MEMORANDUM

To: Council Members
From: Staff
Date: May 18, 2018 Council Meeting
Subject: Local Government Comprehensive Plan Review
Draft Amendment to the Village of North Palm Beach Comprehensive Plan Amendment No. 18-1ER

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 the Village of North Palm Beach was received on January 24, 2018 and contains text changes to the General Requirements, Future Land Use, Coastal Management, Intergovernmental Coordination, Capital Improvement, and Public School Concurrency elements of the comprehensive plan. The proposed changes are based on the city’s Evaluation and Appraisal Review (EAR). This report includes a summary of the proposed amendment and Council comments.

Summary of Proposed Amendment

The proposed amendment includes text changes to the General Requirements, Future Land Use, Coastal Management, Intergovernmental Coordination, Capital Improvement, and Public School Concurrency elements of the comprehensive plan based on the city’s EAR, which was completed in January of 2017. The purpose of the EAR is to determine whether the need exists to amend the comprehensive plan to reflect changes in state requirements since the last time the comprehensive plan was updated.

The city has provided the changes in strikethrough and underline format. 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. The most significant changes in the comprehensive plan are summarized below:

General Requirements Element

- Deletes references to Chapter 9J-5, Florida Administrative Code to reflect the transfer of State requirements to Chapter 163, Florida Statutes.
- Revises text concerning EARs to conform to current requirements.

Future Land Use Element

- Revises Table 3-5 and Figure 3-6 Flood Zones to reflect current Federal Emergency Management Agency flood zones.
- Revises Figure 3-7 Coastal High Hazard Area to reflect the current Category 1 Storm Surge modeling.

Coastal Management Element

- Adds Goal 7.4 and related Objectives and Policies in order to comply with Senate Bill 1094 (SB 1094) which was enacted in 2015 by the Florida Legislature. SB 1094 requires local governments with coastal access to consider sea level rise and other factors that increase flood risk and include provisions in their Coastal Management Element to implement the mandate.

Intergovernmental Coordination Element

- Adds Goal 10.4, and new Objectives 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3 with associated Policies concerning coordinated school planning. These provisions are relocated from the Public School Concurrency Element and revised to account for the Coordinated School Planning Interlocal Agreement between North Palm Beach and the School District of Palm Beach County approved on April 27, 2016, which replaced school concurrency.
- Deletes Figure 12-1 Concurrency Service Areas originally contained in the Public School Concurrency Element and adds and renumbers Figure 12-2 School Facility Locations and Figure 12-3 Planned Additional Capacity.

Capital Improvement Element

- Deletes Policy 7.5 and Objective 8 with its associated Policies concerning school level of service due to the replacement of school concurrency with coordinated school planning pursuant to the Coordinated School Planning Interlocal Agreement.
Public School Concurrency Element

- Eliminates the entire element. Much of the current text concerns 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.

Regional Impacts

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

Extrajurisdictional Impacts

The proposed amendments were circulated by the Palm Beach County Intergovernmental Plan Amendment Review Committee Clearinghouse Coordinator on January 2, 2018. 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 the Village of North Palm Beach and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

Attachments
List of Exhibits

Exhibit

1 General Location Map
Exhibit 1
General Location Map