

MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM #6d

DATE: OCTOBER 5, 2009

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: CITY OF NORTH LAUDERDALE PROPOSED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

AMENDMENT (ALTERNATIVE REVIEW)

Introduction

On September 23, 2009, Council staff received proposed amendment #09-1AR to the City of North Lauderdale Comprehensive Plan for review of consistency with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida (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

North Lauderdale has an estimated 2008 population of 42,287, representing an increase of 31 percent since 2000. Incorporated in 1963, two-thirds of the City was developed in the 1970s. The City has annexed several areas in recent years. The City is adjacent to Margate and Coral Springs to the north and northwest, Fort Lauderdale to the southeast, and Tamarac to the south and west. As identified in the vacant land inventory of the City's 2005 Evaluation and Appraisal Report, there is very little vacant land (32.27 acres) left for development. The City is primarily a residential community of suburban character supported by community-oriented commercial development. The City is engaged in the revitalization of State Road 7 as an active member of the S.R. 7/U.S. 441 Collaborative. A general location of the City is shown in Attachment 1.

Summary of Staff Analysis

Proposed amendment package #09-1AR includes text amendments to the Future Land Use Element (FLUE) of the City of North Lauderdale Comprehensive Plan.

The amendment is being processed and reviewed under the Alternative State Review (AR) Process Pilot Program. Pursuant the AR process, comments must be submitted to the City by October 23, 2009.

The proposed amendments to the FLUE have been submitted to provide consistency with the Broward County Land Use Plan. Proposed changes would include aligning City land use decisions with Broward County's Greenways System Map, "Flexibility Rules," and Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design principles. New Policies would direct the City to consider both individual and cumulative impacts of land use plan amendments on the existing and planned transportation facilities within the County; develop standards and monitoring procedures for mass transit and pedestrians; coordinate with

the County and School Board to achieve expedited development review procedures for public and secondary educational facilities; and include measures in the City's post-disaster redevelopment and hazard mitigation plans that encourage the acquisition of hazard-prone private property or redevelopment rights to reduce future property damages.

Staff analysis confirms the proposed text amendments to the FLUE are compatible with and supportive of the Goals and Policies of the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida*.

The City of North Lauderdale Commission unanimously approved the transmittal of the proposed amendment at its September 14, 2009 meeting.

Recommendation

Find the City of North Lauderdale proposed 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.

