To: Council Members
From: Staff
Date: May 18, 2018 Council Meeting
Subject: Local Government Comprehensive Plan Review
Draft Amendment to the Town of Jupiter Comprehensive Plan
Amendment No. 18-1ESR

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 the Town of Jupiter was received on April 25, 2018 and contains amendments to the text of the Intergovernmental Coordination, Capital Improvements, and Public School Facilities elements of the comprehensive plan. This report includes a summary of the proposed amendment and Council comments.

Summary of Proposed Amendment

The proposed amendments are intended to reflect changes to the process of school capacity planning caused by the adoption of the new Interlocal Agreement for Coordinated School Planning for jurisdictions in Palm Beach County.

The Town has provided the changes in strikeout 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:
Intergovernmental Coordination Element

- Adds Goal 4 Public School Coordinated Planning relocated from the Public Schools Facilities Element.

- Adds Objective 4.1 and associated Policies 4.1.1 through 4.1.7 regarding intergovernmental coordination between the Town and the School District. The Objective and Policies are relocated from the Public Schools Facilities Element and modified to reflect the new Interlocal Agreement for Coordinated School Planning.

- Adds Objective 4.2 and associated Policies 4.2.1 through 4.2.7 regarding school facility siting coordination. The Objective and Policies are relocated from the Public Schools Facilities Element.

- Adds Objective 4.3 and associated Policy 4.3.1 regarding population projects which are relocated from the Public Schools Facilities Element and modified to refer to the County’s population allocation model.

- Adds definitions for “district schools”, “Florida Inventory of School Houses (FISH)” is relocated from the Public Schools Facilities Element and adds new definitions for “capacity projects” and “permanent student station” from the Interlocal Agreement.

- Adds maps for school planning areas, existing school locations, planned additional capacity, and projected additional capacity. These are relocated from the Public Schools Facilities Element and revised and renamed as appropriate.

Capital Improvements Element

- Deletes Objective 1.6 and associated Policies 1.6.1 through 1.6.5 concerning a determination of meeting the public school level of service and the Palm Beach County School District’s Six-Year Capital Improvement Schedule. Through the Interlocal Agreement for Coordinated School Planning, a School Capacity Availability Determination will be provided based on a proposed increase in dwelling units and existing and planned school capacity.

- Adds Policy 1.2.5 referencing the School District of Palm Beach County’s Five-Year Capital Improvement Schedule and affirms that the Town has no obligation to fund the School District’s capital facilities plan.

Public Schools Facilities Element

The Public Schools Facilities Element is proposed to be eliminated. Much of the current text concerns school concurrency, which was originally established through an interlocal agreement that has now expired. It was replaced with the new Interlocal Agreement for Coordinated School Planning 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 amendment was circulated by the Palm Beach County Intergovernmental Plan Amendment Review Committee Clearinghouse Coordinator on March 21, 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 Town of Jupiter and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

Attachments
List of Exhibits

Exhibit

1  General Location Map