TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

M E M O R A N D U M

To: Council Members   AGENDA ITEM 8B7

From: Staff

Date: February 17, 2017 Council Meeting

Subject: Local Government Comprehensive Plan Review
          Draft Amendment to the Palm Beach County Comprehensive Plan
          Amendment No. 17-1ESR

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 Palm Beach County contains text changes to the Intergovernmental Coordination, Introduction and Administration, Future Land Use, Capital Improvement, and Public School Facilities elements and the Map Series of the comprehensive plan. This report includes a summary of the proposed amendment and Council comments.

Summary of Proposed Amendment

The proposed amendment is intended to reflect changes to the process of school capacity planning caused by the adoption of the new Interlocal Agreement for Coordinated School Planning. Because of the extensive volume of material in the amendment package, the revised elements have been provided as a supplement to this report on Council's website.

In the Intergovernmental Coordination Element, the County is proposing to add school planning goals, objectives, and policies relocated from the Public Schools Facilities Element. Revisions are included to account for the new Coordinated School Planning Interlocal Agreement, including the addition of a School Capacity Availability Determination process and new facility siting procedures.

Regarding the Introduction and Administration Element, definitions will be added, deleted and modified to align with the new coordinated school planning process.

In the Future Land Use Element, relevant references are proposed to be updated to ensure internal consistency and coordination with changes in the other elements.

Changes are proposed in the Capital Improvement Element to delete the school level of service information and remove text regarding school concurrency, as these are no longer applicable under the new interlocal agreement.

The Public Schools Facilities Element is proposed to be eliminated. Much of the current text is related to school concurrency, which was originally established through an interlocal agreement that has now expired. It was replaced with a new Coordinated School Planning Interlocal Agreement and the relevant goals, objectives, and policies are proposed to be relocated to the Intergovernmental Coordination Element and revised as necessary.

Contained within the Map Series, the School Concurrency Service Area map is proposed to be changed to the School Planning Area map and the Facility Locations and Planned Additional Capacity maps are proposed to be updated. All of the affected maps will be moved from the Public School Facilities Element (PSFE) to the Intergovernmental Coordination Element since the PSFE is being eliminated.

Regional Impacts

No adverse effects on 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 August 2, 2016. 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 Palm Beach County and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

Attachment

General Location Map