



# MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM #7d

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DATE: APRIL 6, 2009

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: CITY OF COOPER CITY ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

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## Introduction

On February 23, 2009, Council staff received adopted plan amendment #09-RWSP1 (previously #08-RWSP1) to the City of Cooper City Comprehensive Plan for review of consistency with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida (SRPP)*. The proposed amendment #08-RWSP1 was reviewed at the November 3, 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 Cooper City was incorporated in 1959. The City is located in southwestern Broward County, with the Town of Davie to the north and east, City of Pembroke Pines to the south, and Town of Southwest Ranches to the west. Cooper City had a population of 27,939 according to the 2000 Census, and was estimated to have 30,074 residents in 2008, a growth of 7.6 percent since 2000. The City has an area of approximately 8.5 square miles, including a recent annexation of approximately 165 acres. According to the City's 2005 Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR), single-family homes account for around 50 percent of the existing development in the City. Commercial and Industrial uses only comprise 5 percent of the developed land and the available supply of vacant land was 673 acres, or approximately 12 percent of City land. 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 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 Cooper City Work Plan

The Water Supply Facilities Work Plan Sub-Element serves as the City's required Work Plan. Cooper City operates water and wastewater utilities through its Utilities Department, providing potable water to its residents and very small sections of the Towns of Davie and Southwest Ranches. The City Work Plan provides data and analysis on current and projected water supply and demand through 2018, varying LOS standards for potable water service areas, the City's Consumptive Use Permit (CUP), facilities, capacity, conservation and reuse programs, and capital improvement plans.

#### Summary of Staff Analysis

Adopted amendment package #09-RWSP1 was submitted with revisions based on the December 2, 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 Elements to provide for coordination with adjacent local governments and water supply providers in addition to the SFWMD. The City also addressed an internal inconsistency issue relating to new population projections that were used for water supply planning by updating the analyses of demand projections for all public facilities and services affected by population projections throughout the Comprehensive Plan.

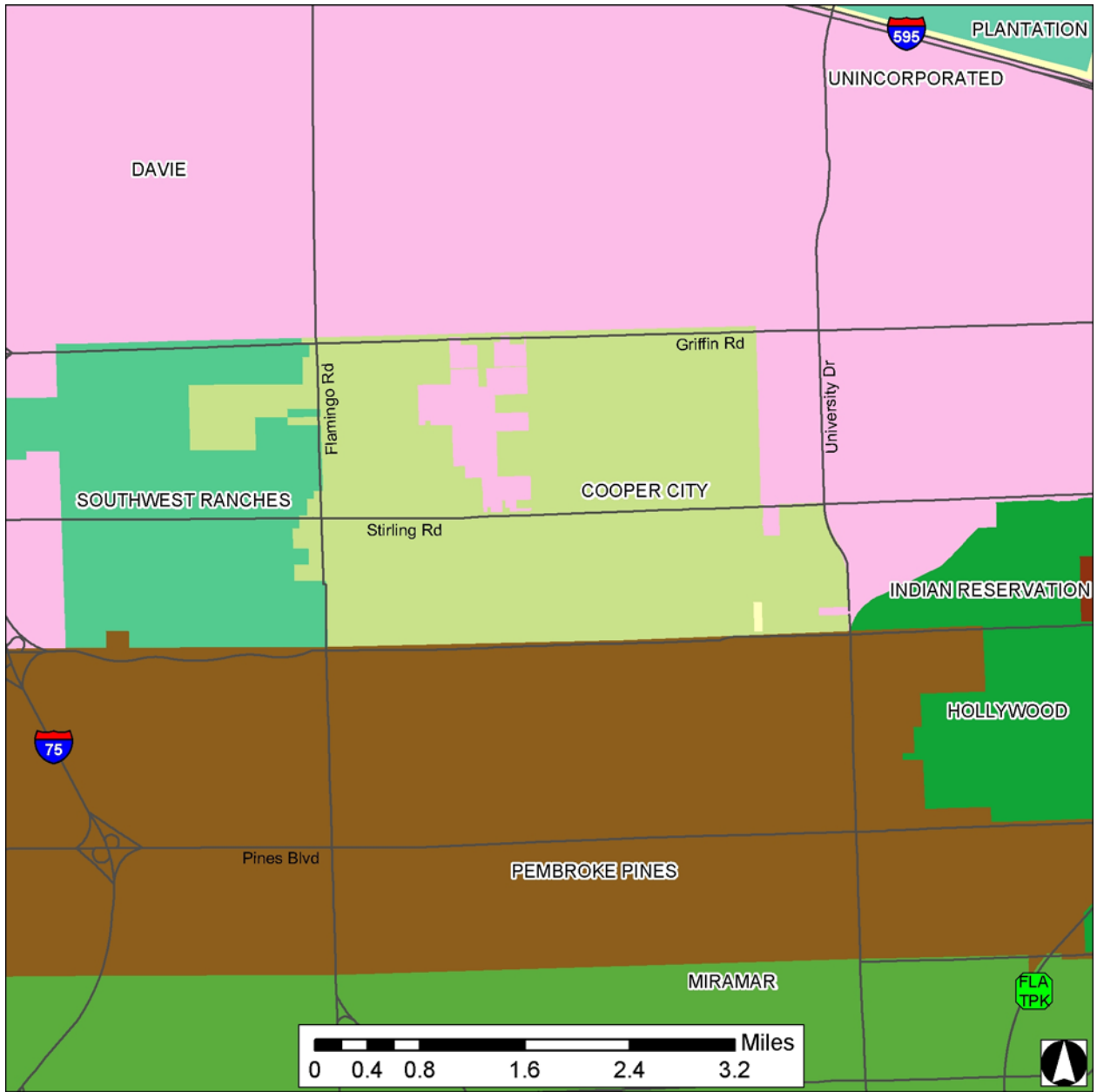
Staff analysis confirms that the adopted amendments are generally consistent with and supportive of the Goals and Policies of the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida*.

The City of Cooper City Commission unanimously approved the transmittal of the adopted amendment at its February 10, 2009 meeting.

#### Recommendation

Find City of Cooper City 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



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

Location Map

City of Cooper City  
Adopted Amendment #09-RWSP1

Sources: FDEP, SFWMD, Broward County, SFRPC.  
Note: For planning purposes only. All distances are approximate.