

# **MEMORANDUM**

AGENDA ITEM #6e

DATE:

MAY 5, 2008

TO:

COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM:

**STAFF** 

SUBJECT: DANIA BEACH PROPOSED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

#### Introduction

On April 18, 2008 Council staff received proposed plan amendment #08-RWSP1 to the Dania Beach 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

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 City's population was estimated 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.

#### Summary of Staff Analysis

Proposed amendment #08-RWSP1 includes amendments to the Potable Water, Conservation, Capital Improvements, and Intergovernmental Elements of the Dania Beach Comprehensive Plan. There are no proposed changes in land use in this amendment package. The general location of Dania Beach is shown in Attachment 1.

A summary of the proposed amendments in this package follows.

#### Summary of Plan Amendments

The text amendments in this proposed package have been transmitted pursuant to 2005 Growth Management legislation. Chapter 163.3177(6)(c), F.S., requires local governments to adopt a Water Supply Facilities Work Plan into their comprehensive plans 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 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 is August 15, 2008. In general, the Work Plan is intended for local governments to identify and plan for water supply sources and facilities needed to serve existing and new development. The emphasis on the preparation of the Work Plan is to coordinate local comprehensive planning with the regional water supply plan, as well as to promote coordination among local governments, the SFWMD, and water supply utilities within and/or across local government jurisdictions. In addition, the Work Plan should address potable water level of service standards, conservation measures, alternative water supplies, reuse, and capital improvement updates for implementation.

A summary analysis of Dania Beach's proposed amendment to the Potable Water Element, the City's Water Supply Plan, and three additional proposed amendments follows.

#### Potable Water Element (Water Supply Plan)

The Potable Water Element has been updated to serve as the required City's Water Supply Plan or Work Plan. The Water Supply Plan addresses the existing conditions of the City's water system, served by Dania Beach Department of Public Works and Utilities and the Broward County Water and Wastewater Services (Service Area 3A). The Water Supply Plan addresses water supply demand and projections, revised level of service standards, plans for implementing additional potable water needs, revenue sources and capital improvement plans, conservation provisions, and plan implementation and monitoring procedures.

The key proposed changes to this element's Goals, Objectives, and Policies include:

- Provisions to meet the revised projected water demands of the City through the year 2028 through construction of planned water facilities and by maintaining the identified level of service standards; and
- Exploration of additional water supplies in the City and in cooperation with Broward County.

#### Conservation Element

The key proposed changes to this element include:

- Recognition of the Potable Water Element's current and projected water needs and sources for the next 10 years; and
- Implementation of the development and maintenance of a water consumption database, requirements of low flow plumbing fixtures for building remodeling and construction, conservation-based public information and education programs, and a water conservation rate structure.

#### Intergovernmental Coordination Element

The key proposed changes to this element include:

 Exploration of additional water supplies for the City through coordination with Broward County and the South Florida Water Management District, particularly with the Regional Water Supply Plan.

#### Capital Improvement Element

The key proposed changes to this element include:

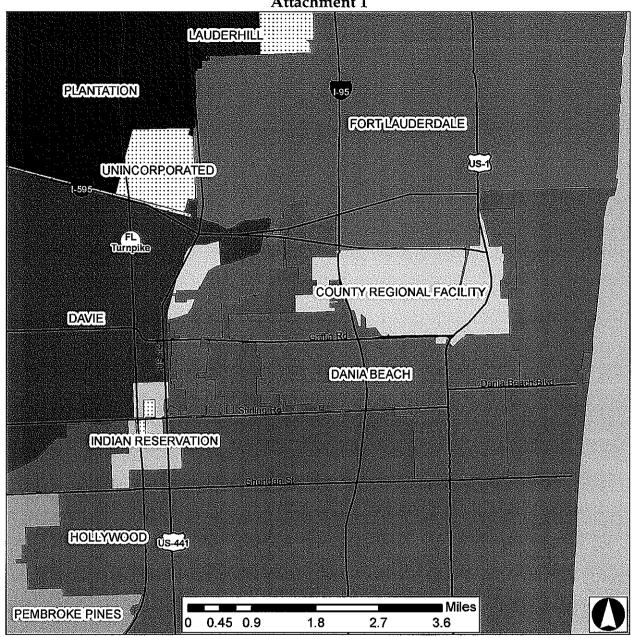
- Updates to the capital improvements needed to maintain the adopted levels of service for potable water, including cost and time; and
- Exploration of additional water supplies.

The Dania Beach City Commissioners approved the transmittal of the proposed amendment by unanimous vote at its April 8, 2008 meeting.

#### Recommendation

Find Dania Beach proposed amendment #08-RWSP1 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**

Dania Beach Proposed Amendment #08-RWSP1

Sources: FDEP, SFWMD, Miami-Dade County, SFRPC.

For planning purposes only. All distances are approximate.