

# **MEMORANDUM**

**AGENDA ITEM #7c** 

DATE: APRIL 6, 2009

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: CITY OF OAKLAND PARK ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

#### Introduction

On February 23, 2009, Council staff received adopted plan amendment #09-RWSP1 (previously #08-RWSP1) to the City of Oakland Park Comprehensive Plan for review of consistency with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida (SRPP)*. The proposed amendment was reviewed at the August 4, 2008 Council meeting and found to be generally consistent with the *SRPP*. Staff review is undertaken pursuant to the Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development Regulation Act, Chapter 163, Part II, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Rules 9J-5 and 9J-11, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.).

#### Community Profile

The City of Oakland Park was formally incorporated in 1925 under the name of "Floranada". In 1929 the City name was changed to Oakland Park. The City occupies approximately 6.7 square miles in the center of Broward County, and is bounded by Commercial Boulevard on the north, Oakland Park Boulevard on the south, U.S. 1 on the east, and on the west by N.W. 31st Avenue. Oakland Park abuts the Cities of Fort Lauderdale, Pompano Beach, Lauderdale Lakes, Wilton Manors, and unincorporated Broward County. The population of the City in 2008 was estimated to be 42,241, a 36.4 percent increase over the 2000 population due to several annexations in 2005. The City is currently experiencing redevelopment in its downtown area. This effort will be helped by the recent creation of a Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), which contains a Local Activity Center (LAC). The LAC is intended to provide land use designations that will encourage mixed-use developments, parks, and a pedestrian-safe environment within the downtown area. The general location of the City is shown in Attachment 1.

#### Water Supply Planning

The text amendments in this adopted package have been transmitted pursuant to 2005 Growth Management legislation. Chapter 163.3177(6)(c) of the Florida Statutes 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 supply (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 Oakland Park Work Plan

The City of Oakland Parks provides potable water service to 30,000 residents within City boundaries by purchasing wholesale treated water from the City of Fort Lauderdale. The remaining 13,000 residents receive water directly from outside suppliers, the City of Fort Lauderdale and Broward County. Oakland Park is responsible for only the transmission and distribution water system for the Oakland Park Service Area, while Fort Lauderdale and Broward County are responsible for the planning, construction, and operation of water facilities serving the remainder of the City. Since the City relies on its suppliers to meet a projected potable water demand of 8.84 million gallons per day (MGD) by 2030, the City's Work Plan details the projected population and demands, water facilities, conservation, reuse, and AWS projects of its suppliers. Included in the Oakland Park Work Plan are Fort Lauderdale and Broward County's Work Plans and the updated wholesale agreement to purchase water from Fort Lauderdale.

# Summary of Staff Analysis

Adopted amendment package #09-RWSP1 was adopted as proposed with revisions based on the September 5, 2008 Objections, Recommendations, and Comments (ORC) Report issued by the Department of Community Affairs (DCA). In response, the City revised policies in the Infrastructure and Intergovernmental Coordination Element that now require City participation at an annual meeting with appropriate water supply providers and agencies to collaborate on planning issues. Policy 4.12.8 of the Infrastructure Element has been modified to include implementation strategies for reducing losses in the water system. In addition, revisions were made to Table 12, Water Supply Facilities Work Plan Projects and Programs, of the Capital Improvements Element for consistency with identified Fort Lauderdale and Broward County projects that relate to the City's water supply.

Staff analysis confirms that the adopted amendments are generally compatible with and supportive of the Goals and Policies *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida*.

The City of Oakland Park Commission unanimously approved the transmittal of the adopted amendment at its February 18, 2009 meeting.

## Recommendation

Find City of Oakland Park adopted amendment #09-RWSP1 generally consistent with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida* (*SRPP*). Approve this staff report for transmittal to the Florida Department of Community Affairs.

# Attachment 1



