

TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM

To: Council Members AGENDA ITEM 5G

From: Staff

Date: June 18, 2010 Council Meeting

Subject: Local Government Comprehensive Plan Review
Draft Amendment to the Town of Palm Beach Comprehensive Plan
DCA Reference No. 10RWSP-1

Introduction

The Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development Regulation Act, Chapter 163, *Florida Statutes*, requires that the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council (TCRPC) review local government comprehensive plan amendments prior to their adoption. Under the provisions of this law, the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) prepares an Objections, Recommendations, and Comments (ORC) Report on a proposed amendment only if requested to do so by the local government, the regional planning council, an affected person, or if an ORC Report is otherwise deemed necessary by the DCA. If an ORC Report is to be prepared, then the TCRPC must provide DCA with its findings of consistency or inconsistency with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan (SRPP), and provide any comments and recommendations for modification on the proposed amendment within 30 days of its receipt.

Background

The Town of Palm Beach has proposed a text amendment to the Infrastructure Element of the Town Comprehensive Plan. The proposed amendment is exempt from the twice per year limitation on amendments (Rule 9J-11.006(1), Florida Administrative Code) because it is to incorporate the Town's Water Supply Facilities Work Plan (WSFWP) into the Town's Comprehensive Plan as required in the Florida Statutes. The Town has requested a formal review of the proposed amendment by the DCA.

Evaluation

The purpose of the text amendment is to address statutory requirements (Chapters 373.0361(7) and 163.3177(6)(c), Florida Statutes) by providing coordination of the Town's 10-Year WSFWP with the South Florida Water Management District's (SFWMD) Lower East Coast Regional Water Supply Plan (LECRWSP).

The proposed amendment is a revision to Policy 12.3 of the Potable Water section of the Infrastructure Element. The policy is revised to:

- Incorporate by reference the Town's WSFWP dated November, 2009 into the Comprehensive Plan.
- Commit to update the WSFWP within 18 months of adoption by the SFWMD of the LECRWSP.

The Town purchases their potable water from the City of West Palm Beach. The Town indicates that other comprehensive plan policies regarding potable water supply, water supply concurrency, water conservation and coordination with the City of West Palm Beach on capacity of water supply facilities have been revised or adopted during the Evaluation and Appraisal amendment process that was completed in October, 2009.

Extrajurisdictional Impacts

The Town did not submit the proposed amendment to the Palm Beach County Intergovernmental Plan Amendment Review Committee and therefore the proposed amendment did not go through the intergovernmental notification and review process. However, the proposed amendment should not have any negative extrajurisdictional impacts.

Effects on Significant Regional Resources or Facilities

Analysis of the proposed amendment indicates that it would not have adverse effects on significant regional resources or facilities.

Analysis of Consistency with Strategic Regional Policy Plan

The proposed amendment is consistent with Strategy 6.2.2 and its supporting policies regarding the development of water supply plans.

Consistency with Strategic Regional Policy Plan

The contract agreement with the DCA requires the TCRPC to include a determination of consistency with the SRPP as part of the written report to be submitted to the DCA. The TCRPC finds the proposed amendment to be CONSISTENT with the SRPP.

Recommendation

The Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council should adopt the above comments and instruct staff to transmit the report to the Department of Community Affairs.

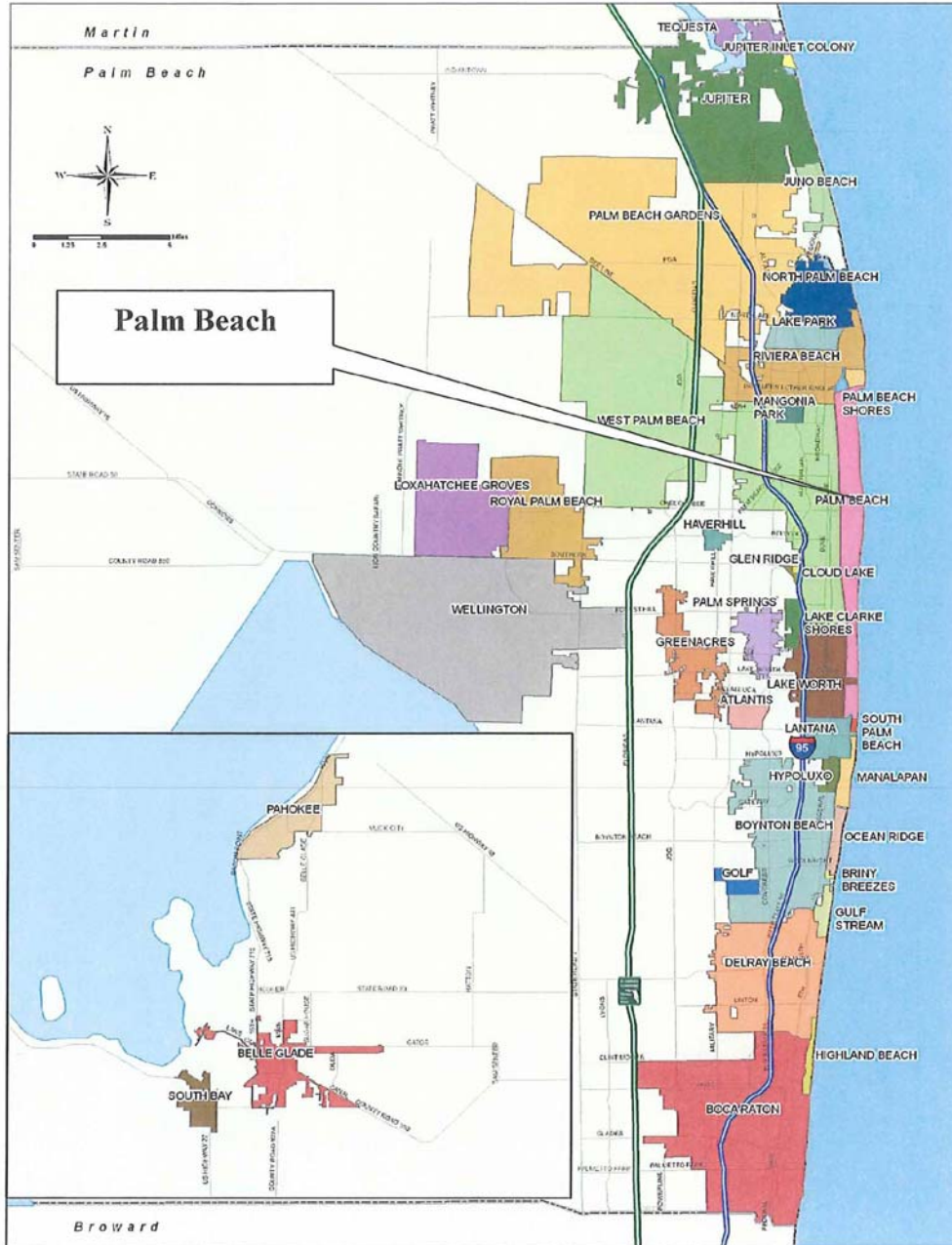
Attachments

List of Exhibits

Exhibit

- 1 General Location Map
- 2 Potable Water Service Area

Exhibit 1 General Location Map Town of Palm Beach



**Exhibit 2
Potable Water Service Areas
Town of Palm Beach**

