TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM

To: Council Members
From: Staff
Date: March 20, 2015 Council Meeting
Subject: Local Government Comprehensive Plan Review
Draft Amendment to the Wellington Comprehensive Plan
Amendment No. 15-1ESR

Introduction

The Community Planning Act, Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, requires that the regional planning council review local government comprehensive plan amendments prior to their adoption. The regional planning council review and comments are limited to adverse effects on regional resources or facilities identified in the strategic regional policy plan (SRPP) and extrajurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of any affected local government within the region. Council must provide any comments to the local government within 30 days of the receipt of the proposed amendments and must also send a copy of any comments to the state land planning agency.

The amendment package from Wellington includes a text amendment to the Equestrian Preservation Element of the comprehensive plan. This report includes a summary of the proposed amendment and Council comments.

Summary of Proposed Amendment

The proposed amendment is to add a second bridal trail map to the Equestrian Preservation Element. The new map, which is adopted in Ordinance No. 2014-26, is titled Equestrian Circulation Plan - Existing & Currently Planned Elements. This map better defines and delineates connectivity to locations within and outside of Wellington’s Equestrian Preservation Area. Improvements in the new map include better circulation, accessibility, and improved safety through analysis of the existing trail system and conflict points.

Regional Impacts

No adverse effects on significant regional resources or facilities have been identified.
Extrajurisdictional Impacts

The proposed amendment was circulated by the Palm Beach County Intergovernmental Plan Amendment Review Committee Clearinghouse Coordinator on January 31, 2015. No extrajurisdictional impacts have been identified.

Conclusion

No adverse effects on regional resources or facilities and no extrajurisdictional impacts have been identified.

Recommendation

Council should approve this report and authorize its transmittal to Wellington and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

Attachments
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General Location Map
ORDINANCE NO. 2014-26

AN ORDINANCE OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL,
AMENDING THE WELLINGTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY
ADOPTING A BRIDLE TRAIL MAP IN THE EQUESTRIAN ELEMENT;
PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND SEVERABILITY; AUTHORIZING
THE MANAGER TO UPDATE THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; AND
PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 163.3161 et. seq., Florida Statutes (1987) established the
Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development Regulation Act; and

WHEREAS, Wellington adopted its Comprehensive Plan on January 19, 1999,
by Ordinance No. 99-01, and

WHEREAS, the Wellington Comprehensive Plan is consistent with all state and
county requirements; and

WHEREAS, Wellington’s bridle trails are an important amenity in the Equestrian
Preserve Area and provide safe routes for equestrian riders and their horses; and

WHEREAS, the Wellington Council desires to amend the comprehensive plan to
guide and control the future development of Wellington, and to preserve, promote and
protect the public health, safety and welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF WELLINGTON,
FLORIDA, THAT:

SECTION 1: The above recitals are true and correct.

SECTION 2: The Equestrian Element of Wellington’s Comprehensive Plan is
hereby amended as set forth in Exhibit “A” attached hereto and made a part hereof.

SECTION 3: The Manager is hereby directed to update the Comprehensive Plan
in accordance with this Ordinance.

SECTION 4: Should any section paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this
Ordinance be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision
shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any portion or part thereof,
other than the part to be declared invalid.

SECTION 5: Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this
Ordinance conflict with any section, paragraph, clause or phrase of any prior Wellington
Ordinance, Resolution, or Municipal Code provision; then in that event the provisions of
this Ordinance shall prevail to the extent of such conflict.

CERTIFIED COPY
AMILDA RODRIGUEZ
VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON
WELLINGTON, FLORIDA
VILLAGE CLERK

\sign\
SECTION 6: The effective date of this plan amendment shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED this 13th day of January, 2015 upon first reading.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ___day of ____________ 2014, on second and final reading.

WELLINGTON

BY: _____________________________________ FOR _________ AGAINST _________
     Bob Margolis, Mayor

     _____________________________________ FOR _________ AGAINST _________
     John Greene, Vice Mayor

     _____________________________________ FOR _________ AGAINST _________
     Matt Willhite, Councilman

     _____________________________________ FOR _________ AGAINST _________
     RESIGNED
     Howard K. Ccates, Jr., Councilman

     _____________________________________ FOR _________ AGAINST _________
     Anne Gerwig, Councilwoman

ATTEST:

BY: _____________________________________
     Awilda Rodriguez, Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

BY: _____________________________________
     Laurie Cohen, Village Attorney
Exhibit 3
Equestrian Circulation Plan – Existing & Currently Planned Elements