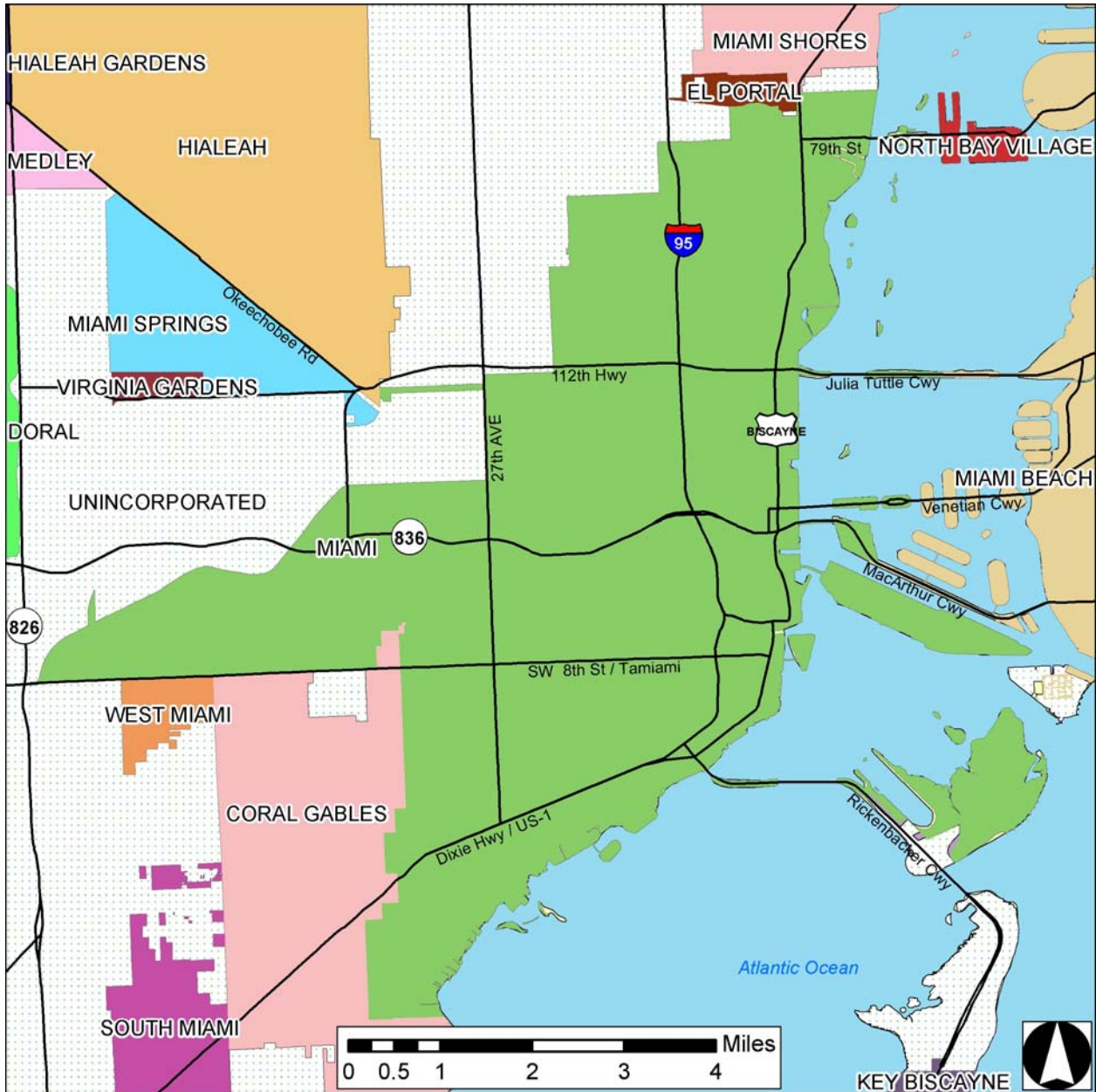
Staff analysis confirms the City of Miami adopted amendment package #10-RWSP1 would not result in compatibility, extra-jurisdictional, or affordable housing issues; or impact significant regional resources and facilities, natural resources, transportation systems, emergency preparedness plans and local mitigation strategies.

Since a detailed impact analysis is not applicable to the review of the adopted amendment, the related analysis sections found in the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) Amendment Review Form C-7 (Sections 9 through 18) have not been included in this staff report.

Recommendation of Consistency with Strategic Regional Policy Plan (SRPP)

Find City of Miami adopted amendment package #10-RWSP1 generally consistent with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida*. Approve this agenda item for transmittal to the Florida Department of Community Affairs.

Attachment 1



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

Location Map

City of Miami
Adopted Amendment #10-RWSP1

Sources: Miami-Dade County, SFRPC.

Note: For planning purposes only. All distances are approximate.