

MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM #7d

DATE:

IULY 7, 2008

TO:

COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM:

STAFF

SUBIECT:

CITY OF CORAL SPRINGS ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

Introduction

On June 26, 2008 Council staff received adopted amendment #08-2ER to the City of Coral Springs Comprehensive Plan for review of consistency with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida* (*SRPP*). Proposed Amendment #08-2ER was reviewed at the April 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

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 129,766 for the year 2007, an increase of 10.4 percent from the 2000 population. Coral Springs is a planned city. The City 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.

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 #08-2ER contains the Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR)-based text amendments to the City of Coral Springs Comprehensive Plan as recommended by the City's EAR, which was found sufficient on April 16, 2007 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.

Summary of Staff Analysis

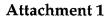
Adopted Amendment package #08-2ER was submitted with minor revisions based on the May 2, 2008 Objections, Recommendations, and Comments (ORC) Report issued by DCA. In response, the City revised Policy 1.1.3, 1.1.18, 2.2.1, and added Policy 1.1.24, 5.1.12, and 5.1.17 of the Transportation Element and corresponding data and analysis to establish short and long-term planning timeframes, improve coordination for transportation concurrency, transit oriented development, interagency review, and adopt statewide minimum Level of Service Standards. Revisions to the Future Land Use Element and corresponding data and analysis established short and long-term planning timeframes, density and intensity standards for non-residential and Local Activity Center uses, and the City's floodplain and wetland maps were updated. The data and analysis for the Conservation Element was revised to reflect current wetland mitigation projects within the City.

Staff analysis confirms that adopted amendment package #08-2ER to the City of Coral Springs is generally consistent with and supportive of the goals and policies *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida*.

The City of Coral Springs Commission approved the transmittal of the adopted amendments by a unanimous vote (5-0) on June 17, 2008.

Recommendation

Find City of Coral Springs adopted amendment package #08-2ER generally consistent with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida*. Approve this staff report for transmittal to the Florida Department of Community Affairs.





COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

Location Map

City of Coral Springs Adopted Amendment #08-2ER

Sources: FDEP, SFWMD, Broward County, SFRPC.

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