



# MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM #7e

DATE: APRIL 7, 2008  
TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS  
FROM: STAFF  
SUBJECT: CITY OF DANIA BEACH ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

## Introduction

On March 21, 2008 Council staff received adopted amendment #08-1ER to the City of Dania Beach Comprehensive Plan for review of consistency with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida (SRPP)*. Proposed amendment #08-1ER (previously #01-1ER) was reviewed at the September 10, 2001 Council meeting and was 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

In 1905 the City of Dania Beach became the first municipality incorporated in what is now Broward County (the County was not established until 1915). The settlement, originally called Modello, was centered on agriculture and the railroad. The Dania Cut-off Canal, dredged in 1918, gave the area access to the Atlantic Ocean. Through various annexations and de-annexations in its history, Dania Beach now consists of approximately 8.43 square miles (5,395.178 acres). The U.S. Census Bureau estimated the City's population to be 29,524 in 2007, representing a growth of 47% since 2000. The City is approximately 80% built out. As the oldest incorporated City in the County, Dania Beach is faced with urban infill and redevelopment issues but has made progress in that area in the past decade. Proximity to Port Everglades, Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport, two railroad lines and two interstate highways gives Dania Beach a considerable competitive advantage in attracting transportation-intensive businesses.

Additional information regarding the City of Dania Beach or the region may be found on the Council's website, [www.sfrpc.com](http://www.sfrpc.com).

## Summary of Staff Analysis

Adopted amendment #8-1ER updates and revises the Transportation Element to the City's Comprehensive Plan. A map depicting the general location of the City is contained in Attachment 1.

No Future Land Use Map amendments associated with this amendment.

The purpose of the amendment is to address issues raised in the City's first round Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR) and to be consistent with the Broward County Comprehensive Plan's adopted Transportation Element, current Florida Department of Transportation requirements, and current transportation conditions. The adopted amendment updates and revises the Transportation Element, including the data, analysis, goals, objectives, policies and maps.

Amendments associated with issues identified in the City's second round EAR and to update the remainder of the Comprehensive Plan will be addressed in a separate amendment.

The amendment was substantially revised from the proposed amendment to address objections raised by the Florida Departments of Community Affairs and Transportation.

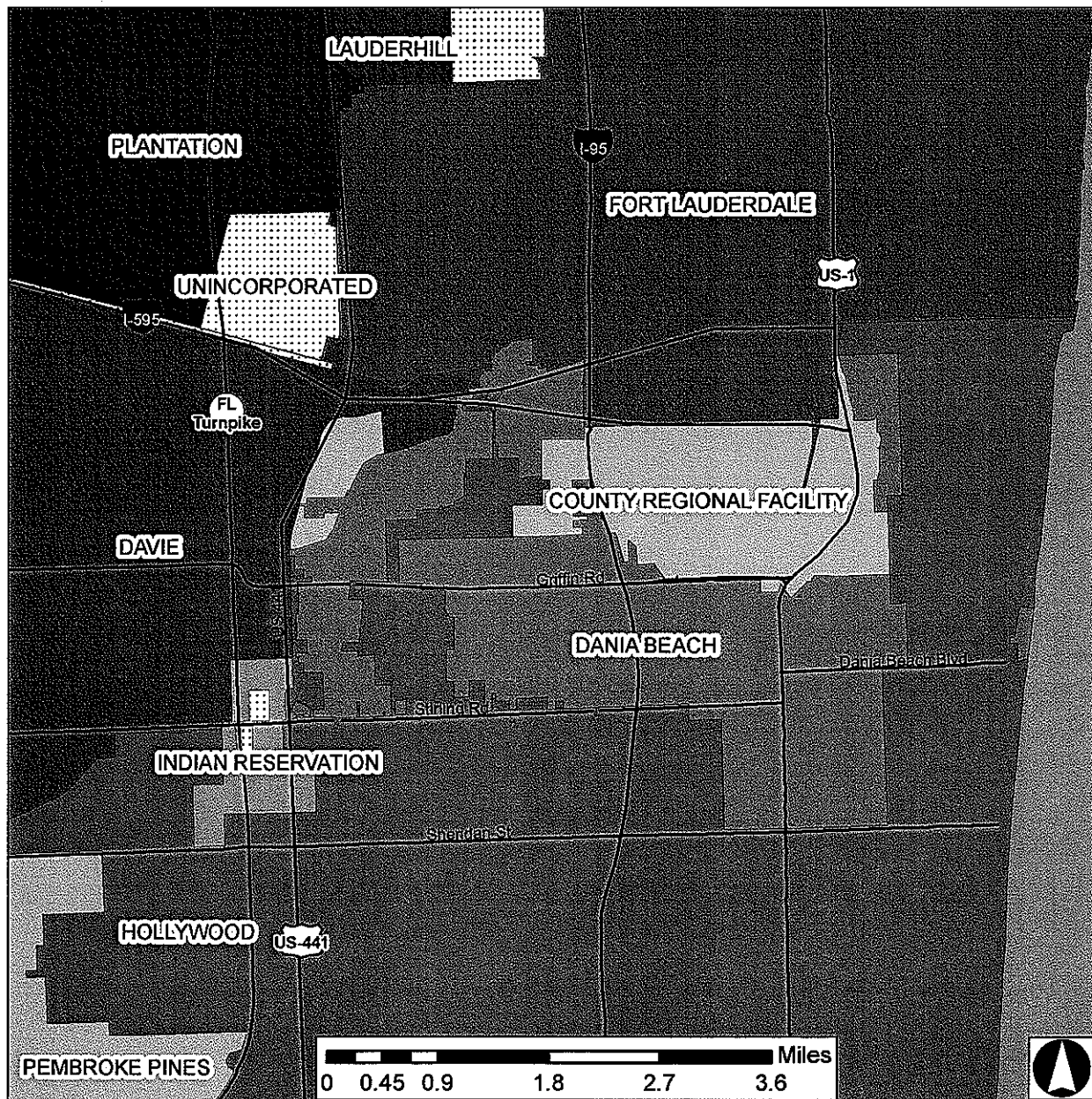
The City of Dania Beach City Commission approved the amendment by unanimous vote at its City Commission meeting of March 11, 2008.

Staff analysis confirms that the adopted amendment is generally compatible with and supportive of the goals and policies *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida*.

Recommendation

Find adopted amendment #08-1ER to the City of Dania Beach Comprehensive Plan generally consistent with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida*. Approve this staff report for transmittal to the Florida Department of Community Affairs.

Attachment 1



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

Location Map

City of Dania Beach  
Adopted Amendment #08-1ER

Sources: FDEP, SFWMD, Broward County, SFRPC.

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