



MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM #5b

DATE: AUGUST 4, 2008

TO: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: CITY OF TAMARAC ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

Introduction

On July 3, 2008 Council staff received adopted amendment #08-1ER to the City of Tamarac Comprehensive Plan for review of consistency with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida (SRPP)*. Proposed Amendment #08-1ER was reviewed at the January 7, 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

Located in west central Broward County, the City of Tamarac was incorporated in 1968. In 2007, the City had a population of 59,949 and a land area of 12 square miles, giving the City a population density of 4,938 people per square mile. Since the 2000 Census, the City's population has grown by 7.8%. The projected population at build-out is around 60,000 people. Tamarac is primarily a suburban community developed around leisure activities, including nine golf courses and the King's Point Performing Arts Theater.

Additional information regarding the City or the Region may be found on the Council's website, www.sfrpc.com.

Summary of Staff Analysis

Adopted amendment package #08-1ER contains the Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR)-based text amendments to the City of Tamarac Comprehensive Plan as recommended by the City's EAR, which was found sufficient on June 23, 2006 by the Florida Department of Community Affairs (DCA). There are no changes in land use adopted in this amendment package. The general location of the City is exhibited as Attachment 1.

A summary analysis of the adopted amendment package follows.

Summary of Staff Analysis

Adopted Amendment package #08-1ER was submitted minor revisions based on the January 18, 2008 Objections, Recommendations, and Comments (ORC) Report issued by DCA. Policies were added and data, inventory, and analysis updated to the Future Land Use (FLUE) and Housing Elements to identify, monitor, and protect the City's natural and historic resources. The Intergovernmental Coordination Element (ICE) was revised to ensure requirements are met for school concurrency and for improved coordination of transportation concurrency. The Capital Improvements Element (CIE) was revised to include the current Transportation Improvements Scheduled.

Comment

Chapter 163.3177(6)(c), F.S., requires local governments to adopt a Water Supply Facilities Work Plan into their comprehensive plans 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. The deadline for local governments within the Lower East Coast jurisdiction to adopt a Work Plan is August 15, 2008. The Work Plan and associated text amendments, which may include revisions to the FLUE, Infrastructure, Conservation, ICE, and CIE, is exempt from the twice-per calendar year amendment cycle. The SFRPC is aware that local governments are faced with a short timeframe to adopt a well-documented Work Plan. Council staff has been in contact with the City and continues to emphasize that we are available to assist them through the coordination and adoption process of the Work Plan and its associated amendments.

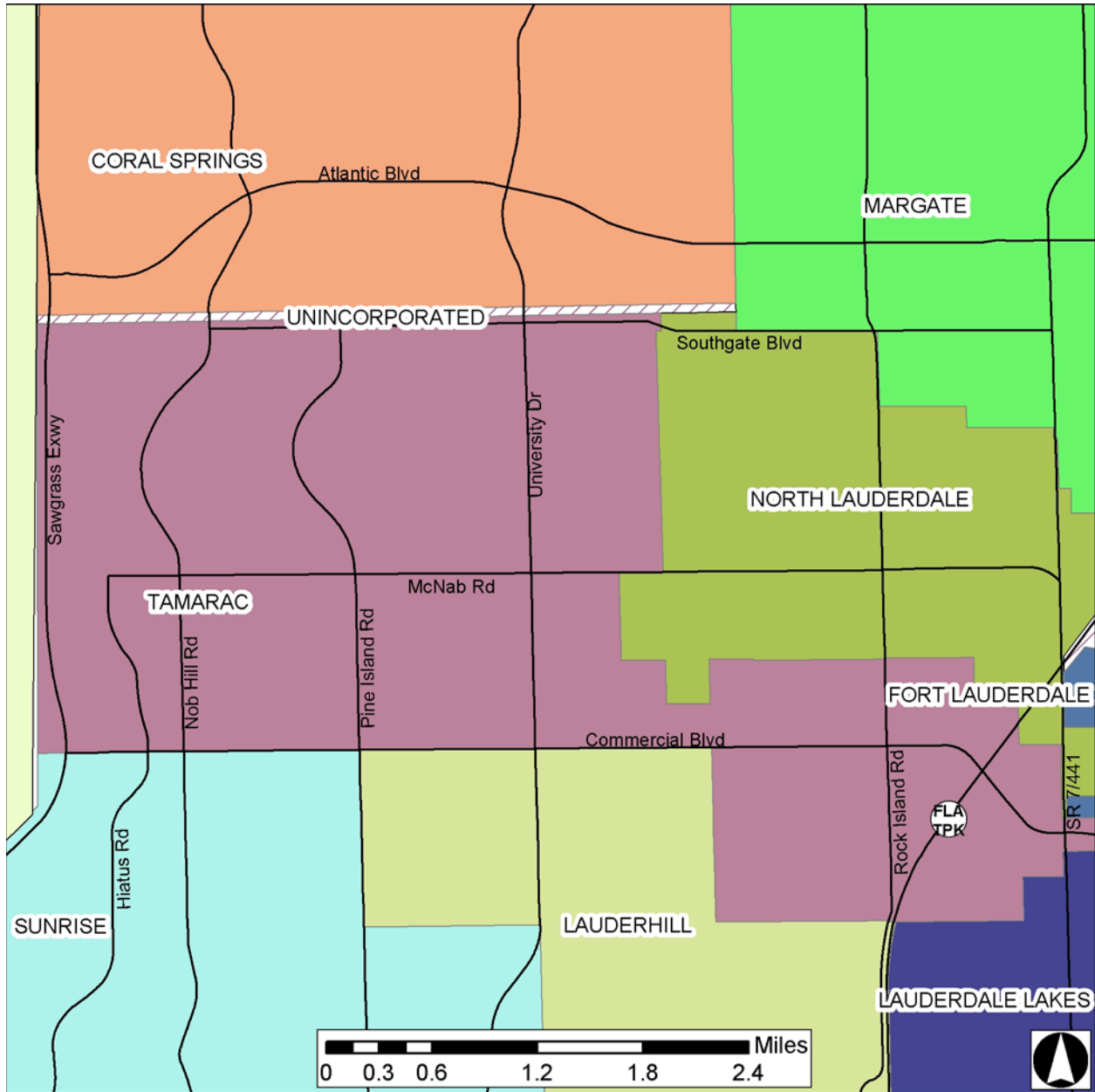
Staff analysis confirms that adopted amendment package #08-1ER to the City of Tamarac is generally consistent with and supportive of the goals and policies *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida*.

The City of Tamarac Commission approved the transmittal of the adopted amendments by a unanimous vote (5-0) on June 11, 2008.

Recommendation

Find City of Tamarac adopted amendment package #08-1ER generally consistent with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida*. Approve this staff report for transmittal to the Florida Department of Community Affairs.

Attachment 1



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

Location Map

City of Tamarac
Adopted Amendment #08-1ER

Sources: FDEP, SFWMD, Broward County, SFRPC.

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