



MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM #5c

DATE: JULY 6, 2009

TO: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: CITY OF CORAL SPRINGS ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT
(ALTERNATIVE REVIEW)

Introduction

On June 1, 2009, Council staff received adopted amendment #09-1AR to the City of Coral Springs Comprehensive Plan for review of consistency with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida (SRPP)*. The proposed amendment was reviewed at the April 6, 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 City of Coral Springs, created by a Special Act of the Florida Legislature in 1963, is located in northwestern Broward County. Currently it occupies approximately 24.8 square miles of land area with a density of 5,115 people per square mile. It is bounded on the north by the City of Parkland and the Sawgrass Expressway; on the east by the Cities of Margate and Coconut Creek; on the south by the Cities of North Lauderdale and Tamarac and the Pompano Canal; and on the west by the Sawgrass Expressway. The population of Coral Springs was estimated to be 128,930 for the year 2008, an increase of 9.7 percent from the 2000 population. Coral Springs is at substantial, residential build-out; seventy-five (75) percent of the City's commercial acreage is currently developed. In 2007, the City of Coral Springs was the first state or local government in the nation to receive the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, a Presidential honor that recognizes U.S. companies for organizational performance excellence. A general location of the City is shown in Attachment 1.

Summary of Staff Analysis

Adopted amendment package #09-1AR amends the Recreation and Open Space Element and updates the Comprehensive Plan Map Series.

The amendment package is being processed and reviewed under the Alternative State Review (AR) Process Pilot Program. Pursuant the AR process, staff comments were submitted to the City prior to July 1, 2009.

The adopted amendments to the Recreation and Open Space Element serve as a comprehensive update to its Goals, Objectives, and Policies (GOPs), and Data, Inventory, and Analysis. The changes encourage the appropriate use of land, water, and other resources, consistent with the public interest.

In addition, the Recreation and Open Space Map (9-1) of the City's Comprehensive Plan Map Series now reflects the current recreation and open space system.

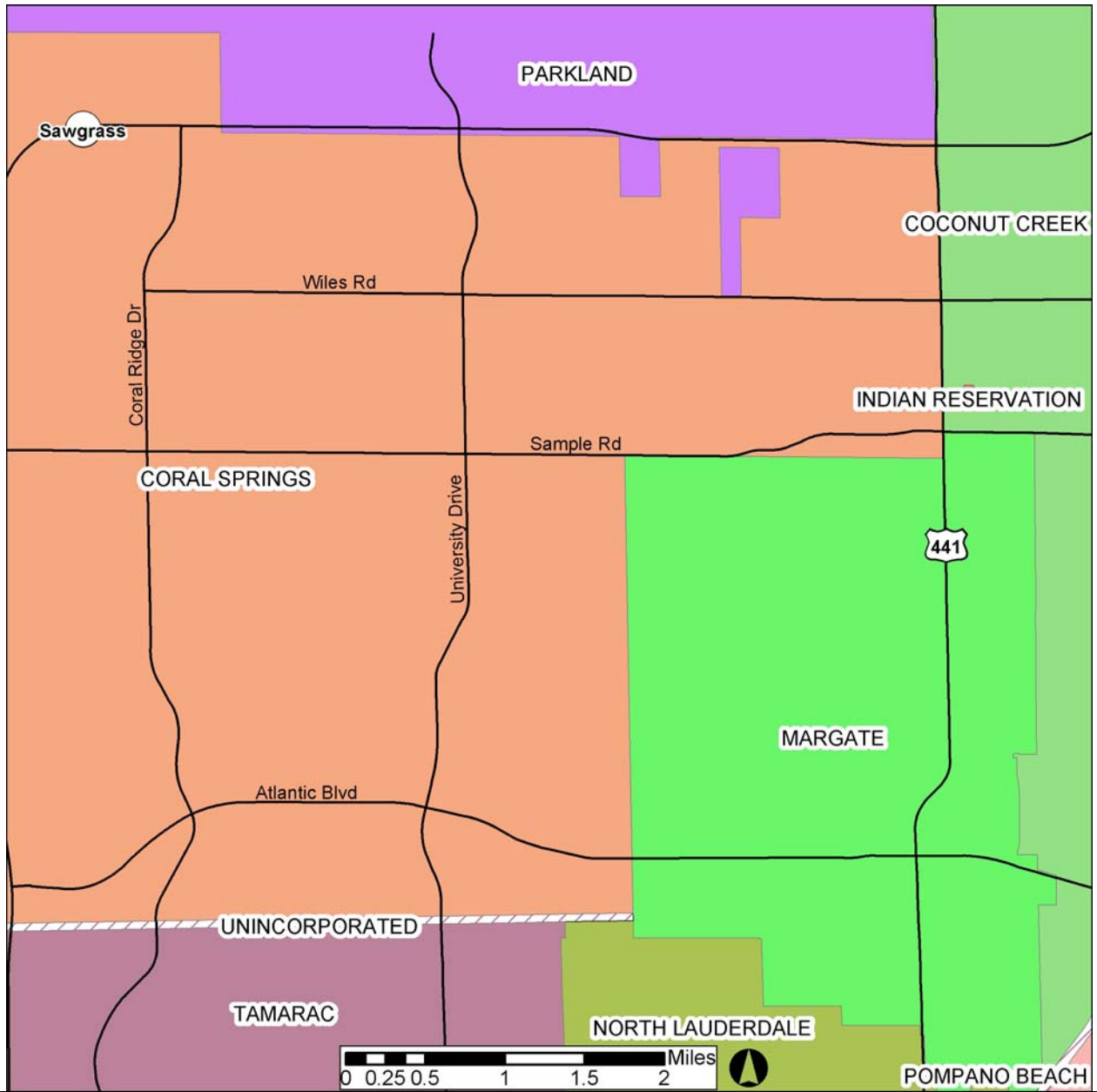
The adopted amendment package was adopted as proposed, and objections were not raised by review agencies prior to adoption. The City of Coral Springs Commission unanimously (5-0) approved the transmittal of the adopted amendment at its May 19, 2009 meeting.

Staff analysis confirms the adopted amendments to the Recreation and Open Space Element and Map Series update are compatible with and supportive of the Goals and Policies of the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida*.

Recommendation

Find the City of Coral Springs adopted amendment #09-1AR generally consistent with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida*. Approve this agenda item for transmittal to the City, with copies to the Florida Department of Community Affairs.

Attachment 1



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

Location Map

City of Coral Springs
Adopted Amendment #09-1AR

Sources: Broward County, SFRPC.

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