

# MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM #7d

DATE:	FEBRUARY 1, 2010
TO:	COUNCIL MEMBERS
FROM:	STAFF
SUBJECT:	TOWN OF SURFSIDE ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

## Introduction

On January 22, 2010, Council staff received adopted amendment #09-1ER to the Town of Surfside Comprehensive Plan for review of consistency with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida* (*SRPP*). The proposed amendment was reviewed at the October 5, 2009 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 Town of Surfside is a small community covering approximately 365 acres along the northeastern coastline of Miami-Dade County directly south of Bal Harbour Village, west of Bay Harbor Islands and Indian Creek Village, and north of Miami Beach. The Town was incorporated in 1935, and is estimated to have 5,789 residents in 2008, which approximately represents a 19 percent increase over the 2000 estimate. The Town is characterized by a majority of residential uses on its western borders while the coastal development is a mix of commercial, residential and recreational uses. A map depicting the general location of the Town is included in Attachment 1.

### Summary of Staff Analysis

Adopted amendment #09-1ER contains the Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR)-based text amendments to the Town's Comprehensive Plan. The Town's EAR was found sufficient on July 29, 2008, by the Florida Department of Community Affairs (DCA).

The amendment package was adopted as proposed with several revisions based on the November 20, 2009 Objections, Recommendations, and Comments (ORC) Report, issued by DCA. In addition to several corrections to references and updated information, the key adopted revisions are summarized below:

• The ten year planning timeframe was adjusted from 2019 to a 2030 long-term planning horizon. The long-term planning period has been redefined in the Future Land Use Element and the population projections have been adjusted accordingly. Data, maps, and references have been adjusted within the Housing, Infrastructure, Recreation and Open Space, and Capital Improvements Elements to maintain consistent projections and planning horizons;

- The clearance time for hurricane evacuations has been clarified within the Coastal Management Element;
- The Capital Improvement Element was amended to incorporate the Miami-Dade Public School Facilities Work Program, dated September 9, 2009;
- The capital improvements identified in the Miami-Dade Water Supply Facilities Work Plan have been adopted by reference to the Town's Plan; and
- The Town retained the existing Level of Service Standard for collector roadways within the Capital Improvement Element.

The Town of Surfside Council unanimously approved (5-0) the adopted amendments at its January 12, 2010 meeting.

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

### Recommendation

Find Town of Surfside adopted amendment package #09-1ER generally consistent with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida*. Approve this staff report for transmittal to the Florida Department of Community Affairs.

