



MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM #7c

DATE: OCTOBER 5, 2009

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: CITY OF NORTH MIAMI ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

Introduction

On September 9, 2009, Council staff received adopted plan amendment #09-RWSP1 to the City of North Miami Comprehensive Plan for review of consistency with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida (SRPP)*. The proposed amendment was reviewed at the March 2, 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 North Miami was incorporated in 1926. The City is a coastal community located in northeast Miami-Dade County. North Miami had a population of 59,880 in Census 2000, and was estimated to have 59,688 residents in 2008, a decrease since 2000 of 0.3 percent. The City has an area of approximately 9.98 square miles, and has a density of 6,040 persons per square mile. The City is a builtout, residential and shopping community with regional attractors such as the Oleta River State Park and Joan Lehman Museum of Contemporary Art. A map depicting the general location of the City is included in Attachment 1.

Water Supply Planning

The text amendments in this adopted package have been transmitted pursuant to 2005 Growth Management Legislation. Chapter 163.3177(6)(c) of the Florida Statutes requires local governments to adopt a Water Supply Facilities Work Plan (Work Plan) into their Comprehensive Plan 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. Therefore, the deadline for local governments within the Lower East Coast jurisdiction to adopt a Work Plan was August 15, 2008.

The Work Plan is intended for local governments to identify and plan for water supply facilities and sources needed for existing and new development or population. The emphasis on the preparation of the Work Plan is to coordinate local comprehensive planning with the Regional Water Supply Plan, as well as promote coordination among local governments, the SFWMD, and water supply utilities within and across local government jurisdictions. The Work Plan should address the following, related to water

supply planning: regional and local issues; current and projected population, water supply, and demand; Level of Service (LOS) standards; conservation and reuse; alternative water supplies (AWS); and capital improvement updates for implementation.

The Goals, Objectives, and Policies (GOPs) of a local government's Comprehensive Plan are required to reflect adoption and content of the Work Plan. The Infrastructure, Capital Improvements, Intergovernmental Coordination, Conservation, and Future Land Use Elements may need to be revised for consistency with water supply planning.

City of North Miami Work Plan

The City of North Miami provides potable water to 78,000 people within its water service area of approximately 1-square miles, including City residents and businesses, the Village of Biscayne Park, and Golden Glades, Westview, and Pinewood of unincorporated Miami-Dade County. Sixty-five percent of the service area water is derived from the City's water permit and the remaining 35 percent is purchased from the Miami-Dade County Water and Sewer Department (MDWASD). In October 2007, the City applied for renewal of its Consumptive Use Permit (CUP) to allow 10.03 Million Gallons per Day (MGD) to be withdrawn from the Floridan Aquifer and 8.73 MGD from the Biscayne Aquifer. The renewal is pending, but if granted it would allow the City to pursue their AWS plan of constructing a Reverse Osmosis plant utilizing the Floridan Aquifer and eliminating its dependency on MDWASD.

The City Work Plan describes its service area, its relationship with the County (MDWASD), supply facilities, provides data and analysis on current and projected water supply and demand through 2025, CUP issues, and describes local and regional conservation and reuse initiatives, and planned AWS projects and capital improvements.

Summary of Staff Analysis

Adopted amendment package #09-RWSP1 was adopted as proposed with revisions based on the April 10, 2009 Objections, Recommendations, and Comments (ORC) Report, issued by the Department of Community Affairs (DCA). In response, the City revised its population projections for consistency with the City of North Miami, Miami-Dade County, and the SFWMD. Policy 8.6.13 of the Intergovernmental Coordination Element was revised to meet water concurrency requirements for new development and Policy 8.6.9 was expanded to include the activities the City will take to coordinate water supply planning efforts within its service area. The Infrastructure Element was amended to direct the City to update its Work Plan within 18 months of a *LECWSP Update* and comply and coordinate its Comprehensive Plan with the Work Plan. The Conservation Element was revised to include new conservation implementation Policies and monitoring mechanisms.

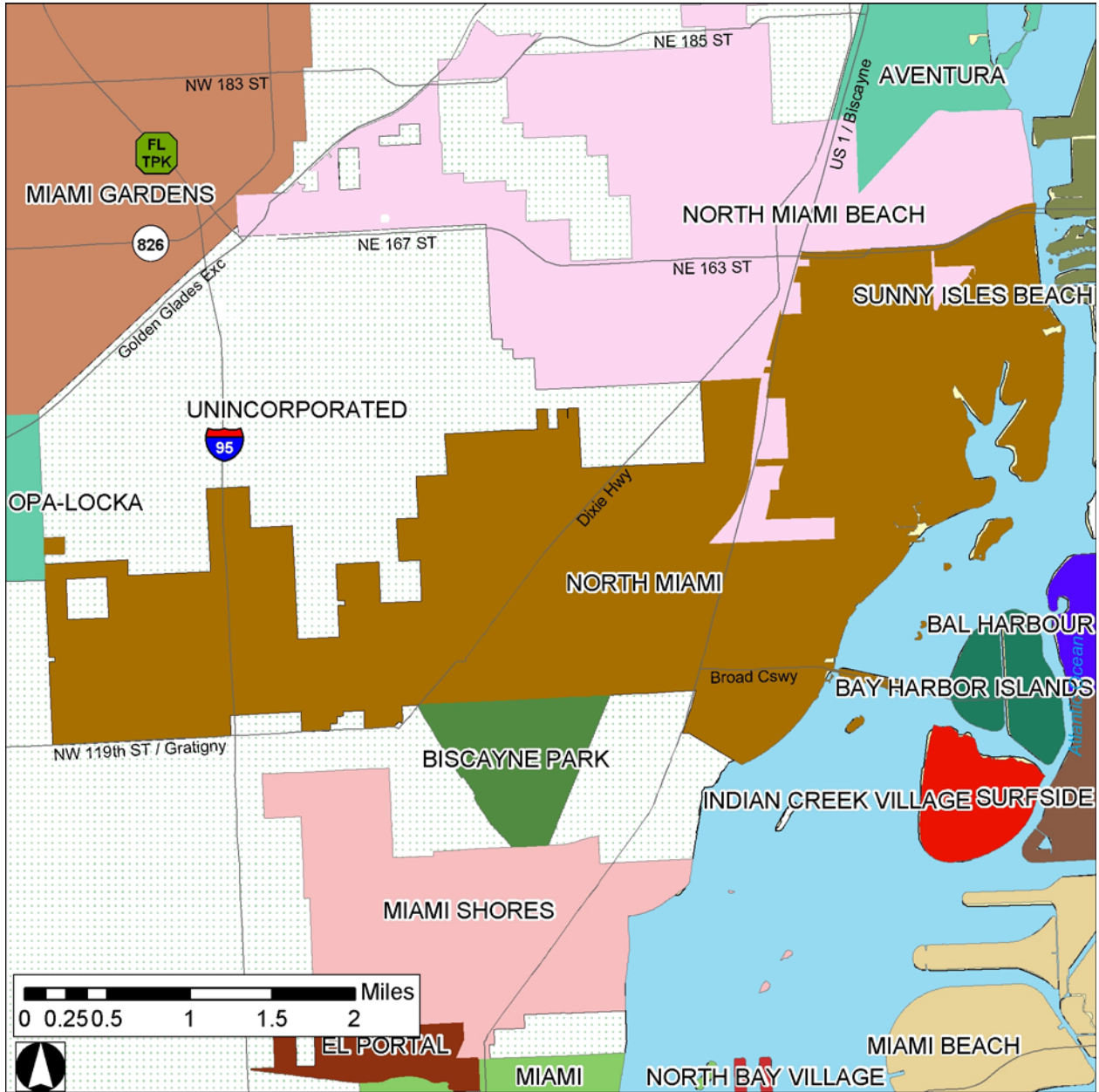
The City of North Miami Commission unanimously approved (5-0) the transmittal of the adopted amendments at its August 25, 2009 meeting.

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

Recommendation

Find City of North Miami adopted amendment #09-RWSP1 generally consistent with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida (SRPP)*. Approve this staff report for transmittal to the Florida Department of Community Affairs.

Attachment 1



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

Location Map

City of North Miami
Adopted Amendment #09-RWSP1

Sources: Miami-Dade County, SFRPC.

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