



MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM #IV.D

DATE: SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: REGIONAL ISSUES: COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT REVIEW CITY OF POMPANO BEACH 20-02ESR

Amendment Review

Pursuant to the Interlocal Agreement creating the South Florida Regional Planning Council in 1974, the Council is directed by its member counties to “assure the orderly, economic, and balanced growth and development of the Region, consistent with the protection of natural resources and environment of the Region and to protect the health, safety, welfare and quality of life of the residents of the Region.”

The South Florida Regional Planning Council (Council) reviews Comprehensive Plan amendments for consistency with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida (SRPP)* Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, Council review of amendments to local government comprehensive plans is limited to 1) adverse effects on regional resources and facilities identified in the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida (SRPP)* and 2) extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of any affected local government within the Region. The Council’s review of amendments is conducted in two stages: (1) proposed or transmittal and (2) adoption. Council staff reviews the contents of the amendment package once the Department of Economic Opportunity certifies its completeness.

A written report containing an evaluation of these impacts, pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, is to be provided to the local government and the State Land Planning Agency within 30 calendar days of receipt of the amendment.

Introduction

On August 7, 2020 Council staff received proposed amendment package #20-02ESR. The proposed amendments to the City of Pompano Beach’s Comprehensive Plan update all elements of the Comprehensive Plan to incorporate the concept of sustainability. The amendments also add a new Climate Change Element.



In its role as a review agency, the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) provided comments to the City of Pompano Beach that need to be addressed prior to final adoption of amendment package #20-02ESR. The SFWMD identifies regional water supply as an ‘important state resource’ that is potentially adversely impacted by the amendment in its current form.

Additionally, while the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) did not issue formal comments for the City of Pompano Beach #20-02ESR, in their technical assistance comments they recommend that the Transportation Element explicitly address through policy the “need for coordination with FDOT to specifically address impacts and coordination regarding the State Intermodal System (SIS).” As an important regional and state facility, the Council supports this recommendation.

The Council’s “Consent Agenda”, by definition, contains proposed / adopted amendments that do not have potential 1) adverse effects on regional resources and facilities identified in the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida (SRPP)* and 2) extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of any affected local government within the Region.

Council staff has spoken with the SFWMD and City of Pompano Beach and is confident that the City will make every effort to address these issues prior to final adoption and review by the Council. The SFWMD has communicated to the City of Pompano Beach that they believe that all of their comments can be resolved. At this time, however, proposed amendment package #20-02ESR is *generally inconsistent* with the SRPP Goal 7: Protect, conserve, and enhance the Region’s water resources. Council staff is pleased to be of assistance to the City of Pompano Beach as requested.

Recommendation

Find proposed City of Pompano Beach amendment #20-02ESR *generally inconsistent* with SRPP Goal 7: Protect, conserve, and enhance the Region’s water resources.