

#### **DRAFT AGENDA**

#### **MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2021**

#### SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL 1 Oakwood Boulevard, Suite 250 Hollywood, FL 33020 Phone: 954-924-3653

Council Meeting will begin at 10:30 a.m.

#### **VIRTUAL / PHYSICAL MEETING**

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- I. Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call
- II. Approval Council Agenda
- III. Presentation (Time Certain: 11:45 a.m.)

South Florida Defense Alliance: A Regional Look at Defense & National Security Interests

Steven C. Williamson, Colonel, U.S. Army (Ret); Board President, South Florida Defense Alliance; Managing Principal, BEST Solutions Consulting Group

Rick Miller, Captain, U.S. Navy (Ret); Executive Director, South Florida Defense Alliance; Founder & CEO, PHAROS Mission Critical Solution

- IV. Action Items
  - A. Minutes of Previous Meeting
  - B. Financial Report



## C. Consent: Comprehensive Plan Amendment Reviews Proposed

- Broward County 20-08ESR
- City of Miami 20-02ESR
- North Bay Village 20-01ESR
- City of Pompano Beach 20-04ESR

#### Adopted

- Broward County 20-04ESR
- Broward County 20-07ACSC
- Miami-Dade County 20-03ESR
- Miami-Dade County 20-04ER
- City of Coral Gables 20-01ESR
- City of Fort Lauderdale 20-02ESR
- Town of Golden Beach 20-01ESR
- City of Hialeah 20-01ESR
- City of Homestead 20-02ESR
- City of Marathon 20-03ACSC
- City of Miami 20-01ESR
- City of Oakland Park 20-01ESR
- City of Parkland 20-01ESR
- City of Plantation 20-01ESR
- City of Pompano Beach 20-01ESR
- City of Pompano Beach 20-02ESR
- City of Pompano Beach 20-03ESR
- Village of Virginia Gardens 20-01ESR
- D. Regional Issues: Comprehensive Plan Amendment Review
- E. Nominating Committee Report / Election of Officers
- F. Resolution 21-01 / SB 62 Regional Planning Councils
- G. CEDS Committee Board Appointment
- H. Executive Director / Spending Authority

#### **Public Hearing**

#### **Public Comments**

#### V. Discussion Items

- A. Executive Director's Report
- B. Legal Counsel Report
- C. Councilmembers Report
- D. Ex-Officio Report

#### VI. Program Reports and Activities

A. SFRPC Revolving Loan Funds Status Report

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B. SFRPC CARES Act RLF Status Report

- C. Development of Regional Impact Status Report-None
- D. FRCA Winter Policy Board Forum / 2019 2020 FRCA Annual Report
- E. Council Highlights

#### VII. Announcements and Attachments

- A. Attendance Form
- B. Correspondence and Articles
- C. Upcoming Meetings
  - 1) Monday, February 22, 2021, 10:30 a.m. TBD (SFRPC, Hollywood)
  - 2) Friday, March 19, 2021, 10:30 a.m. TBD (SFRPC / TCRPC Joint Meeting)
  - 3) Monday, April 26, 2021, 10:30 a.m. TBD (SFRPC, Hollywood)

#### VIII. Adjournment

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# South Florida Defense Alliance: A Regional Look at Defense & National Security Interests

#### **Special Guests**



Steven C. Williamson, Colonel, U.S. Army (Ret)
Board President, South Florida Defense Alliance
Managing Principal, BEST Solutions Consulting Group



Rick Miller, Captain, U.S. Navy (Ret)
Executive Director, South Florida Defense Alliance
Founder & CEO, PHAROS Mission Critical Solutions



#### Steven C. Williamson Managing Principal



**Steven C. Williamson, Colonel, U.S. Army (Ret)** is the Managing Principle for BEST Solutions Consulting Group and Board President for the South Florida Defense Alliance. He is a true global leader with a local focus, serving for over 20 years in executive leadership positions where he has managed complex and diverse organizations that tackle the most pressing infrastructure and urban development challenges. Steve is passionate about transforming the built and natural environment into resilient, livable and thriving communities. He envisions what is special about a place and reinforces it with a strong identity, resilient infrastructure, economic opportunities and community involvement.

Steve served for 28 years as a U.S. Army engineer, culminating his career as a colonel in Miami, Florida. During his military career, he led 4,500 people, managed more than \$4 billion and served in five combat operations on four continents. His teams were responsible for planning, constructing and sustaining U.S. military and partner-nation bases, facilities and infrastructure worldwide. Continuing his devotion to public service, Steve has worked for over three years in senior municipal government positions. He planned and implemented the City of Miami's 5-year, \$3.1 billion capital improvements program, delivering over 250 projects valued at \$650M in a 2-year period to enhance city's transportation, recreation and cultural, public safety, and resilience and stormwater infrastructure.

To expand his support for the community, Steve founded a consulting firm to provide resilience and urban development solutions to government and private-sector clients. His team strengthens clients' ability to build transformative places and resilient infrastructure that improve communities' quality of life, economic opportunities, and urban experience. Also during his post military journey, Steve formed the South Florida Defense Alliance, a 501c(6) non-profit, where he now serves as Board President. The alliance's mission is to unite, champion and grow the defense community in South Florida by creating a single unified and consistent regional voice; promoting, preserving and enhancing local military missions and installations; facilitating resilient and compatible community-military development; attracting, expanding and retaining defense-related industry; and advocating for improved quality of life for service-members and their families.

Steve graduated from the University of Virginia's McIntire School of Commerce. He received master's degrees from Webster University, Texas A&M University, and the U.S. Army War College. Steve then earned an Executive MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University in 2018.

### **PHAROS** Mission Critical Solutions

Helping Solve Your Toughest Operational Challenges



#### Richard "Rick" Miller

Founder and CEO - PHAROS Mission Critical Solutions

**Captain, United States Navy (Ret)** 

Former Vice President, Nautical & Safety Operations, Carnival Cruise Line

**Richard "Rick" Miller, Partner & CEO,** founded **PHAROS Mission Critical Solutions** to provide a network of functional, government, and commercial business sector experts who work collaboratively with enterprises to achieve success by capturing risks, gaps, and inefficiencies in their unique operations, technology, management, and leadership elements that are critical to sustained mission success.

Prior to founding **PHAROS**, Rick led the Nautical & Safety Operations team at Carnival Cruise Line (CCL) where he was responsible for global nautical/marine operations for CCL's fleet of 26 ships including nautical voyage planning and execution, operational safety, occupational safety, environmental, training, and medical operations. Additionally, he led the concept development, planning, design, construction and opening of Carnival's Fleet Operations Center (FOC) in Miami, the largest and most advanced facility of its kind in the maritime industry. The remainder of his portfolio involved interfacing with ports, port pilots, and port state officials; emergency and incident management operations; health, environmental, safety and security related training development on the ships; as well as talent/career & professional development for all of CCL's deck officers across the fleet. As a leader of nautical operations, he also represented CCL in corporate-wide initiatives that developed enhanced policies and procedures across all nine operating lines and 100+ ships of the corporate fleet.

Rick's Carnival experience followed a successful career in the U.S. Navy including command at sea, with numerous shipboard and staff assignments across a number of specialties. Operationally, he was on extended deployments seven times across multiple regions, sailing all the world's oceans around five continents. He participated in Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm, Operating Enduring Freedom, counter-piracy and counter-terrorism operations, and dozens of contingency operations in Europe and the Balkans, Africa, the Middle East, Central and South Asia, the Caribbean and Latin America. He was professionally qualified for multiple roles in both surface ships and submarines.

Ashore, he led current operations for U.S. Southern Command, the Department of Defense regional command responsible for dispersed air, sea, land, cyber, and counter-narcotics operations across 31 countries in South/Central America and the Caribbean in collaboration with civilian government and non-governmental organizations. A proven specialist in both strategic planning and financial management, he served multiple tours in the Pentagon as part of both the Navy and Joint Staffs directing and planning a significant portion of the Navy's programs and budgets, guiding development of Department of Defense appropriations to support

wartime activities, coordinating congressional engagements and support to the Office of Management and Budget. He served on the personal staffs of both the Vice Chief of Naval Operations and Chief of Naval Operations, the top two uniformed officers in the Navy. Additionally, Rick worked special support on several issues for the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He also spent a year as the Navy's Federal Executive Fellow at the Institute for the Study of Conflict, Ideology and Policy in Boston, Massachusetts.

Active in the community, Rick supports both military and charity causes. He is Executive Director of the South Florida Defense Alliance, a non-profit focused on uniting, championing, and growing the military command, infrastructure, community and defense industries in Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade and Monroe counties. At the state-level, Rick is on the Board of Directors for the Florida Defense Alliance and serves as Chairman of their Mission Sustainment Working Group. He served on the commissioning committee for the Navy's new guided missile destroyer, USS PAUL IGNATIUS (DDG 117), recently entering service in Port Everglades and supports a local congressional military service academy nomination selection committee. Rick is also active in supporting several charity missions through the Covenant Church of Naples.

Rick is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, a distinguished graduate of both the U.S. Naval War College and U.S. National War College and the Catholic University of America. His undergraduate and graduate degrees include engineering, international affairs, and strategic planning disciplines, as well as doctoral work in political economy. Rick has served as a guest lecturer in several graduate schools across the country. He is the author of over 30 articles, professional papers, and the book *Funding Extended Conflicts*, a history of U.S. war financing. He is a member of Pi Sigma Alpha, the National Political Science Honor Society. In his military career, Rick received multiple personal and team awards for superior achievement and outstanding performance. He was also the winner of the Naval War College's B. Franklin Reinauer Defense Economics Prize and the U.S Naval Institute's Naval History Essay Prize. Early in his career, he led a team that designed, built and raced a human-powered submarine that won the first ever international competition and was featured in a National Geographic television documentary, the Wall Street Journal and Popular Science magazine.

For additional information about the South Florida Defense Alliance:

https://www.southfloridadefensealliance.org/about-us-1



## Who We Are: Purpose & Goals

- Create a single unified and consistent voice
- Coalesce community support around our defense community and industries
- Promote, preserve and enhance our local military missions and installations
- Attract, retain, expand defense related industry, academic study and research
- Promote and facilitate compatible community development
- Advocate for our military commands, service-members and their families to enhance their quality of life... making South Florida more "military friendly"



## Why a Defense Alliance



- Advocate: 24 Commands and 15 Installations
- Support: 56,000 active, reserve, guard servicemembers, civilians and their families
- Assist: Over 230,000 veterans in our 4 counties
- Grow: Economic impact of \$12.3B and 130K jobs
- **Enhance:** Increased military missions and latest advanced technology and equipment
- Protect: Encroachment, realignment or BRAC
- Champion: Value of our strategic location, training sites and installations
- Need: Strong consistent, single voice to tell our story and change perceptions
- Essential: United effort local, state and federal

















#### SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

#### November 23, 2020

The South Florida Regional Planning Council met virtually and in person on this date. Chair Geller welcomed those in attendance, virtually, and on the phone. He called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m. and asked Councilmember Ross to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chair Geller welcomed new Councilmember Ana Ziade, Mayor of North Lauderdale, to the Board. Councilmember Ziade was appointed by the Broward League of Cities and replaces former Councilmember Bates as their representative along with Councilmember Ross. Mayor Geller congratulated Councilmember Coldiron in becoming the Monroe County Mayor, Councilmember Udine (Vice Mayor, Broward County), and Councilmember José "Pepe" Díaz (Chair, Miami-Dade Commission) and Mayor Greg Ross on his re-election. He mentioned that he is now the Broward County Mayor, and past Chair Daniella Levine Cava is the newly elected Miami-Dade County Mayor.

Councilmember Patricia Asseff (absent)

Councilmember Mario J. Bailey (in person)

Councilmember Michelle Coldiron (virtually present)

Councilmember Joseph Corradino (virtually present)

Councilmember José (Pepe) Diaz (absent)

Councilmember Beam Furr (in person)

Councilmember Steve Geller (virtually present)

Councilmember Cary Goldberg (virtually present)

Councilmember Samuel Kaufman (virtually present)

Councilmember Jordan Leonard (virtually present)

Councilmember Jean Monestime (absent)

Councilmember David Rice (absent)

Councilmember Greg Ross (in person)

Councilmember Michael Udine (virtually present)

Councilmember Ana M. Ziade (in person)

Isabel Cosio Carballo, SFRPC Executive Director, and Sam Goren, Legal Counsel, were present.

#### The following Ex-Officio Members were virtually present:

Laura Corry, representing the South Florida Water Management District

Shereen Yee Fong for Dat Huynh, representing the Florida Department of Transportation, District VI

#### The following Ex-Officio Member was not present:

Jason Andreotta, representing the Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Sam Goren, Legal Counsel updated the Councilmembers on the requirements for having a quorum and the Senate Bills. He stated that the meeting will be conducted as an Executive Committee Meeting. Councilmembers Bailey, Furr, Ross and Ziade were present. Chair Geller asked Councilmember Ziade to be a temporary Executive Committee Member so the meeting would have a quorum. She agreed.

#### II. Approval of Council Agenda

Councilmember Bailey moved to approve the Agenda. Councilmember Ross seconded the motion, which carried by a unanimous vote.

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#### III. Presentation (Time Certain: 11:45 a.m.)

Report on EDA CEDS Annual Report and Update – Opportunity Zones Mark Cassidy, MRP, SFRPC, Economic Development and GIS – Data Coordinator

#### IV. Action Items

#### A. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Councilmember Udine moved to approve the Minutes of the Previous Meeting. Councilmember Coldiron seconded the motion, which carried by a unanimous vote.

#### B. Financial Report

Finance Manager, Leo Braslavsky Soldi explained the Financial Report in detail.

Councilmember Udine moved to approve Agenda Item IV.B Financial Report. Councilmember Coldiron seconded the motion, which was carried by a unanimous vote.

#### C. Consent: Comprehensive Plan Amendment Reviews

#### Proposed

- Broward County 20-06ESR
- Town of Davie 20-02ESR
- Village of El Portal 20-01ESR
- City of Hallandale Beach 20-01ESR
- City of Homestead 20-02ESR
- City of Lauderdale Lakes 20-01ESR
- City of North Miami Beach 20-02ESR
- City of Oakland Park 20-02ESR
- City of Pembroke Pines 20-02ESR
- Town of Southwest Ranches 20-01ESR
- Town of Southwest Ranches 20-02ESR
- Town of Southwest Ranches 20-03ESR
- Town of Southwest Ranches 20-04ESR
- City of Sweetwater 20-01ESR
- City of Tamarac 20-01ESR

#### Adopted

- Broward County 20-03ESR
- Monroe County 20-04ACSC
- City of Doral 20-01ESR
- City of Doral 20-02ESR
- City of Hollywood 20-01ESR
- Islamorada, Village of Islands 20-02ACSC
- City of Margate 20-01ESR
- Village of Pinecrest 20-01ESR

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#### **Public Hearing**

There were no comments or questions from the public via email or virtually.

Councilmember Ross moved to approve Agenda Item IV.C Consent: Comprehensive Plan Amendment Review, Proposed. Councilmember Bailey seconded the motion, which carried by a unanimous vote.

Councilmember Udine moved to approve Agenda Item IV.C Consent: Comprehensive Plan Amendment Review, Adopted. Councilmember Coldiron seconded the motion, which carried by a unanimous vote.

D. Regional Issues: Comprehensive Plan Amendment Review - None

#### **Public Hearing**

There were no comments or questions from the public via email or virtually

- E. EDA CEDS Annual Report and Update (Time Certain: 11:45)
- F. <u>SFRPC Resolution 20-01 (2045 Regional Transportation Plan)</u>

Mrs. Cosio Carballo explained Resolution 20-01 which supports the SEFTC 2045 Regional Transportation Plan. This is an acknowledgment that the Council, among other regional stakeholders, supports the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan. Mr. Goren read the Resolution title for the record. Councilmember Furr, as a member of SEFTC, provided details on the 2045 Transportation Plan including that it is a collaborative effort of Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach counties; the Northeast Corridor, interoperability issues, regionalism, Brightline, and express buses.

Councilmember Furr moved to approve Agenda Item IV.F SFRPC Resolution 20-01 (2045 Regional Transportation Plan). Councilmember Ross seconded the motion, which carried by a unanimous vote.

#### **Public Comments - None**

G. TCSF Resolution 20-04 (Affordable Housing Trust Fund)

Mrs. Cosio Carballo explained that at the virtual Joint Meeting with the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council on October 16, 2020, Resolution 20-04, related to funding for affordable housing, was amended with a conceptual amendment that encouraged amending long-standing housing formulas. Pursuant to staff research and consultation with subject matter experts, TCRPC Councilmember Peter O'Bryan, the sponsor of the proposed amendment, and TCRPC Executive Director Tom Lanahan, request to withdraw the amendment in favor of the original resolution until the policy recommendation can be studied further and perhaps reconsidered in the future.

She stated that before the Councilmembers is the original TCSF Resolution 20-04 amendment. Chair Geller stated that the Council will now be in compliance with the other groups involved in this Resolution. Mr. Goren read the for the record the title of the TCSF Resolution 20-04. Councilmember Bailey thanked the Executive Director and staff for their due diligence.

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Councilmember Ross moved to approve Agenda Item IV.G TCSF Resolution 20-04 (Affordable Housing Trust Fund). Councilmember Leonard seconded the motion, which carried by a unanimous vote.

#### **Public Comments – None**

#### H. Nominating Committee

Chair Geller nominated Councilmember Coldiron and Councilmember Leonard to the Nominating Committee. They both agreed to serve in this capacity. As Chair, he will also be in attendance. Chair Geller noted that the Nominating Committee Meeting will be set in advance of the January 2021 Council Meeting to choose the Executive Committee vacancy. Chair Geller explained the current Executive Committee situation. Because he is the Mayor of Broward County, he cannot be Chair of the SFRPC in 2021. His intention is to revert back to 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair, Councilmember Bailey skip ahead, and the others follow in succession.

#### I. FRCA Policy Board Appointments

Mrs. Cosio Carballo explained the requirements for the Policy Board Appointments. Councilmember Bailey was previously appointed as a Miami-Dade County Appointee. Councilmember Geller nominated Councilmember Udine as a Broward County Appointee, and Councilmember Leonard as the Municipal Appointee. Both agreed and thanked Chair Geller. Councilmember Bailey agreed that he would be attending the January 8, 2021 Policy Board Meeting. Mrs. Cosio Carballo explained the Policy Board Meetings, social distancing attendance requirements, etc. Councilmember Bailey stated he enjoys the meetings because you can see what other RPCs around the State are involved in along with fresh ideas. He stated that the SFRPC is one of the top regions in the State due to our Council staffs' work. Councilmember Ross agreed to continue as an alternate Policy Board Member.

#### J. 2021 Proposed Meeting Dates

Mrs. Cosio Carballo presented the 2021 SFRPC Proposed Meeting dates and the new procedures regarding physical / virtual meetings. She is working with Tom Lanahan, TCRPC Executive Director, on Joint Meeting dates for 2021. Chair Geller stated that hopefully in 2022, the Council can move forward with larger, regional meetings.

#### **Public Comments – None**

#### V. Discussion Items

#### A. Executive Director's Report

Mrs. Cosio Carballo stated that November is very busy reporting month. She announced that Miss Alisha Lopez, has become the Clean Cities Coordinator along with serving as the RLF Coordinator. The Council has made a lot of progress in 2020. Chair Geller stated that Mrs. Cosio Carballo has done a great job considering the extremely difficult circumstances. She thanked him.

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#### B. Legal Counsel Report

Mr. Goren thanked everyone for their support during the last session to support the passage of SB 1398 which was adopted by the Florida Legislature. The Governor signed the Bill during the COVID 19 pandemic. There is nothing else to report. The RLF Status Report contains litigation information and there are no additional updates on litigations to report.

#### C. Councilmembers Report

Councilmember Bailey commented on the Council's social media presence, which has increased, and he commended Council staff. He suggested that the Councilmembers follow the SFRPC on Facebook, Twitter and/or Instagram. There is a lot of great information that is being shared. Mrs. Cosio Carballo commended Mrs. Jennie Sullivan, the Council's Communications & Social Media Coordinator, and Council staff for their efforts.

#### D. <u>Ex-Officio Reports</u>

Shereen Yee Fong, FDOT, District 6, updated the Council on the future meetings for the FDOT 2020 Work Program, location and times. She noted that the Draft Florida Transportation Plan Policy Element is posted for public comment located at Floridatransportationplan.com.

Laura Corry, South Florida Water Management District, stated that the SFWMD Governing Board will be meeting in December and the public is welcome via Zoom. She noted that there is more public participation with the Zoom meetings.

#### VI. Program Reports and Activities

#### A. SFRPC Revolving Loan Funds Status Report

Jeff Tart, Senior Loan Program Manager, presented the Revolving Loan Funds Status Report. He stated that the traditional RLF Program maintains approximately 28 existing loans totaling \$4.3 million with \$900,000 to lend to existing businesses not impacted by COVID. He thanked Miss Alisha Lopez for her hard work in promoting the RLF Program and her assistance of existing clients with any problems they may have due to COVID. The RLF Program has submitted the EDA Reports that are required.

#### B. SFRPC CARES Act RLF Status Report

Mr. Tart explained the funding award (\$5.3 million) in which more than \$2.7 million has already been approved for loans. This represents approximately 50% of the awarded grant monies, with over 130 prospects. EDA is very pleased with the Council's performance and that the CARES Act RLF Program is ahead of schedule. He reminded the Councilmembers that the monies need to be deployed within two years.

#### **III.** Guest Presentations:

Presentation (Time Certain: 11:45 a.m.)

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Report on EDA CEDS Annual Report and Update – Opportunity Zones Mark Cassidy, MRP, SFRPC, Economic Development and GIS – Data Coordinator

Mark Cassidy, MRP, SFRPC, Economic Development and GIS / Data Coordinator gave a presentation on the South Florida Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy 2017-2022 (CEDS) Annual Report. He explained the four EDA programs operated by the Economic Development Administration (EDA). These are the Economic Development District (EDD) Planning Grant / CEDS; SFRPC Revolving Loan Fund (RLF); EDA RLF CARES Act Program; and EDD CARES Economic Disaster Recovery Coordination. The South Florida Economic Development activities and agencies involved were mentioned. Mr. Cassidy explained the Annual Report and Update that incorporated the most recent data available for Asset Limited Income Constrained Employed (ALICE) households, unemployment rates, job loss, key economic indicators, poverty, educational attainment, and transportation modes. The Annual Update includes the 2019 Sea-Level Rise Unified Projections of the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact, and compared the economic progress achieved related to the CEDS before and after the ongoing economic impact of COVID-19. The Report also provided a preliminary analysis of the region's designated Opportunity Zones and surrounding major economic development assets. The preliminary analysis was presented to the SFRPC Council at the October 19, 2020 Council Meeting and posted for public comment for a 30-day period beginning October 27, 2020. The document for the 2020 CEDS Annual Report and Update can be found on the SFRPC website at https://sfregionalcouncil.org/portfolio-items/other-meeting-docs/ or https://sfregionalcouncil.org/portfolio-items/economic-dev-district-edd/

There was discussion on new information/resources given by the Councilmembers. Mr. Cassidy stated that he would include this information to the Report. Mrs. Cosio Carballo suggested that the Councilmembers should be part of the CEDS Committee. The Council will be updated on the Report's progress. Mayor Ziade suggested other agencies that can be used as a resource. Mr. Cassidy stated that they could discuss this after the meeting.

Councilmember Furr moved to approve Agenda Item IV.E EDA CEDS Annual Report and Update. Councilmember Ross seconded the motion, which carried by a unanimous vote.

#### **Public Comments - None**

#### VII. Announcements and Attachments

- A. <u>Attendance Form</u>
- B. Correspondence and Articles
- C. Upcoming Meetings
  - 1) October 16, 2020, 10:00 a.m., TBD (TCRPC/SFRPC Joint Meeting)
  - 2) November 23, 2020, 10:30 a.m. TBD (SFRPC, Hollywood)
  - 3) December (No Meeting Winter Recess)

#### VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:33 p.m.

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This signature is to attest that the undersigned is the Secretary of the SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL, and that the information provided herein is the true and correct minutes for the November 23, 2020 Meeting of the SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL adopted the 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021.

Quentin "Beam" Furr, Secretary
Date



#### **MEMORANDUM**

AGENDA ITEM #IV.B.2

DATE: JANUARY 25, 2021

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: FINANCIAL REPORT

Attached is a Financial Report comparing the months of October 2020 through December 2020 for your review and approval.

Recommendation

Approve the Financial Report.

#### SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

#### December 31, 2020

(unaudited)

	<u>(unaudited)</u>			
				Last month's Increase
	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20	(Decrease)
General Fund				
Assets:				
Cash	1,596,704	1,563,871	1,415,924	(147,947)
SBA- Investment Account	11,175	11,177	11,179	2
Accounts Receivable	5,260	5,260	5,260	-
Due from Fed, State & Local Projects	309,268	298,493	383,077	84,584
Prepaid Expenses/Deposits	15,477	15,477	15,477	-
Total Assets	1,937,884	1,894,278	1,830,917	(63,361)
Liabilities and Fund Balance:				
Liabilities	67,138	59,729	60,952	1,224
Fund Balance	1,870,747	1,834,549	1,769,965	(64,585)
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	1,937,885	1,894,278	1,830,917	(63,361)
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Federal, State, and Local Projects				
Assets:				
Accounts Receivable	11,807	27,463	53,086	25,622
Total Assets	11,807	27,463	53,086	25,622
Liabilities and Fund Balance:				
Liabilities	16,838	16,838	16,838	_
Due to General Fund	309,268	298,493	383,077	84,584
Fund Balance	(314,299)	(287,868)	(346,829)	(58,962)
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	11,807	27,463	53,086	25,622
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Revolving Loan Funds				
Assets:				
Cash and Money Market	2,853,621	2,853,592	4,352,776	1,499,184
Receivables	5,342,953	5,381,027	5,368,144	(12,884)
Allowance for Loan Losses	(1,227,427)			(12,001)
		(1.227.437)	(1.227.437)	_
Total Assets	6,969,146	(1,227,437) 7,007,182	(1,227,437) 8,493,483	1,486,300
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Total Assets Liabilities and Fund Balance:	6,969,146	7,007,182	8,493,483	
Total Assets  Liabilities and Fund Balance:  Liabilities	6,969,146 757,957	7,007,182 797,019	8,493,483 789,781	(7,238)
Total Assets  Liabilities and Fund Balance:  Liabilities  Fund Balance	6,969,146 757,957 6,211,190	7,007,182 797,019 6,210,163	789,781 7,703,702	(7,238) 1,493,539
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#### SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

#### December 31, 2020

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<u>Description</u>	O-4-20	Nov. 20	Dec 20	Fiscal Year	%	Annual	%	Remaining
<del></del>	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20	to Date	Realized	Budget	of Budget	Budget
REVENUE REPORT	Φ OE1 DE4	\$ 13,070	\$ -	\$ 864,323	100%	\$ 864,323	33%	¢
Membership Fees	\$ 851,254			, , , , , ,				
Interest & Other Income	76	122	122	321	5%	5,900	0%	5,579
Local Funded Projects	9,098	33,933	474	43,506	20%	221,700	8%	178,194
Federal Funded Projects	39,570	48,519	56,004	144,093	16%	907,313	35%	763,220
State Funded Projects	-	29,967	-	29,967	36%	83,027	3%	53,060
Trust Funds	35,076	37,599	17,314	89,989	16%	545,700	21%	455,711
TOTAL Revenues	935,074	163,210	73,914	1,172,198	45%	2,627,963	100%	1,455,765
EXPENSE REPORT								
Operating Expenses								
Staff Compensation	\$127,436	\$104,905	\$155,170	\$387,512	30%	1,292,861	49%	\$ 905,349
Occupancy Cost	7,853	7,853	7,853	23,559	26%	91,200	3%	67,641
Utilities Electric/Sanitation	363	55	265	683	14%	5,000	0%	4,317
Janitorial Services	552	1,082	599	2,233	27%	8,295	0%	6,062
Repairs & Maintenance	-	_	-	_	0%	3,897	0%	3,897
Storage	-	952	476	1,428	29%	5,000	0%	3,572
Office Automation	6,326	3,548	7,560	17,434	22%	80,000	3%	62,566
Advertising, Notices, Supplies, Postage	1,079	2,202	1,990	5,271	34%	15,500	1%	10,229
Travel	, -	_	-	-	0%	10,000	0%	10,000
Professional Development	5,125	1,107	150	6,382	21%	30,000	1%	23,618
Insurance	_	_	7,258	7,258	25%	28,783	1%	21,525
Miscellaneous Expenses	_	1,280	-	1,280	26%	5,000	0%	3,720
Legal Services (1)	(634)	-	_	(634)		30,000	1%	30,634
Financial Services	276	404	925	1,605	3%	46,300	2%	44,695
Professional Consultants	34	77	834	944	8%	12,572	0%	11,627
Capital Expenditures	_	-	-	-	0%	95,000	4%	95,000
Subtotal Operating Expenses	148,412	123,465	183,078	454,955	26%	1,759,408	67%	1,304,453
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Pass Through Expenses:	36,537 <b>184,949</b>	37,172 <b>160,638</b>	2,853,592	580,566	25%	572,483 <b>2,331,891</b>	89%	446,872 <b>1,751,325</b>
TOTAL Expenses	101,515	100,000	_,000,00	200,200	20 70	2,001,031	0370	1,701,020
OTHER REVENUES								
Recovery of Bad Debt- Brownfields	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	_	
Excess (deficit) Revenues							_	
over Expenditures	\$ 750,125	\$ 2,572	\$(2,779,678)	\$ 591,632		\$ 296,072		
RLF CARES Act Funding	\$ 855,000	\$ 85,000	\$ 1,433,780	\$ 2,373,780	45%	5,318,000	Total RLF	CARES Gran
(1) Additional legal YTD expenses included in "pass-through Expenses" \$24,794								
Note: Percentage of Fiscal Year lapsed	25.00%							



#### **MEMORANDUM**

AGENDA ITEM #IV.C

DATE: JANUARY 25, 2021

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PROPOSED AND ADOPTED AMENDMENT

**CONSENT AGENDA** 

Pursuant to the 1974 Interlocal Agreement creating the South Florida Regional Planning Council (Council), 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."

In fulfillment of the Interlocal Agreement directive and its duties under State law, the Council reviews local government Comprehensive Plan amendments for consistency with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida (SRPP)*. Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statues as presently in effect, Council review of comprehensive plan amendments is limited to 1) adverse effects on regional resources and facilities identified in the 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 of Council's evaluation 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.

#### Recommendation

Find the proposed and adopted plan amendments from the local governments listed in the tables below generally consistent with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan for South Florida*.

Approve this report for transmittal to the local governments with a copy to the State Land Planning Agency.



#### **PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**

Local Government and Plan Amendment Number	Proposed	Adopted	Council Review Date	Local Government Transmittal or Adoption Public Hearing and Meeting
Broward County 20-08ESR (received 12-0-20)	<b>√</b>	N/A	01-25-21	12-01-20

- 1. The proposed amendments include one amendment to the Broward County Land Use Plan (BCLUP) Natural Resource Map Series, which updates the Priority Planning Areas for Sea Level Rise. It also includes two amendments to the BCLUP text, one of which is concurrent with proposed City of Pompano Beach Future Land Use Text Amendment #20-04ESR relating to the Pompano Beach John Knox Village Activity Center. The other text amendment revises the Climate Change Resilience Vision Strategy for consistency with the concurrent map amendment.
- 2. The amendments affect Broward County.
- 3. The amendments do not create any adverse impacts to state or regional resources/facilities.

City of Miami				
20-02ESR				
(received 11-16-20)	$\checkmark$	N/A	01-25-21	10-22-20
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- 1. The proposed amendment to the Miami Comprehensive Neighborhood Plan (MCNP) Future Land Use Map changes the land use designation of 537 parcels to allow for increased density, which reflects a Community Vision Plan that was produced from a yearlong consensus building process. The land use designation would change as follows for the approximate number of parcels and acres.
  - 287 parcels (40.6 acres) would change from Duplex Residential to High Density Multifamily Residential.
  - 12 parcels (1.8 acres) would change from Duplex Residential to Restricted Commercial.
  - 6 parcels (1.6 acres) would change from Low Density Restricted Commercial to Restricted Commercial.
  - 9 parcels (.6 acres) would change from Medium Density Multifamily Residential to High Density Multifamily Residential.
  - 36 parcels (4.8 acres) would change from Medium Density Multifamily Residential to Restricted Commercial.
  - 3 parcels (.4 acres) from Medium Density Multifamily Residential to General Commercial.
  - 112 parcels (22.4 acres) from Medium Density Restricted Commercial to Restricted Commercial.
  - 47 parcels (9.2 acres) from Medium Density Restricted Commercial to General Commercial.
  - 21 parcels (3.2 acres) from Restricted Commercial to General Commercial.
  - 4 parcels (3 acres) from Major Institutional, Public Facilities, Transportation and Utilities to General Commercial.
- 2. The amendment affects approximately 87.6 acres in total in the Wynwood Norte area, located in the southeast corner of I-95 and I-195 in the City of Miami.
- 3. The amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities. Council supports addressing the multi-modal community needs, with a high priority on bicycle and pedestrian safety and connectivity. Council also notes that the City's Water Supply Facilities Work Plan is overdue for an update and recommends coordination with the South Florida Water Management District.

Local Government and Plan Amendment Number	Proposed	Adopted	Council Review Date	Local Government Transmittal or Adoption Public Hearing and Meeting
North Bay Village 20-01ESR (received 12-08-20)	<b>√</b>	N/A	01-25-21	11-23-20

- 1. The proposed amendment revises the future land use element (FLUE) of the North Bay Village's Comprehensive Plan to provide consistency with the Village-wide master plan known as NBV100. The master plan encourages resilient and sustainable mixed-use redevelopment that will be implemented through a form-based zoning code, which was developed through a series of charettes.
- 2. This amendment affects the incorporated area of North Bay Village.
- 3. This amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities. Council notes that the City's Water Supply Facilities Work Plan is overdue for an update and recommends coordination with the South Florida Water Management District. Also, the Florida Department of Transportation District has advised that the envisioned lane repurposing along Kennedy Causeway requires coordination with the District.

City of				
Pompano Beach				
20-04ESR	$\checkmark$	N/A	01-25-21	06-23-20
(received 12-08-20)				

- 1. The proposed amendment revises the text of the City of Pompano Beach's Comprehensive Plan to remove the unit type restrictions, reduce the amount of commercial use, and add office use designation to the mix of uses permitted in the Local Activity Center (LAC). The changes will have the net effect of adding 96,000 square feet of office use designation and reducing commercial use designation by 27,700 square feet on approximately 65 acres.
- 2. This amendment affects the City of Pompano Beach in an area containing John Knox Village, a seniors' community situated on the east side of I-95, west of Dixie Road and south of Race Track Road/SW 3 Street/Pompano Park Place.
- 3. This amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities.

#### ADOPTED AMENDMENTS

Local Government and Plan Amendment Number	Proposed	Adopted	Council Review Date	Local Government Transmittal or Adoption Public Hearing and Meeting
Broward County 20-04ESR (received 11-16-20)	N/A	<b>√</b>	01-25-21	11-10-20

- 1. The adopted amendment to Broward County's Comprehensive Plan Land Use Plan map (PC 20-6) for a 16.3-acre parcel from Commerce to Irregular (4.2) Residential.
- 2. The affected area is Broward County.
- 3. This amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities.
- 4. The Council previously reviewed this amendment when proposed.

Broward County				
20-07ESR (Proposed				
	N1 / A	,	04.25.24	12.01.20
as 20-04ESR)	N/A	✓	01-25-21	12-01-20
(received 12-07-20)				

- 1. The adopted amendment to the Broward County Comprehensive Plan revises the adopted data and methodology for local governments to include an estimate of its affordable housing supply, including evaluating supply for very low-, low-, and moderate-income categories.
- 2. The affected area is Broward County.
- 3. This amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities.
- 4. The Council previously reviewed this amendment when proposed.

Miami-Dade County				
20-03ESR				
(received 11-30-20)	N/A	✓	01-25-21	10-21-20

- 1. The adopted amendment to Miami-Dade County's Comprehensive Development Master Plan Land Use Plan re-designates approximately 10.59 acres west of SW 132 Avenue, between SW 234 Street and SW 236 Street from "Estate Density Residential (1 to 2.5 DU/Ac.)" to "Industrial and Office."
- 2. The amendment affects the 10.59 acres in Miami-Dade County described above.
- The amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities.
- 4. The Council did not review this amendment when proposed.

Miami-Dade County				
20-04ER (proposed				
w/ 20-02ER	N/A	✓	01-25-21	10-21-20
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21-20)				

Local Government and Plan Amendment Number	Proposed	Adopted	Council Review Date	Local Government Transmittal or Adoption Public Hearing and Meeting
(received 11-23-20)				

- 1. The adopted amendment to Miami-Dade County's Comprehensive Development Master Plan (CDMP) amends the CDMP in the following ways:
  - Amends the Land Use Element to enable the Transfer of Development Rights programs, require
    preservation of agricultural land in connection with applications proposing expansion of the Urban
    Development Boundary, provide for the cluster of allowable residential density in the Agricultural area,
    amend text related to agriculturally-supportive uses, delete CDMP text that allows for the creation of lots
    smaller than five acres under specified circumstances, and allow for commercial vehicle storage in
    specified areas.
  - Amends the Land Use Plan Map to depict SW 217 Avenue from SW 344 Street to SW 392 Street as a
    "Minor Roadway," change the designation for the Rocky Glades and Frog Pond areas from "Agriculture"
    to "Environmental Protection," and add "Rural Centers" within 660' of the intersections of Krome Avenue
    and SW 272 Street, SW 248 Street, SW 232 Street, and SW 200 Street.
- 2. The amendment affects agricultural land in Miami-Dade County.
- The amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities.
- 4. The Council previously reviewed the amendment when proposed.

City of Coral Gables				
20-01ESR				
(received 12-08-20)	N/A	✓	01-25-21	11-10-20

- 1. The adopted amendments to the City of Coral Gables' Comprehensive Plan text and Future Land Use Map (FLUM) provide for a "Design & Innovation District." The proposed amendments also revise the text of the following areas of the City of Coral Gables Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Element: A) Policy FLU-1.1.3, "Table FLU-2 Commercial Land Uses;" B) Policy FLU-1.1.4, "Table FLU-3. Industrial Land Use;" and C) Policy FLU-1.1.5, "Table FLU-4. Mixed-Use Land use" to amend the "Commercial Low-Rise Intensity," "Commercial Mid-Rise Intensity," "Commercial High-Rise Intensity," "Industrial," and Mixed-Use Overlay Districts" Land Use classifications to provide for a maximum density for mixed-use buildings and a maximum height in the Design & Innovation District. The proposed amendments also include a new Policy FLU 1.9.4. to provide development strategies for the new "Design & Innovation District."
- 2. These amendments affect the area within incorporated Coral Gables bound by US1, SW 42 Ave, SW 40 St, Ponce De Leon Road, and San Lorenzo Ave.
- 3. These amendments do not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities.
- 4. The Council previously reviewed these amendments when proposed.

Local Government and Plan Amendment Number	Proposed	Adopted	Council Review Date	Local Government Transmittal or Adoption Public Hearing and Meeting
City of Fort Lauderdale 20-02ESR (received 12-04-20)	N/A	<b>√</b>	01-25-21	11-17-20

- 1. The adopted amendments to the City of Fort Lauderdale's Comprehensive Plan are as a result of an Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR) process and include changes to the Future Land Use Element, Housing Element, General Sanitary Sewer, Solid Waste, Drainage, Potable Water, and Natural Groundwater Recharge Element as incorporated in the Infrastructure Element, Coastal Management Element, Conservation Element, Intergovernmental Coordination Element, Capital Improvements Element, Transportation and Mobility Element, Parks and Recreation Element, Historic Preservation Element, and Public School Facilities Element. It also provides for the addition of an Urban Design Element, Climate Change Element and Economic Development Element. The changes essentially create an updated Comprehensive Plan for the City of Fort Lauderdale, with the intent of supporting vibrant communities through mixed-use, transit-oriented land use, a multimodal mobility network, infrastructure that is resilient to climate change and sea level rise, and intergovernmental coordination.
- 2. These amendments affect the City of Fort Lauderdale.
- 3. These amendments do not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities.
- 4. The Council previously reviewed this amendment when proposed. The Council offered technical assistance comments at that time and recommended continued coordination with the Council, Department of Economic Opportunity, South Florida Water Management District, and Florida Department of Transportation, District Four, to assist in addressing them.

Town of Golden				
Beach				
20-01ESR	N/A	$\checkmark$	01-25-21	11-24-20
(received 12-15-20)				

- 1. The adopted amendment to the Town of Golden Beach's Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use and Recreation and Open Space Elements allows for public uses and facilities on parks and recreation land in excess of adopted levels of service. The amendment does not propose a change in levels of service or re-designate the lands.
- 2. The amendment affects parks and recreation land in the Town of Golden Beach.
- 3. The amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities.
- 4. The Council previously reviewed the amendment when proposed.

City of Hialeah				
20-01ESR				
(received 11-16-20)	N/A	✓	01-25-21	11-10-20

- 1. The adopted amendment to the City of Hialeah's large-scale Land Use Map consists of a land use change of approximately 28.3 acres of land located north of West 71 Street, between Red Road and West 6 Avenue from Kennels to Medium Density Residential.
- 2. The amendment affects the property at 7218 W 4 Avenue in the City of Hialeah.

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City of Homestead 20-02ESR					
(received 12-28-20)	N/A	✓	01-25-21	12-16-20	
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20-03ACSC (received 12-08-20)	N/A	✓	01-25-21	11-10-20	
(FLUM) designation of a 2. This amendment affe Subdivision of Key Vaca, 3. This amendment do recommends that the C	<ol> <li>The adopted amendment to the City of Marathon's Comprehensive Plan amends the Future Land Use Map (FLUM) designation of a single property from Residential Medium (RM) to Mixed Use Commercial (MU-C).</li> <li>This amendment affects an approximately 0.19-acre property described as Block 3 Lot 9 in the Key Colony Subdivision of Key Vaca, Marathon.</li> <li>This amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities. The Council recommends that the City updates its Water Supply Facilities Work Plan.</li> <li>The Council previously reviewed this amendment when proposed.</li> </ol>				
City of Miami 20-01ESR (received 12-23-20)	N/A	✓	01-25-21	12-10-20	
<ol> <li>The adopted amendment to the City of Miami's Comprehensive Plan will allow hotels/motels in the Industrial Land Use (I) category, subject to the conditions of the applicable land development regulations, up to 65 units per acre. Any such use would have to meet the level of service requirements in the City's concurrency management system.</li> <li>This amendment affects the areas within the City of Miami that are designated Industrial Land Use (I).</li> <li>This amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities.</li> <li>The Council previously reviewed this amendment when proposed.</li> </ol>					
City of Oakland Park					

Local Government and Plan Amendment Number	Proposed	Adopted	Council Review Date	Local Government Transmittal or Adoption Public Hearing and Meeting
20-01ESR (received 12-16-20)	N/A	✓	01-25-21	10-08-20

- 1. The adopted amendment to the City of Oakland Park's Comprehensive Plan updates Section 10 Land Use Implementation: Section 3 "Zoning as to Permitted Uses and Densities" to include new language related to Civic & Cultural Buildings and Community Facilities and/or Utility Uses. The Parks & Recreation Future Land Use designation category is also being updated to accommodate the future needs of the City, and to be consistent with the Broward County Land Use Plan, BrowardNext.
- 2. This amendment affects the incorporated area of the City of Oakland Park.
- 3. This amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities.
- 4. The Council previously reviewed this amendment when proposed.

City of Parkland				
20-01ESR				
(received 12-04-20)	N/A	$\checkmark$	01-25-21	12-08-20

- 1. The adopted amendment to the City of Parkland's Comprehensive Plan Infrastructure Element adopts the City's 10-year Water Supply Facilities Work Plan Update and amends the City's Comprehensive Plan Infrastructure Element to include the provisions required for the water supply plan update.
- 2. The amendment affects the incorporated area of the City of Parkland.
- 3. The amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities.
- 4. The Council previously reviewed this amendment when proposed.

City of Plantation				
20-01ESR				
(received 12-01-20)	N/A	✓	01-25-21	10-21-20
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- 1. The adopted amendment to the City of Plantation's Comprehensive Plan seeks to update the Comprehensive Plan to incorporate the 10-Year Water Supply Facilities Work Plan. The amendment will update the Potable Water Sub-Element of the Infrastructure Element, and the Conservation Element.
- 2. The amendment affects the City of Plantation.
- 3. The amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities.
- 4. The Council previously reviewed this amendment when proposed.

City of Pompano				
Beach				
20-01ESR	N/A	✓	01-25-21	10-27-20
(received 11-18-20)				

Local Government and Plan Amendment Number	Proposed	Adopted	Council Review Date	Local Government Transmittal or Adoption Public Hearing and Meeting
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- 1. The adopted amendment to the City of Pompano Beach's Comprehensive Plan is a text amendment that increases the residential entitlements for the Downtown Pompano Transit Oriented Corridor (TOC) while trading off some commercial space to reduce the trip impacts. The text amendment will result in a net increase in entitlements of 2,000 residential units and 120 hotel rooms. The commercial use allowed will be reduced by 336,000 square feet.
- 2. The amendment affects the designated Downtown Pompano TOC, generally bound on the north by NW 6 Street/NW 6 Court, on the south by Atlantic Boulevard/SW 2 Street, on the east by NE 5 Avenue and on the west by NW 10 Avenue.
- 3. This amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities. The Pompano Beach initiative aims to create a vibrant, downtown transit-oriented corridor and is supportive of the regional Mobility and Livability policy goals of the Council.
- 4. The Council previously reviewed this amendment when proposed.

City of Pompano				
Beach				
20-02ESR	N/A	✓	01-25-21	10-27-20
(received 11-18-20)				

- 1. The adopted 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.
- 2. The amendments affect the City of Pompano Beach.
- 3. These amendments do not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities.
- 4. The Council previously reviewed these amendments when proposed and provided technical assistance comments.

City of Pompano				
Beach				
20-03ESR	N/A	✓	01-25-21	10-27-20
(received 11-18-20)				

- 1. The adopted amendment to the City of Pompano Beach's Comprehensive Plan amends the land use entitlements of the LIVE! Resorts Pompano Beach Regional Activity Center (RAC) to allow for an industrial park, reducing the Office land use from 2 million square feet to 1.35 million square feet, including Industrial land use of 1.5 million square feet, whereas it was originally not permitted.
- 2. This amendment affects the LIVE! Resorts Pompano Beach RAC, consisting of the Pompano Beach Racetrack and adjacent property, located south of Racetrack Road, between Powerline Road and the CSX Railroad, and comprises approximately 230 gross acres.
- 3. The amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities.
- 4. The Council previously reviewed this amendment when proposed and provided technical assistance comments.

Local Government and Plan Amendment Number	Proposed	Adopted	Council Review Date	Local Government Transmittal or Adoption Public Hearing and Meeting
Village of Virginia Gardens				
20-01ESR	N/A		01-25-21	05-21-20
(received 11-12-20)	,,,	<b>v</b>	32 23 24	33 11 20

- 1. The adopted amendment to the Village of Virginia Gardens' Comprehensive Plan updates the 10-Year Water Supply Facilities Work Plan to strengthen coordination between water supply and local land use planning. The amendment includes updates to the Objectives and Policies found within the Future Land Use Element (FLUE) of the Comprehensive Plan to ensure consistency with the 10-Year Water Supply Facilities Work Plan Update.
- 2. The amendment affects the Village of Virginia Gardens.
- 3. The amendment does not create any adverse impact to state or regional resources/facilities.
- 4. The Council previously reviewed this amendment when proposed.



AGENDA ITEM # IV.E.

DATE: JANUARY 25, 2021

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT / ELECTION OF OFFICERS

In January of each year the Council Board elects its Executive Committee following the recommendation of the Nominating Committee. The current members of the Executive Committee are:

Chair – Steve Geller (Broward County)
First Vice Chair - Vacant
Second Vice Chair – Mario Bailey (Governor's Appointee – Miami-Dade County)
Treasurer – Samuel Kaufman, (Monroe County – Municipal)
Secretary – Quentin "Beam" Furr, Secretary
Immediate Past-Chair – Mayor Greg Ross (Broward County – Municipal)

The Nominating Committee convened on January 21, 2021 to develop recommendations for presentation to the Council on January 25<sup>th</sup> in order to fill any vacancies. According to the Council's Statement of Organization, the Nominating Committee will make recommendations for the following positions: Chair, First Vice Chair, Second Vice Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary.

A current list of the Councilmembers is provided herewith for easy reference.

#### Recommendation

Ratify the slate of Council Officers for 2021.

## SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL COUNCILMEMBERS, EX OFFICIOS January 2021

Steve Geller (Chair), Mayor, Broward County Mario J. Bailey, (Second Vice Chair), Governor's Appointee Miami-Dade County Samuel Kaufman, (Treasurer), Commissioner, Key West Beam Furr, (Secretary), Commissioner, Broward County Greg Ross (Immediate Past Chair), Mayor, Cooper City Patricia T. Asseff, Governor's Appointee Broward County Michelle Coldiron, Mayor, Monroe County Joseph Corradino, Mayor, Village of Pinecrest Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Chair, Miami-Dade County Cary Goldberg, Governor's Appointee Broward County Jorden Leonard, Council Member, Bay Harbor Islands Jean Monestime, Commissioner, Miami-Dade County David Rice, Commissioner, Monroe County Michael Udine, Vice Mayor, Broward County Ana M. Ziade, Mayor, North Lauderdale Isabel Cosio Carballo, Executive Director Sam Goren, Legal Counsel

**Ex Officio Members** 

Jason Andreotta, Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Laura Corry, South Florida Water Management District

Dat Huynh, Florida Department of Transportation, District Six



# South Florida Regional Planning Council Statement of Organization

January 2020

## 4.0 Membership, Voting and Term of Office

- (1) Broward County and Miami-Dade County shall each be represented by three (3) elected official members, and Monroe County shall be represented by two (2) elected official members. All members shall be selected from the respective elective governing body.
- (2) Monroe County, in addition to the membership in (1), shall be entitled to one (1) elected official member to serve on the Council. Broward and Miami-Dade counties, in addition to the membership in (1) shall be entitled to two (2) elected official members to serve on the Council. Such members shall be elected officials of general purpose municipal government appointed by the member government.
- (3) The Governor of the State of Florida shall appoint a maximum of six (6) voting members. Each county in the Region shall be represented by a minimum of one (1) appointment by the Governor.
- (4) The names of all Council Members shall be recorded in the Council minutes.
- (5) For the conduct of all business, each Council Member shall have one (1) equal vote.
- (6) The basic term of office for Council Members appointed by the Governor shall be for two (2) years commencing with the January meeting in a year. All appointed representatives shall be eligible for reappointment. This section shall not be construed to limit the authority or ability of governmental, collegial bodies to change their appointments to the Council.
- (7) Council Members shall serve two-year staggered terms, and shall serve until their replacement is appointed.
- (8) It is the express purpose and intent of this Statement of Organization that the composition of Council Members reflects the diversity in the community of South Florida and that appointments made by the Governor, by principal member units and member governments shall, in all instances, embrace the multi-cultural, multi-ethnic, multi-lingual and multi-racial environment of South Florida.
- (9) No Council Member may serve more than five (5), consecutive two-year (2) terms.

## 5.0 Vacancies

Any vacancy in membership shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the initial appointment.

## 6.0 Removal from Office

Should a Council Member have three (3) consecutive, unexcused absences from regular meetings or miss more than one-half of the regularly scheduled meetings in a calendar year without providing the Council a justifiable reason for the absence in writing, the Secretary shall so advise the appropriate member government, or the Governor, and request another appointment. Justifiable reasons shall be defined as:

- (a) Sickness:
- (b) Disability;

- (c) Temporary absence from the jurisdiction;
- (d) Excused absence by the Chair or the Executive Director; or
- (e) Required attendance at another public meeting or hearing called pursuant to Chapter 286, Florida Statutes, as amended from time to time.

Members may be removed from the Council by the authority which made the appointment only after written notice of such action has been given to the Council.

## 7.0 Officers, Term of Office and Duties

- (1) The regular January meeting shall be the annual meeting of the Council and shall be for the purpose of electing the new officers and conducting such other business as may come before the members. The Council shall elect from its membership the following officers: Chair, First Vice-Chair, Second Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. It is the express intent of this provision that at all times there shall be a balanced representation among the member governments and governor's appointees as members of the Executive Committee so that there is at least one (1) county or municipal representative from each County. Each member so elected shall serve for one (1) year or until reelected or a successor is elected. It is the intent of the Council that Executive Committee Members shall be advanced in his/her respective positions each year, so long as such Council Member continues to serve as an appointed member, from Secretary to Treasurer, Treasurer to Second Vice-Chair, Second Vice-Chair to First Vice-Chair, First Vice-Chair to Chair, in that order.
- (2) The newly elected officers shall be declared installed following their election and shall assume the duties of office.
  - (a) The Chair shall be responsible for overseeing the organization of the work of the Council; for seeing that all policies of the Council are carried out; for signing any contract or other instrument which the Council deems in its interest; and for presiding over all Council meetings. The Chair, or a designated Council Member, shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.
  - (b) The First Vice-Chair shall act in the Chair's absence or inability to act. The First Vice-Chair shall perform such other functions as may be assigned by the Chair or the Council.
  - (c) The Second Vice-Chair shall act in the Chair's and First Vice-Chair's absence or inability to act. The Second Vice-Chair shall perform such other functions as may be assigned by the Chair or the Council.
  - (d) The Treasurer shall be responsible for general oversight of the financial affairs of the Council and such other duties as may be assigned by the Chair or the Council.
  - (e) The Secretary shall be responsible for minutes for the meeting, keeping the roll of members, and such other duties as may be assigned by the Chair or the Council.
- (3) (a) There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the Chair, First Vice-Chair, Second Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and the most recent Past Chair still in continuous service on the

- Council. If there is no most recent Past Chair still in continuous service, the Executive Committee shall be comprised of five (5) members.
- (b) The Executive Committee shall act for and on behalf of the Council and shall take such action as may reasonably be necessary to fulfill the duties, functions and responsibilities of the Council as if a quorum were present. It is the intention of the Council that other members present at a Council meeting where a quorum is not present and where the Executive Committee shall act for and on behalf of the Council, shall be permitted to fully participate in the proceedings and matters then pending before the Council or the Executive Committee.
- (c) Where, in the opinion of the Chair of the Executive Committee, an emergency situation exists, the Executive Committee may convene at the principle office of the Council, and act in response to the emergency situation. For purposes of this section, an "emergency situation" is defined as an event which is, unforeseen, unexpected, or time sensitive, in which there is not sufficient time for the full Council to meet, or is a sudden or unforeseen natural or manmade event that necessitates immediate action for and on behalf of the Council. An emergency situation is not a self-created matter by a member or members of the Council. Any meeting and action taken by the Executive Committee in response to the declared emergency situation shall be ratified by the Council at the next regular meeting.

## 8.0 Meetings

- (1) The annual election of officers shall be held during the January meeting in each year.
- (2) There shall be a Nominating Committee which shall consist of the Immediate Past Chair in addition to two other members of the Council who shall be selected by the Chair not later than December prior to the January meeting at which the annual election of officers shall be conducted. No two (2) members of the Nominating Committee shall reside in the same County. If there is no immediate Past Chair, the Chair shall appoint an additional member.
- (3) Regular meetings shall be held on the days and times established by the Council.
- (4) Special meetings may be called by the Chair at his/her discretion or shall be called when requested by members from two-thirds of the principal member units. Legal Adequate notice shall be given to all Council Members stating the date, hour, and place of the meeting and the purpose for which such meeting is called, and no other business shall be transacted at that meeting. Furthermore, the Executive Director and/or his/her designee shall notify the applicable media within the South Florida Region and shall comply with the applicable provisions of Chapter 286, Florida Statutes, as amended from time to time. However, if a determination to hold a special meeting is reflected upon the record of any Council meeting, no additional notice is necessary.
- (5) The place and time of each regular meeting shall be determined by the membership prior to the adjournment of the previous meeting. In the absence of such determination, the time and place of the meeting(s) shall be determined by the Chair. The Council may establish a regular meeting time and place, in which case no special action by either the Council or the Chair is required, provided the meeting is to be held at the regular time and place.



#### AGENDA ITEM # IV.F.

DATE: JANUARY 25, 2021

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION 21-01 / SB 62 REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Attached for your consideration is Draft Resolution 21-01 opposing elimination of statutory authorization for regional planning councils in Florida as proposed by Senate Bill 62, introduced by Senator Jennifer Bradley.

Recommendation: Ratify Resolution 21-01





#### **RESOLUTION #21-01**

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL REPRESENTING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS OF MIAMI-DADE, BROWARD, AND MONROE COUNTIES, FLORIDA; OPPOSING ELIMINATION OF STATUTORY AUTHORIZATION FOR REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS IN FLORIDA AS PROPOSED IN SENATE BILL 62 OR SIMILAR PROPOSED LEGISLATION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS,** the South Florida Regional Planning Council is a regional public policy and planning agency representing the geographic area of Miami-Dade, Broward, and Monroe counties; municipalities contained therein, and more than 4.8 million residents; and

WHEREAS, the Council Board consists of county and municipal elected officials, gubernatorial appointees, and ex-officio representatives representing the South Florida Water Management District, Florida Department of Transportation, and Florida Department of Environmental Protection; and

**WHEREAS,** the Council is a multi-purpose regional governmental entity with policy responsibilities in the areas of affordable housing, economic development, emergency preparedness, energy, regional health, natural resources, urban planning, and regional transportation; and

WHEREAS, for more than five decades Regional Planning Councils have served the public as Florida's only multipurpose regional entities that coordinate intergovernmental solutions to multijurisdictional issues identified by their member local governments; and

WHEREAS, the 67 counties in the state are divided into 10 Regional Planning Councils which perform functions in Economic Development, Transportation, Emergency Preparedness, Regional Convening, Brownfields Assessment and Remediation, Coral Reef Restoration, and Resilience to the extent and as directed by their member counties, cities, and gubernatorial appointees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Regional Planning Councils compete for and bring to Florida millions of dollars in federal funds for Economic Development, Transportation, Emergency Preparedness, and Resiliency initiatives that would otherwise go to other states; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Planning Councils receive no regular general appropriation for operation from the State and, instead, are supported by Federal grant funds, local dues, local contracts, and State contracts for specific programs implemented on behalf of the State; and

WHEREAS, Regional Planning Councils no longer have any regulatory authority and are no longer involved in Developments of Regional Impact (DRIs); and

**WHEREAS,** Regional Planning Councils serve a critical role in hazardous material response coordination and training through the Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs) operated by each Council; and

**WHEREAS,** Regional Planning Councils regularly assist state agencies in implementing their statutory duties and legislative directives, along with coordinating these duties and directives with local input, at no charge to the State; and

**WHEREAS,** proposed Senate Bill 62 will remove authorization and all references to Regional Planning Councils from the Florida Statutes, depriving the people of the State of the important work the councils perform and the federal funds they bring into Florida.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL THAT:

**Section 1.** The Legislature is urged not to pass Senate Bill 62 unless it is modified to no longer remove Regional Planning Councils from the Florida Statutes; and

**Section 2.** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption hereof.

**DULY ADOPTED** by the South Florida Regional Planning Council this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021.

Steve Geller, Chair	Isabel Cosio Carballo, MPA
Mayor, Broward County	Executive Director





DATE: JANUARY 25, 2021

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: CEDS COMMITTEE - COUNCIL APPOINTMENT

The state's ten regional planning councils are U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) designated Economic Development Districts. As such, one of the Council's responsibilities is the development of the South Florida Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). The South Florida CEDS is a roadmap to diversify and strengthen the regional economy of Broward, Miami-Dade, and Monroe Counties.

The South Florida CEDS is updated every five years. Last adopted in November 2017, in 2021 Council staff will convene and coordinate a locally based, regionally driven economic development planning process designed to engage community leaders, leverage the involvement of the private sector, and establish a strategic blueprint for regional collaboration. The CEDS provides the capacity-building foundation by which the public sector, working in conjunction with other economic actors (individuals, firms, industries), creates the environment for regional economic prosperity.

In 2011, the regional planning councils realigned their CEDS framework to mirror the Florida Chamber Foundation's Six Pillars of Florida's Future Economy for the 2012 update. The Six Pillars are Talent Supply & Education; Innovation & Economic Development; Infrastructure & Growth Leadership; Business Climate & Competitiveness; Civic & Governance Systems; and Quality of Life & Place. The regional CEDS strategies for the communities and businesses of South Florida are designed to guide federal and state investment priorities and funding sources, delineate lead organizations' responsibilities for execution of the CEDS, while bringing together public and private sector leaders and decision-makers.

A primary goal of the 2022 CEDS update is to further economic diversity and resiliency to accelerate South Florida's economic recovery from the impacts of coronavirus and future emergencies. New to the CEDS planning process for 2022-2027 is greater emphasis on South Florida's Opportunity Zones created under the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act signed into law by President Donald J. Trump on December 22, 2017.

Working in partnership with the Council Members and regional stakeholders, our goal is to develop and implement cohesive regional strategic initiatives that will accelerate the recovery of South Florida's regional economy, pivot workers from leisure and hospitality to manufacturing and other sectors, diversify South Florida's economy, retain and attract new talent, and increase the region's ability to weather and overcome unexpected emergencies.



The 2022-2027 CEDS update process will begin in 2021 and include data collection and analysis, development and convening of a steering committee, focus groups, and ultimately goal development with action plans and performance measures.

Council staff requests that a Council Member be appointed to represent the Council on the CEDS Committee.

#### **Recommendation**:

Appoint a Council Member to serve on the CEDS Committee.



#### **MEMORANDUM**

AGENDA ITEM #IV.H

DATE: JANUARY 25, 2021

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR / SPENDING AUTHORITY

In December 2019, the Council issued a Request for Information (RFI) for a Conference Room Technology Upgrade. The RFI was sent to eight local vendors, four of which responded with eight different proposals. The prices ranged from \$7K upwards to \$66K, generally increasing as additional components (microphones, wireless microphones, speakers, etc.) were added to the mix.

Council staff estimates that technology improvements in the range of \$8,000 - 12,000 will noticeably enhance the meeting experience for Council members attending in person and by GoToMeeting in the future. This level of expenditure exceeds the Executive Director's direct spending authority. The Council's Statement of Organization (revised and adopted January 2020) states in Finance Section 9.0 that "the purchase of any single item of either equipment or goods which will require the expenditure of more than three thousand (\$3,000) must be approved by the Council."

At the July 22, 2019 Council Meeting, the Council ratified an emergency expenditure for the replacement of the air conditioning unit in Suite 230 (Conference Room). At that time, the Council proposed an increase in the Executive Director's discretionary spending authority to \$7,500 but it was inadvertently not incorporated into the Statement of Organization considered and subsequently adopted by the Council in January 2020.

#### Recommendations

- 1. Authorize the Executive Director to spend up to \$15,000 (per Chair's suggestion) for conference room technology improvements; and
- 2. Ratify, if it is the Council's desire, the increase in the Executive Director's direct spending authority from \$3,500 to \$7,500.





#### **MEMORANDUM**

AGENDA ITEM #VI.A

DATE: JANUARY 25, 2021

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: SFRPC REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS STATUS REPORT

The South Florida Regional Planning Council Revolving Loan Program has historically served the needs of businesses that are not entirely served by conventional lenders, with an emphasis on applicants who have been denied credit by a conventional lender. As such, the Council's RLF loans are considered riskier than conventional loans. The Loan Administration Board may charge a higher interest rate to a particular borrower depending on the risk factors of that loan. In addition, most loan payments are due on the first day of each month until maturity.

Attached for your review is the Revolving Loan Fund Status Report. In reviewing the attached status report, please note that the borrowers' loan agreements provide a fifteen (15) day grace period in which they can make their payments without a five percent late charge penalty. This status report is generated fifteen (15) days prior to the end of the month. Council staff routinely makes phone calls and sends past due notices to past due accounts after ten (10) and fifteen (15) days.

The Council policy on loan amounts and the structure of the loans for each loan program is:

"Loan amounts may range from \$25,000 to \$500,000. Borrowers seeking more than one loan may not exceed \$500,000 in aggregate. Loans may be used for funding up to 100 percent of a project, provided that bank or conventional financing is unavailable, and that equity is nonexistent or is otherwise needed for cash flow. In cases where limited financing from a private/traditional source is available, loans can be used as supplemental or "second mortgage" funds. Second positions on collateral may be acceptable so long as the prior lien holder is a lending institution."

Please find attached Legal Counsel's South Florida Regional Planning Council ("SFRPC") / Revolving Loan Fund report on legal action that has been taken to collect on delinquent accounts.



#### LIST OF COMMITTED EDA FUNDS December 31, 2020

Loan #	Company Name	Committed	Commitment Date	Disbursed		Remaining Commitment	1st Disbursement		2nd Disbursement		3rd Disbursement		4th Disbursement	
4040		400,000	4/18/2019	\$ 369,50	3.62	\$ 30,491.38	9/23/2019	\$ 125,000.00	8/31/2020	\$ 112,335.71	10/14/2020	\$ 96,326.87	11/23/2020	\$ 35,846.04
4041		203,000	7/15/2019	\$ 126,62	3.25	\$ 76,371.75	7/18/2019	\$ 62,558.60	12/3/2019	\$ 21,499.65	6/2/2020	\$ 21,820.50	9/30/2020	\$ 20,749.50
	TOTAL	\$603,000		\$ 496,13	5.87	\$ 106,862.13								

Cash Available to Lend			
Bank Balance as of	12/31/2020	\$	1,082,524.59
Committed Funds			
Unfunded Loan Commitm	\$ 106,862		
Administrative Fees	17,228.22		
Total Committed Funds		\$	124,090.35
Total Uncommitted		\$	958,434.24

	TRADITIONAL RLF Payment Status Report															
Loan	Company /Borrower	Amount	Disbursed	Pmts	Rate	Pay/Yr	Normal Pay	Last Activity	Last Balance	Paid Thru	Days Late	Last Activity	Next Pay Due	Loan Date	Maturity Date	Board Action
1008		110,000.00	110,000.00	120	6.0000	12	911.68	1,823.36	56,705.75	12/01/2020	0	12/10/2020	01/01/2021	03/22/2002		performing
1022		300,000.00	300,000.00	240	7.0000	12	2,325.90	2,709.36	319,153.18	12/01/2020	0	12/14/2020	01/01/2021	01/08/2004	Sep-39	performing
1023		301,586.50	301,586.50	120	5.0000	12	350.00	350.00	161,715.88	12/01/2020	0	12/01/2020	01/01/2021	07/19/2006	May-24	performing
1034		300,000.00	300,000.00	120	5.0000	12	3,181.97	1,500.00	260,365.24	10/01/2020	60	12/17/2020	11/01/2020	12/21/2006	Dec-28	non-performing
1036		330,529.43	330,529.43	120	5.0000	12	2,200.00	2,300.00	210,228.08	11/01/2020	30	11/23/2020	12/01/2020	02/26/2008	Aug-30	performing
1039		125,000.00	125,000.00	84	5.0000	12	500.00	500.00	120,170.87	12/01/2020	0	12/11/2020	01/01/2021	11/24/2008	Dec-15	performing
1040		200,000.00	200,000.00	84	5.0000	12	1,472.32	1,500.00	102,752.46	12/01/2020	0	12/02/2020	01/01/2021	02/02/2009	Aug-28	performing
2005		100,000.00	100,000.00	36	5.0000	12	500.00	500.00	11,846.70	11/01/2020	30	11/23/2020	12/01/2020	09/27/2001	Jun-21	performing
3024		189,043.88	189,043.88	144	0.0000	12	500.00	500.00	114,945.87	12/01/2020	0	12/09/2020	01/01/2021	07/26/1999	Dec-16	legal filing judgment/rlf foreclosing on mortgage
4008		300,000.00	300,000.00	84	5.0000	12	750.00	750.00	185,228.45	12/01/2020	0	12/11/2020	01/01/2021	07/31/2009	Jul-16	performing
4018		150,000.00	150,000.00	84	6.0000	12	2,191.28	(465.00)	144,598.41	12/01/2015	1826	10/22/2020	01/01/2016	07/12/2013	Aug-20	Judgment pending
4022		43,000.00	43,000.00	84	0.0000	12	607.76	0.02	42,687.48	07/01/2016	1613	12/10/2018	08/01/2016	03/04/2014	Apr-21	default final judgment/bankruptcy
4024		235,000.00	235,000.00	240	5.0000	12	1,550.90	1,600.00	186,145.46	12/01/2020	0	12/07/2020	01/01/2021	04/16/2014	May-26	performing
4027		149,500.00	149,500.00	120	5.0000	12	400.00	0.00	86,516.78	12/01/2020	0	12/04/2020	01/01/2021	12/15/2015	May-21	performing
4028		75,000.00	75,000.00	1	0.0000	12	379.34	765.03	74,994.72	04/01/2019	610	04/12/2019	05/01/2019	11/17/2016	Dec-25	In Litigation
4029		75,000.00	75,000.00	1	0.0000	12	765.08	803.02	75,000.00	04/01/2019	610	04/12/2019	05/01/2019	12/14/2016	Sep-18	In Litigation
4031		332,972.82	332,972.82	111	6.5000	12	1,000.00	1,000.00	321,849.33	12/01/2020	0	12/01/2020	01/01/2021	09/28/2017	Sep-18	performing
4032		300,000.55	300,000.55	120	7.0000	12	3,577.27	3,577.27	269,014.26	12/01/2020	0	12/14/2020	01/01/2021	10/24/2018	Dec-28	performing
4033		254,999.57	254,999.57	84	7.0000	12	4,078.55	4,078.55	212,993.99	12/01/2020	0	12/01/2020	01/01/2021	10/25/2018	Nov-28	performing
4034		84,506.66	84,506.66	84	7.0000	12	1,282.88	150.00	71,412.80	11/01/2020	30	12/23/2020	12/01/2020	01/03/2019	Oct-25	non-performing
4035		248,684.03	248,684.03	84	7.0000	12	1,450.00	1,450.00	203,803.55	12/01/2020	0	12/01/2020	01/01/2021	03/05/2019	Jan-26	performing
4036		149,223.30	149,223.30	84	7.0000	12	870.00	870.00	127,913.17	12/01/2020	0	12/01/2020	01/01/2021	03/05/2019	Apr-26	performing
4037		173,904.64	173,904.64	84	5.0000	12	1,500.00	1,500.00	165,951.82	12/01/2020	0	12/01/2020	01/01/2021	03/28/2019	Apr-26	performing
4038		99,885.78	99,885.78	60	7.0000	12	1,500.00	1,500.00	89,722.79	12/01/2020	0	12/01/2020	01/01/2021	03/28/2019	Mar-26	performing
4039		200,000.00	200,000.00	84	7.0000	12	3,018.54	150.00	196,815.27	11/01/2020	30	12/23/2020	12/01/2020	03/12/2020	Apr-24	non-performing
4040		400,000.00	369,508.62	84	7.0000	12	2,000.00	2,000.00	368,151.68	12/01/2020	0	12/01/2020	01/01/2021	09/23/2019	Apr-27	performing
4041		126,628.25	126,628.25	60	7.0000	12	2,123.61	(621.66)	126,628.25	10/01/2020	60	09/30/2020	11/01/2020	07/18/2019	Sep-26	Loan to be assumed by Liberia Economic and Social Development

Totals 5,354,465.41 5,323,974.03 40,987.08 30,789.95 4,307,312.24

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January 14, 2021

#### VIA E-MAIL (isabelc@sfrpc.com)

Isabel Cosio Carballo, MPA, Executive Director South Florida Regional Planning Council Oakwood business Center One Oakwood Boulevard, Suite 250 Hollywood, FL 33320

Re: South Florida Regional Planning Council ("SFRPC") / Revolving Loan Fund Status Report

Dear Ms. Carballo:

Below please find the status of the Revolving Loan Fund cases which have been brought on behalf of the SFRPC. This shall confirm that once a judgment is obtained and recorded, our office has been instructed to take no further action, other than to re-record specified judgments, as requested, in a timely fashion. We have therefore removed all of the "Closed Cases" from this list. In the future, once a judgment is obtained and recorded relative to cases appearing on this list, they will be removed from this list.

#### 1. SFRPC (SFRPC Account #4018) v. Angela Dawson, P.A. (Our File No. 9940547)

Complaint filed with the Court on May 7, 2018. Dawson filed a motion to recuse (remove) the judge, so litigation was delayed. Dawson filed an Answer and Counterclaim, which SFRPC moved to strike. Order entered approving our Motion to Strike Dawson's Affirmative Defenses and our Motion to Dismiss Dawson's Counterclaim. Dawson's Amended Counterclaim and Amended Answers and Affirmative Defenses were due on April 26, 2019. Dawson failed to file the pleadings by the deadline, and SFRPC filed a Motion for Summary Judgment. The hearing on the Motion for Summary Judgment was scheduled, and then reset at Dawson's request for October 23, 2019. A Motion for Judicial Default against Dawson was filed on October 25, 2019.

SFRPC requested an Amended Complaint for foreclosure. A Motion to Amend Complaint was filed and there have been two (2) hearings on the motion. Both times, the court has delayed a ruling on the motions, pending mediation.

A Motion to Strike Defendants First Amended Affirmative Defenses was filed on November 13, 2019. A Motion to Dismiss Dawson's Counterclaim was filed on December 19, 2019. On June 15, 2020 a hearing was set for the court to hear SFRPC's Motion for Judicial Default, Motion for Leave to File Amended Complaint, Motion to Strike Defendants' First Amended Affirmative Defenses and Motion to Dismiss Counterclaim. Dawson filed a new Counterclaim and new Answer and Affirmative Defenses just prior to the hearing, which the court accepted in place of the defective pleadings. SFRPC's motions were denied due to the court accepting the replacement pleadings. Dawson filed various additional pleadings, including an Affidavit of Excusable Neglect and an Affidavit from Ed McGann. Dawson filed a Request for Production on June 8, 2020, requesting a significant volume of documents which are unrelated to the pending litigation. Objection to the discovery request filed on July 8, 2020.

Litigation of this matter has been extended and complicated by the volume of pleadings filed by Ms. Dawson; each pleading requires a response from SFRPC. Mediation occurred on October 29, 2020 before Judge Lynch. The parties

Isabel Cosio Carballo, Executive Director Page 2 of 2 January 14, 2021

were not able to reach a settlement at mediation. As a follow-up to mediation, on November 3, 2020, SFRPC sent a written settlement offer to Dawson's counsel and is awaiting a response.

#### 2. SFRPC (Account No. 3024) v. Broadway Place, Inc. & Cuthbert H. Harewood, Jr. (File No. 0801590)

Default Final Judgment entered on March 14, 2011. Defendant filed a motion for rehearing on March 14, 2011. On April 19, 2011 the Court entered an order deferring ruling on Defendant's motion and ordered mediation. On June 14, 2011 the Court entered an Agreed Final Order Approving Settlement. Per the settlement, the Judgment was ratified. However, so long as the Defendant makes payments of \$500.00 per month beginning June 1, 2011, (for 23 months) and then \$1,000 per month, recording and execution of the judgment is withheld. Judgment Lien Certificate filed with the Florida Department of State/Division of Corporations on May 13, 2014. Default Final Judgment filed with Miami-Dade County on May 16, 2014. Payment received on June 30, 2020 in the amount of \$500.00.

Foreclosure Complaint filed on May 17, 2019. Clerk's Default entered against Broadway Place, Inc. on June 25, 2019. Order granting Judicial Default entered against Broadway Non-Stop Production, LLC on November 5, 2019. Motion for Substitution of Parties filed on September 11, 2019. Order granting Substitution of Parties on September 18, 2019. Estate of Zoila Alvarez filed Motion to Dismiss the Complaint. Estate of Alvarez's Motion to Dismiss was denied. Estate of Alvarez filed an Answer to the Complaint on May 27, 2020. Motions for Judicial Defaults were filed against unknown tenants on June 2, 2020. Case Management Conference scheduled for July 14, 2020. SFRPC's Motion to Strike Estate of Zoila's Affirmative Defenses was granted. SFRPC's Motion for Judicial Default on Tenants 7 and 8 on parcel 2 was granted. SFRPC's Motion for Summary and Default Final Judgment was filed on November 5, 2020. A Case Management Conference has been scheduled for November 30, 2020. SFRPC filed a Memorandum of Law on December 28, 2020. Defendant, Broadway filed a Motion to Vacate Default and to Quash Service of Process and a Motion to Cancel the Foreclosure Sale on January 8, 2021. A hearing on both motions is set for January 15, 2021. SFRPC's Response to both motions is being drafted.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Kerry L. Ezrol

Kerry L. Ezrol

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Steve Foreman (via e-mail)
Manny Cela (via e-mail)
Jeffrey Tart (via e-mail)
Kathe Lerch (via e-mail)



#### MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM #VI.B

DATE: JANUARY 25, 2021

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: SFRPC CARES ACT RLF STATUS REPORT

The U.S. Department of Commerce's Economic Development Administration is partnering with the South Florida Regional Planning Council (SFRPC) to oversee and administer a new \$5.90 million CARES ACT Business Revolving Loan Fund program that will alleviate sudden and severe economic dislocation caused by the coronavirus in Monroe, Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach counties. Designated a U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development District in 1994, the SFRPC welcomes this new program into its lending portfolio as it continues to expand its economic development activities.

The initiative/focus is to initially conduct financial assessments of vital and essential South Florida small businesses to evaluate financial and resiliency capacity with the focus on maintaining ongoing operations. Once assessed, the SFRPC along with its coalition partners will determine an applicable loan program to meet the financial needs of the small business in order to maintain its vital operations. This supplemental financial assistance award will help support critical small business operations for the long-term within industries that are essential in South Florida.

Since the program was launched on August 5, 2020, the SFRPC has received approximately 135 prospects inquiring into the loan program from Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade and Monroe counties. Initial loan program funding is available for up to 2 years or until all loan funds are disbursed. As the program is revolving in nature, after all initial funds are deployed, new businesses will have an opportunity to seek financial support as loan proceeds are repaid from former borrowers.

To date, loan administration has approved fourteen (14) new CARES ACT RLF loans totaling \$2,985,000.





# Small Business Loans Available through the CARES ACT

### **ABOUT**

The South Florida Regional Planning Council (SFRPC) has secured funds from the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA) to capitalize a small business revolving loan fund for business adversely impacted by COVID-19. These funds, provided pursuant to the March 2020 Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), will be administered by the SFRPC through its Revolving Loan Fund CARES Act Program.

### KEEP IN MIND

- The RLF CARES Act Program is a long-term financing program to help stabilize existing businesses impacted by COVID-19.
- RFL CARES Act Program funds CAN be combined with:
  - Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL)
  - Paycheck Protection Program (PPP)
  - or the State of Florida Bridge Loan Program
- RLF CARES Act Program is NOT a grant or forgivable loan.

### LOAN INFORMATION

\$5,380,000

Personal guaranties and collateral are required.

#### ELIGIBILITY

Small Businesses Sole Proprietors 501c3 Organizations

\* located within Monroe, Miami-Dade, Broward & Palm Beach counties

#### FINANCING

Loan Amount: \$25,000 - \$500,000 Interest Rate: Fixed 3% - 4% Duration: Up to 10 Years

# HOW TO APPLY

Visit: CARES ACT RLF | Availability: Immediate

For more information, please contact:
Steve Foreman, CARES ACT Revolving Loan Fund Administrator | sforeman@sfrpc.com

Jeff Tart, Senior Loan Officer | jtart@sfrpc.com

For fastest approval, be prepared to document your economic loss due to COVID-19. Be aware of fraudulent schemes and only discuss finances with a trusted professional.



# Partridge Equity Group

January 11, 2021

Dear Ms. Sullivan,

I want to express our sincere gratitude for the South Florida Planning Council's outstanding contribution to our business. The COVID relief SFRPC provided came at the perfect time. We had applied for an EIDLE loan, never to hear a response. We tried to get funding from commercial lending sources to no avail. The only help we received came from SFRPC.

Your team has been fantastic to work with. I'll like to recognize Jeff Tart and Steve Foreman for their excellent leadership. Without their help, we indeed would have had more significant finical troubles.

I'll want to praise all the staff at SFRPC for all the creative work and dedication in helping us. SFRPC thinks outside of the box, understand our needs, and perform, unlike commercial lenders.

Your dedication to continually strive to provide the ideal experience has been a wonderful reality for us.

I genuinely want to Thank You for all that you do.

Happy belated New Year.

Christopher Partridge

Partridge Equity Group

### **CARES ACT RLF FUNDING UPDATE**

AS OF: 12/31/2020

APPLIED GRANT AWARD: 08/05/2020: \$5,380,000.00

TOTAL FUNDED: \$2,335,000.00

**AVAILABLE TO LEND:** \$3,045,000.00

Loan #	LOAN AMOUNT	COUNTY	CITY
1	\$25,000.00	Monroe	Key Largo
2	\$30,000.00	Monroe	Islamorada
3	\$500,000.00	Broward	Pompano Beach
4	\$85,000.00	Palm Beach	Palm Springs
5	\$300,000.00	Miami- Dade	Miami
6	\$35,000.00	Broward	Hollywood
7	\$500,000.00	Monroe	Key West
8	\$150,000.00	Monroe	Key West
9	\$210,000.00	Broward	Miramar
10	\$500,000.00	Miami- Dade	Miami Beach

TOTAL FUNDED: \$2,335,000.00

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						CARES	ACT payment	status report								
Loan	Company /Borrower	Amount	Disbursed	Pmts	Rate	Pay/Yr	Normal Pay	Last Activity	Last Balance	Paid Thru	Days Late	Last Activity	Next Pay Due	Loan Date	Maturity Date	Board Action
5100		25,000.00	25,000.00	60	3.5000	12	454.79	454.79	23,816.49	12/20/2020	0	01/04/2021	02/01/2021	10/20/2020	11/01/2025	performing
5101		30,000.00	30,000.00	60	3.5000	12	545.75	545.75	28,579.78	12/20/2020	0	01/04/2021	02/01/2021	10/20/2020	11/01/2025	performing
5102		500,000.00	500,000.00	60	3.5000	12	1,458.33	1,458.33	500,000.00	01/01/2021	0	01/04/2021	02/01/2021	11/11/2020	01/01/2031	performing
5104		85,000.00	85,000.00	84	3.5000	12	1,142.39	1,142.39	83,058.74	01/01/2021	0	01/04/2021	02/01/2021	11/24/2020	01/01/2031	performing
5107		300,000.00	300,000.00	120	3.5000	12	2,966.58	2,966.58	295,399.86	01/01/2021	0	01/04/2021	02/01/2021	11/20/2020	11/01/2030	performing
5108		35,000.00	35,000.00	60	3.5000	12	636.71	35,000.00	35,000.00	12/17/2020	0	12/17/2020	02/01/2021	12/22/2020	01/01/2031	performing
5110		150,000.00	150,000.00	120	3.5000	12	1,483.29	18.00	150,000.00	01/11/2021	0	01/11/2021	02/01/2021	01/13/2021	01/01/2031	performing
5111		210,000.00	210,000.00	120	3.5000	12	2,076.60	18.00	210,000.00	12/30/2020	0	12/30/2020	02/01/2021	12/31/2020	01/01/2031	performing
5112		500,000.00	500,000.00	120	3.5000	12	4,944.29	18.00	500,000.00	12/28/2020	0	12/28/2020	02/01/2021	12/28/2020	01/01/2031	performing
5109		500,000.00	n/a													In Closing
Totals		2,335,000.00	1,835,000.00				15,708.73	41,621.84	1,825,854.87							

#### Portfolio Analysis

Funds: (37000)
Status: All
City: All
County: All
Loan Officer: All
Loan# From 2 to 53005

Cutoff Date: 1/13/2021 Run Date: 01/13/2021 Run Time: 3:39:02 pm

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	Number	Balance	Percent%
All Outstanding Loans			
Current Accounts	9	1,825,854.87	100.00%
Past due 1-30 days	0	0.00	0.00%
Past due 31-60 days	0	0.00	0.00%
Past due 61-90 days	0	0.00	0.00%
Past due 91-120 days	0	0.00	0.00%
Past due 121-150 days	0	0.00	0.00%
Past due 151-180 days	0	0.00	0.00%
Greater than 180 days	0	0.00	0.00%
Total Portfolio	9	1,825,854.87	100.00%
Contaminated Portfolio	0	0.00	0.00%

Loans identified as being delinquent by 30 or more days and having a balance greater than zero as of the cutoff date.

Delinquent Loans 0 0.00 0.00%

Loans identified by delinquent status in Loan Master, and having a balance greater than zero as of the cutoff date.

Default Loans 0 0.00 0.00%

Loans identified by default status in Loan Master, and having a balance greater than zero as of the cutoff date.

Write-off Loans 0 0.00 0.00%

Loans identified by write-off status in Loan Master, and having a balance greater than zero as of the cutoff date.

		APPLICATION	S		
NAME OF APPLICANT/BUSINESS	INITIAL DATE	REQUESTED AMOUNT	BUSINESS TYPE	REFERRED BY	COUNTY
	09/22/20	\$100,000.00	school	Leroy (Mayor Gimenez office)	Miami-Da
	11/09/20	\$50,000.00	restaurant	Lisa Liotta / Hollywood	Broward
	11/19/20	\$150,000.00	construction	Bob Case	Browar
	11/30/20	\$50,000	PR firm	n/a	Browar

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NAME OF APPLICANT/BUSINESS	INITIAL DATE	REQUESTED AMOUNT	BUSINESS TYPE	REFERRED BY	COUNTY
	DAIL	AMOUNT			
	10/26/20 10/30/20	\$100,000 n/a	water well drilling training/education	n/a City of Parkland	Palm Beach Broward
	11/03/20	\$100,000	retail	n/a	Broward
	11/04/20	n/a	hospitality / hotel	Miami Beach	Miami-Dade
	11/04/20 11/05/20	\$25,000 \$250,000	hospitality / hotel Special events	Miami Beach n/a	
	11/05/20	\$100,000	Medical device	n/a	Palm Beach
	11/12/20	\$25,000	signs	Jaison Raju / OEBO	Palm Beach
	11/12/20	n/a	restaurant	n/a	Broward
	11/17/20	n/a	valet	City of Miami Beach	Miami-Dade
	11/17/20	n/a	retail	Miami-Dade	Miami-Dade
	11/18/20	n/a	construction	n/a	Broward
	11/23/20	\$25,000	medical equipment	n/a	Broward
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	12/04/20	\$100,000	lawn maintenance	n/a	Miami-Dade
	10/04/00	\$250.000		City of Pollo Clade that TOPPO	Dolm Deart
	12/04/20 12/11/20	\$250,000 \$500,000	gas company Travel tours	City of Belle Glade thru TCRPC n/a	Palm Beach Broward
	01/08/21	\$250,000	camping	Leo	Miami-Dade
	01/11/21 01/11/21	\$100,000 \$50,000	child daycare chiropractor	n/a n/a	Monroe



#### **MEMORANDUM**

AGENDA ITEM #VI.D

DATE: JANUARY 25, 2021

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: FRCA WINTER POLICY BOARD FORUM; 2019 – 2020 FRCA Annual Report

The Florida Regional Councils Association (FRCA) Policy Board consists of three board members from each of the state's 10 Councils: a County Representative, a Municipal Representative, and a Gubernatorial Appointee.

Councilmember Baily, Councilmember Udine, and Councilmember Leonard represent the South Florida RPC on the Policy Board. The Policy Board met in a virtual forum on Friday, January 8, 2021. The agenda is included for your information. Among the presentations, Policy Board Members received updates from FDOT Secretary Kevin Thibault, Florida Division of Emergency Management Director Jason Moskowitz, and legislative report by FRCA Executive Director Ron Book.

The 2019-2020 FRCA Annual Report has been completed and included for your information.

#### Recommendation

Information Only.





Apalachee • Central Florida
East Central Florida • Emerald Coast
North Central Florida • Northeast Florida • South Florida
Southwest Florida • Tampa Bay • Treasure Coast

# Florida Regional Councils Association Winter Policy Board Forum

January 8, 2021 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

#### GoToMeeting - <a href="https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/390560741">https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/390560741</a>

#### **AGENDA**

9:00 – 9:05 a.m.	Call to Order and Welcome Commissioner Peter O'Bryan, Treasure Coast RPC, FRCA President
9:05 – 9:35 a.m.	Florida Department of Transportation Kevin Thibault, Secretary
9:35 – 9:45 a.m.	Presentation of the 2019-20 FRCA Annual Report Chris Rietow, Apalachee RPC, Executive Director
9:45 – 10:15 a.m.	Legislative Report Ron Book, Ronald L. Book, P.A. Sean Sullivan, Tampa Bay RPC, FRCA EDAC Chair
10:15 – 10:25 a.m.	Statewide Regional Evacuation Study Update Beth Payne, Chief Executive Officer, Northeast Florida RC
10:25 – 10:55 a.m.	Florida Division of Emergency Management Jared Moskowitz, Director
10:55 – 11:25 a.m.	Regional Planning Council Recent Projects  Regional Planning Council Report Outs All Regional Planning Councils
11:25 – 11:30 a.m.	Other Items for Discussion and Adjourn Commissioner Peter O'Bryan, Treasure Coast RPC, FRCA President



# 2019 - 2020 ANNUAL REPORT







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# 2019-2020 **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**



**PRESIDENT**Ms. Sandra Walters
South Florida RPC



**1st VICE-PRESIDENT**Commissioner Peter O'Bryan
Treasure Coast RPC



**2nd VICE-PRESIDENT**Commissioner Kristin Dozier
Apalachee RPC



IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT Councilwoman Roxanne Horvath Northeast Florida RC



# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As one of the most challenging years in many of our lifetimes due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, Florida's ten regional planning councils, connected through the Florida Regional Councils Association, continued to provide meaningful support to our families and communities.

Leveraging federal funding provided by the U.S. Economic Development Administration, each RPC is working to implement economic development initiatives that assist both business and government. RPCs play a pivotal role in ensuring that economic development planning continues with a focus on recovery from COVID-19 by providing technical assistance and resources to local governments.

RPCs have advanced community collaboration during the pandemic by embracing rapidly-expanding technology and using state-of-the-art virtual platforms to reach as many stakeholders as possible. We have assisted local health departments and emergency management offices with COVID-19 testing sites and continued supporting the healthcare community with planning efforts for vaccine distribution.

We are adapting to the many challenges that 2020 brought and continue our work in our critical mission areas of transportation, economic development, quality of life, environmental stewardship, emergency preparedness, and serving as regional conveners.

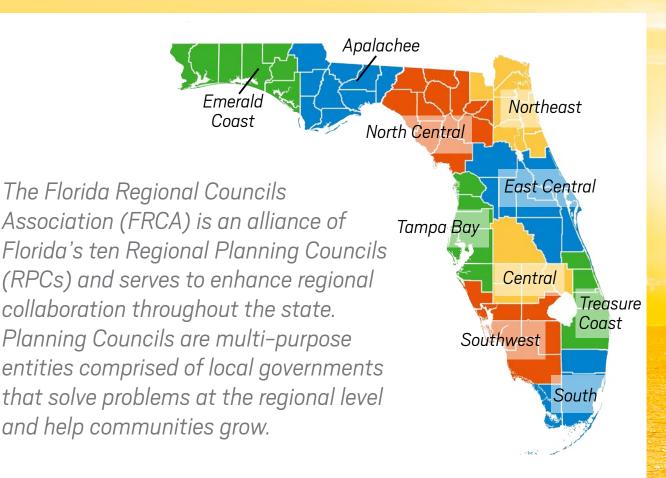
In this report I invite you to review examples of regional partnerships supported by FRCA, including innovative local government planning projects and successful state and federal program implementation. It was my pleasure to serve as your President, and I look forward to FRCA's continued success as it leverages partnerships to build a strong economy and improve the lives of all Floridians in the coming years.

Sandra Walters, President

Florida Regional Councils Association

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# Leveraging partnerships to build a strong economy and improve the lives of all Floridians...THAT is the mission of FRCA.



KNOWLEDGE

REGIONAL SOLUTIONS

STATEWIDE IMPACT

Through the Regional Planning Councils, FRCA creates partnerships statewide to support economic growth, improve infrastructure and enhance the quality of life for all Floridians.



METROPOLITAN/ TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS STAFFED

**13** 

NUMBER OF REVOLVING LOAN FUND APPLICATIONS REVIEWED

**122** 

ECONOMIC ANALYSES COMPLETED (REMI)

**419** 

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES PROVIDED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

>971

**PLANNING ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED** 

**>506** 

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INSPECTIONS OF SMALL QUANTITY GENERATORS (SQG)

**814,341** 

TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED TRIPS PLANNED

# **REGIONAL CONVENING**



RPCs lead community and regional vision efforts, engage the public in a variety of plans and programs, and maintain Strategic Regional Policy Plans.

# **TRANSPORTATION**



Many RPCs serve as the Designated Official Planning Agency for the Transportation Disadvantaged Program. Several RPCs serve as staff to their local Metropolitan or Transportation Planning Organizations, known as MPOs or TPOs. Planning services of RPCs also include Complete Streets, Safe Routes to Schools, Greenways and Trails, and mobility and transit planning.

# **QUALITY OF LIFE**



Through visioning and community planning efforts, RPCs assist local communities as they set goals to implement a vision and strategy for their communities and regions.

# EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



RPCs staff Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs), identify hazardous materials and security threats, and organize and conduct local emergency operation exercises. RPCs also collaborate on statewide projects such as the award-winning statewide Regional Evacuation Study.

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



RPCs complete regional economic impact analyses using the nationally-recognized Regional Economic Models, Inc. (REMI) software, facilitate post-disaster and redevelopment planning, and administer revolving loan funds for small business loans and brownfields redevelopment. RPCs serve as Economic Development Districts for the Economic Development Administration of the U.S. Commerce Department.



## APALACHEE REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

Honorable Kristin Dozier, Leon County Ms. Lisa Miller, Gubernatorial Appointee Honorable Gene Wright, Town of Malone

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Source: Florida Estimates of Population, 2019, Table 1, Bureau of Economic and Business Research, University of Florida, 2019. FTE means Full-Time Equivalent.

Total land and water area. Source: Bureau of Economic and Business Research, University of Florida

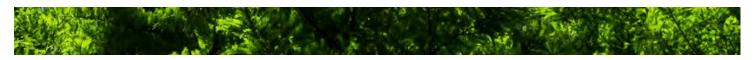
Aug. 19, 1976

TAMPA BAY

Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas

Treasure Coast

Indian River, Martin. Palm Beach, St. Lucie



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# CONVENERS

RPCs serve as regional conveners. They lead community and regional vision efforts, engage the public in a variety of plans and programs, and maintain Strategic Regional Policy Plans.

#### Southwest Florida Task Force on Overdose Prevention

The Southwest Florida RPC developed a task force that focuses on opioid/overdose prevention. The Southwest Florida Task Force on Overdose Prevention (STOP) meets bi-monthly with partners from the 6-county region of SWFL consisting of different treatment centers, law enforcement, emergency management services, drug free coalitions, medical professionals, county commissioners and many other strategic community stakeholders.

With an initial focus on prevention education, intervention, and recovery, the task force has teamed up with community partners for grant writing, data collection/ review, health fairs, summits and other regional collaboration efforts to address substance abuse/overdose prevention.





# Central Florida RPC Convenes the Region to Address Mobility



On October 30, 2019, the Central Florida RPC and the Heartland Regional Transportation Planning Organization hosted the Heartland Mobility Forum in Lake Placid, Florida. The event brought together more than 50 elected officials, non-profit organizations, agencies, and concerned citizens to address mobility in the rural six-county area, including DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, and Okeechobee counties. In over 5,000 square miles, only two small rural circulator fixed-route transit systems are available. The community transportation coordinators aim to meet the transit needs of the community through door-to-door services utilizing the limited Transportation Disadvantaged funding and rural public transit funding.

Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged Executive Director David Darm spoke on the future of coordinated transportation, and the two Community Transportation Coordinators that serve the region shared the progress made in the last year. Then, attendees engaged in discussions exploring critical needs, barriers, and future possibilities. Informed by the forum, the Central Florida RPC will focus on enhancing communications, customer service, and partnerships as the cornerstones of the Council's Mobility Program in 2020.

The event concluded as staff unveiled HeartlandRides. org. Designed to be easy to use, the website and findaride resource will connect riders with the options that are available to them and connect them to services and programs that may enhance their mobility.



The RPCs assist local communities as they implement community vision and strategies. Brownfields programs across the state work to provide resources that clean up abandoned or underused commercial and industrial sites. Many RPCs also provide other services to enhance the quality of life using GIS mapping and affordable housing initiatives.

#### U. S. Census Director Visits North Central Florida RPC



Dr. Stephen D. Dillingham, U. S. Census Director, Washington, D. C. Central Office, along with Marilyn Stephens, Assistant Regional Census Manager, Atlanta Regional Office, visited the offices of the North Central Florida RPC to discuss preparations for the upcoming 2020 Census. The Council, along with the other nine regional planning councils in Florida, is a Census Affiliate agency. Affiliate agencies partner with the Census to coordinate with local governments to prepare for the decennial Census and disseminate Census information.

During the visit, Census officials were briefed by Council staff on their outreach efforts concerning preparation for the 2020 Census. These efforts included working with local Census complete count committees,

adopting a proclamation declaring March 2020 as Census Awareness Month in the north central Florida region, encouraging all counties and municipalities in the north central Florida region to adopt similar proclamations, posting information concerning the 2020 Census on the Council website and issuing press releases to inform the public about the importance of the 2020 Census.

Dr. Dillingham discussed the process for implementing the 2020 Census. He indicated that the goal was to have 80 percent of the 2020 Census responses completed online with telephone and mail options also being available for the initial count during Phase 1. During Phase 2, enumerators will canvass neighborhoods to count non-respondents. While April 1 was the official Census Day and the residency count day, the 2020 Census was completed in October 2020.

#### **Apalachee RPC Establishes a Housing Program to Assist its Region**



The Apalachee Regional Planning Council recently established a new program area in response to the devastating effects of Hurricane Michael. The Apalachee RPC Housing Program was formed to administer the Hurricane Housing Recovery Program (HHRP) in Calhoun County. Program staff includes two planners that work in coordination with Calhoun County Housing Department staff. Since its inception, the ARPC Housing Program has made great strides for housing throughout the Region and housing–related assistance in various forms is now being provided in Calhoun, Gulf, Liberty, and Wakulla counties.

The HHRP, administered by Florida Housing Finance Corporation, allocated \$65 million to Florida counties impacted by Hurricane Michael. Calhoun County has a

total of 5,739 housing units and 43% or 2,469 units, sustained damage from the 2018 weather event. Of those, 203 units classified as "high damage" units, meaning damages totaled \$30,000 or more. As a result, the county received \$5,135,000 in housing recovery assistance.

The program will provide recovery assistance to 98 residents who have initially been determined eligible to receive housing assistance. Residents will be assisted through strategies identified by the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners in the Local Housing Assistance Plan which include:

- purchase assistance
- owner occupied housing rehabilitation/repairs
- demolition/reconstruction

- foreclosure prevention/mortgage assistance
- land acquisition and construction

# **TRANSPORTATION**

RPCs participate in the Transportation
Disadvantaged program, as staff to
local Metropolitan/Transportation
Planning Organizations, and provide
planning services for Compete
Streets, Safe Routes to Schools, and
Greenways and Trails planning.

#### **Northwest Florida Celebrates Mobility Week**

Northwest Florida celebrated the second annual statewide initiative Mobility Week —an annual collection of outreach events intended to bring attention to safe multi-modal transportation choices—from October 25 through November 1, 2019. To promote Mobility Week, the Emerald Coast RC, the rideOn program, and each of the Transportation Planning Organizations, staffed by ECRC, partnered with local transit providers to coordinate Transit Ride Along press events. These included:



EC Rider Transit Ride Along (October 24, 2019): Participants rode Route 1 from Northwest Florida

State College to Okaloosa County Elder Services. Participants included Okaloosa-Walton TPO board members, Okaloosa County Commissioner Carolyn Ketchel and City of Destin Councilmember Skip Overdier.

Bay Town Trolley Ride Along (October 29, 2019): Participants rode Route 6 in its entirety, from the Bay County Library. Bay County Transportation Planning Organization Chairperson, City of Callaway Mayor Pamn Henderson participated in the event.

ECAT Ride Along (October 30, 2019): Participants rode Route 45 from the Rosa L. Parks Transit Complex to Pensacola City Hall. Participants included City of Pensacola Mayor Grover Robinson and Florida-Alabama TPO board members; Escambia County Commissioner Lumon May, Escambia County Commissioner Robert Bender, City of Pensacola Councilmember Ann Hill, and City of Pensacola Councilmember Jared Moore.

#### **Martin MPO Complete Streets Access to Transit Study**



The Martin Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) commissioned the Treasure Coast RPC to develop a County-wide Complete Streets: Access to Transit Study, which was adopted in June of 2020.

A "Complete Street" is a public road that provides safe and accessible options for multiple travel modes for people of all ages and abilities, including modes such as walking, cycling, transit, automobiles, and freight. Complete Streets play an especially important role in providing safe, effective connections to transit. Because every transit trip essentially begins and ends as a pedestrian trip, there is heightened focus on the "last-mile" connections to and from transit stops to boost transit performance, with a specific focus on the benefits for accessing transit safely and expanding the utility of the transportation network.

The Complete Streets: Access to Transit Study provides a comprehensive, long-term, context-sensitive approach to an improved roadway network as it relates to existing and anticipated transit stops and routes countywide. The Martin MPO's recently adopted Long-Range Transportation Plan incorporates the study to help inform transportation priorities and funding through the 2045 planning horizon. The study employs a unique methodology to assess various conditions across the County's nearly 1,200-mile roadway network to identify and prioritize eligible roadway segments for improvements. Finally, the study includes a series of recommended implementation activities by the MPO, local governments, and other transportation partners to achieve a safer, more complete street network going forward.

# DEVELOPMENT

RPCs complete regional economic impact analysis using the nationally recognized REMI software, facilitate Post Disaster, Redevelopment Planning, and administer revolving loan funds for small business loans and brownfields redevelopment.

# **East Central Florida RPC Assists with Economic Impact Analysis**



The East Central
Florida RPC and
the North Brevard
Economic Development
Zone (NBEDZ)
partnered to submit an
Economic Adjustment
Grant from U.S.
Economic Development
Administration (EDA) to
analyze the economic
importance of State
Road 405 Causeway to

Brevard County's economy and make the case to attract the necessary investment and partnerships needed to rebuild the Causeway.

The State Road 405 Causeway in Brevard County is the most direct connection between the City of Titusville, home to most of the county's aerospace manufacturing suppliers, and the Kennedy Space Center (KSC) Launch Complex located on Merritt Island. It serves thousands of military and civilian personnel working at the Cape Canaveral Spaceport (CCS) and is the only route to the KSC Visitor Complex, one of Brevard County's most visited tourist attractions. Ensuring this critical access through future decades will drive economic competitiveness of these industries.

The project was comprised of four different economic impact simulation scenarios run using the REMI PI+ economic model and indicated that the S.R. 405 bridge:

- Provides access to almost 15,000 jobs
- Supports the generation of \$1.6 billion in sales and approximately \$699 million in personal income
- It contributes \$1.02 billion to the County's Gross Regional Product (GDP)

Closure would spur the loss of almost 13,500 jobs per year and Brevard County would also lose \$1.53 billion in sales, \$945.7 million in personal income, and \$975.8 million to the County's GDP. Since the completion of the economic forecasting, NASA has funded the Project Development and Environment Study and Design and will fund continued operation and maintenance until the new bridge is complete. Space Florida has committed to providing the matching funds for the INFRA grant award and will take over ownership of the bridge once constructed.

# Treasure Coast RPC Assists with Redevelopment of H.D. King Power Plant

The Treasure Coast RPC has been working with the City of Fort Pierce over a number of years to facilitate the redevelopment of the former site of the H.D. King electrical power plant. Beginning in 1912 and continuing for almost a century, the City generated electrical power on the site.

After moving production to a new facility in 2008, the plant was decommissioned and eventually demolished. Over the last decade the Treasure Coast RPC has assisted with the redevelopment efforts, initially by conducting a community planning charrette to envision a future for the site and then utilizing its Brownfields Assessment program and Revolving Loan Fund, in the assessment and cleanup of contamination on the property.

After attempting to secure a suitable redevelopment partner consistent with the community's vision, the City engaged the Council to help conduct the evaluation of proposals as well as assist in the negotiation of the agreement with the developer selected by the City. The City unanimously approved the development agreement for King's Landing on November 12, 2019, which will return the property to the tax rolls and spur the improvement of a significant area adjacent to the downtown area and the Ft. Pierce City Marina.



#### **EMERGENCY**

# **PREPAREDNESS**

Working together, RPCs conduct cooperative statewide projects such as the award winning statewide Regional Evacuation Study, the Energy Assurance Study, and coastal resiliency planning.

#### Northeast Florida RC Engages in Emergency Preparedness Efforts

- Regional COAD Working Group In the Spring of 2020, the Northeast Florida RC, developed and formed a
   "Regional COAD Working Group". Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD) are local networks of
   community and voluntary organizations that assist in disaster recovery. Many disasters in Florida are regional
   in nature, and communication and collaboration of the COAD Working Group will assist the region in times of
   greatest need.
- Coastal Hazards Mapping Tool The online mapping tool developed and licensed by the Northeast Florida RC as
  the "Regional Resiliency Exposure Tool", has been used to educate local stakeholders about coastal hazards and
  vulnerabilities. The Exposure Tool allows local residents, business owners and government officials to determine
  community exposure to specific coastal hazards. The tool includes the FEMA flood hazard zones, storm surge for
  evacuation planning, depth of flood at defined storm occurrence intervals and sea level rise at defined water levels
  from 1 to 6 feet of rise.
- Shelter-In-Place Program In early 2020, the Northeast Florida Healthcare Coalition (HCC) and Northeast Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee for Hazardous Materials (LEPC), programs of the Northeast Florida RC, partnered to implement a pilot training and exercise program to enhance shelter-in-place (SIP) capabilities of healthcare facilities for a hazardous materials incident. A total of 104 people participated in the shelter-in-place training program and 50 healthcare facilities conducted a shelter-in-place exercise.

#### Tampa Bay RPC Releases 2020 All Hazards Disaster Planning Guide



The Tampa Bay RPC began producing disaster planning guides for the region in the early 1980s. This year the Tampa Bay RPC is proud to provide the 2020 All-Hazards Disaster Planning Guide. The Guide includes evacuation maps, shelter locations, and hurricane preparation tips for the Tampa Bay area. Over 160,000 Guides have been distributed throughout Citrus, Hernando, Manatee, and Sarasota counties and the digital guide is available online at www.tampabayprepares.org. The poster-size guides are available in libraries, post offices, and government buildings while supplies last. Spanish language versions are available in Manatee and Sarasota counties.

#### **Apalachee RPC Prepares Long-Term Recovery Plans**

On October 10, 2018, Hurricane Michael made landfall southwest of Calhoun and Liberty counties. Category 5-level wind gusts were experienced nearly 50 miles inland, devastating homes, businesses, and communities that make up this rural area in the Florida Panhandle. Each county was awarded a Community Planning Technical Assistance Grant from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity to develop a long-term recovery plan. The Apalachee RPC was contracted to develop the plans with the support of OVID Solutions. Targeted stakeholder interviews were conducted, and community surveys were disseminated.



The countywide recovery plans identify priority projects that the communities hope to accomplish and a funding strategy for achieving each one. This is an opportunity for the county to re-imagine its long-term vision and implement it on a much faster timeline, which will better position the counties for economic growth consistent with community character. Out of disaster comes the opportunity to rebuild back stronger and more resilient communities.



#### **2020 NADO Impact Awards**

#### Apalachee Regional Planning Council

• 850 Hemp Summits

#### Central Florida Regional Planning Council

• City of Fort Meade Economic Development & Disaster Resiliency Plan

#### East Central Florida Regional Planning Council

- Food Assets Inventory
- Green Infrastructure Adaptation Plan for the Town of Melbourne Beach
- Central Florida's US&R TF4 MobEx 2019

#### North Central Florida Regional Planning Council

 Middle and Lower Suwannee River and Withlacoochee River Task Force

#### Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

- Citrus County Local Mitigation Strategy
- Hernando County Local Mitigation Strategy
- Tampa Bay Regional Resiliency Coalition

# **2020 NADO Excellence in Regional Transportation Awards**

#### Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

• Resilient Bay Transportation Project



The Central Florida RPC was presented the Summit Award in the Small Business category by United Way of Central Florida due to eight years of 100% employee participation, an increase in per capita giving, and other participation increases during the 2019–2020 fundraising campaign. Through personal gifts, office fundraising and activities, and opportunities to volunteer, the RPC staff shows their commitment to the community and has contributed more than \$10,000 each year for the past three years.

# South Florida RPC Awarded "Community Partner of the Year"

The South Florida RPC was recognized as the "Community Partner of the Year" from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), South Florida District Office. This award honors any organization that assists entrepreneurs through advocacy and other efforts that raise the profile, effectiveness, health, vitality, growth, or expansion of small businesses in the SBA's South Florida District Office territory. These efforts can target specific segments of the small business population such as women, veterans, minorities, exporters, and those small firms located in rural communities.



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#### STATEWIDE PARTNERS



















# TOGETHER

Planning Councils are multi-purpose entities comprised of local governments that solve problems at the regional level and help communities grow.

#### **Regional Planning Councils Receive Coronavirus Recovery Funding**

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on economies across the country, Congress appropriated \$1.5 billion for the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA) as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act. Each regional planning council (RPC) throughout Florida was awarded a two-year, non-competitive grant of \$400,000. As EDA designated Economic Development Districts, RPCs have well established economic development programs focused on regional resilience. This investment provides RPCs with the critical resources necessary to develop or update disaster recovery and resiliency economic development strategies and fortify those programs that help communities respond to and recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. Through working extensively with regional stakeholders to develop a framework and strategies to facilitate economic recovery, efforts will focus on the most affected industries in each of the regions. They will further enhance economic diversity efforts to create more resilient, innovative, and globally competitive regions for the future.





To further aid economic recovery for the business community, EDA provided CARES Act funding to capitalize on two of the existing Revolving Loan Fund programs housed at the Apalachee and South Florida RPCs. These funds offer short-term loans to businesses unable to secure traditional funding.

The funding was appropriated in part due to the advocacy of the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO), who worked with Congressional leadership in both chambers of Congress. NADO is a national trade association representing regional development organizations across the country, advancing regional strategies, partnerships, and solutions to strengthen the economies of regions. North Central Florida RPC Executive Director Scott Koons serves on the Executive Committee of NADO as Immediate Past President. In addition, Apalachee RPC Executive Director Chris Rietow and Central Florida RPC Executive Director Pat Steed serve, along with Director Koons, on the Board of Directors of NADO.

# **Emerald Coast RC and Apalachee RPC Partner To Relaunch The Regional Commuter Assistance Program**



The Emerald Coast RC and Apalachee RPC partnered to relaunch the regional commuter assistance program as RideOn Commuter Services. RideOn is a Transportation Demand Management program of the Florida Department of Transportation, serving District 3 and its sixteen counties across northwest Florida.

Relaunched in early 2020, the program offers a regional approach to connecting people with alternate forms of transportation. RideOn strives to provide people with flexible and sustainable transportation choices that improve the quality of life for all by promoting multi-modal forms of transportation such as remote work, ride-share, public transit, biking, and walking, and "last mile" connectivity.

An interactive mobile RideOn app was created for iOS and Android platforms that allow citizens to easily connect with ride-share partners, vanpools, and biking or walking partners. Detailed commute data is generated, and participants can track their impact on greenhouse gas emissions, gas and money saved, and even calories burned by using the alternative modes of transportation. The app allows real-time tracking for the mobility options and engages users to recognize their impact on the community and the environment. Join us at RideOnTogether.org.



#### **Regional Planning Councils Awarded Technical Assistance Grants**

On August 7, 2020, Governor DeSantis announced nearly \$1 million in community planning technical assistance grants to local governments and regional planning councils. Administered by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, the technical assistance grants assist Florida communities in creating innovative planning and development strategies to promote economic diversity. Four regional planning councils received grants:



#### **Apalachee RPC**

• Conduct training and prepare a toolkit for community planning activities

#### Central Florida RPC

 Prepare a study on Migrant and Farmworker Housing in the central Florida region and a model ordinance that can be incorporated into local government land development regulations

#### **East Central Florida RPC**

- To develop the East Central Florida Food Resiliency Action Plan for a more resilient local, county, and regional food system
- To create a Strategic Resilience Action Plan for the recently established East Central Florida Regional Resilience Collaborative

#### **Emerald Coast RC**

 To develop a corridor master plan for US-90 in Escambia, Santa Rosa, and Okaloosa counties that focuses on a multi-use trail

#### Regional Planning Councils Support Florida's Coral Reef Campaign



From left to right: Isabel Cosio Carballo (Executive Director, South Florida Regional Planning Council); Broward County Commissioner Beam Furr; Miami-Dade County Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava (now Mayor of Miami-Dade); Kathy Fitzpatrick (Martin County Coastal Engineer); Thomas Lanahan (Executive Director, Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council); Martin County Commissioner Doug Smith

Over the last three years the South Florida RPC and Treasure Coast RPC have worked with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and public, private, and nonprofit stakeholders to further public awareness, restoration, and protection of Florida's endangered coral reef spanning Miami-Dade through Martin counties, and Monroe County. In January 2020, the Councils were among those who welcomed Governor DeSantis to Frost Museum of Science for the launch of Florida's Coral Reef campaign.



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#### AGENDA ITEM #VI.E

DATE: JANUARY 25, 2021

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Attached are brief descriptions of some ongoing programs and activities of the Council.

Information only.



# COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS January 2021



#### Florida Statewide Evacuation Study Program

Council staff continues working with the Northeast Florida Regional Council and the other eight Florida RPCs to continue the efforts of the RPCs in the Statewide Regional Evacuation Study Program. Recent accomplishments of the study include updating GIS data such as location of shelters and changes to evacuation zones for inputs in the state evacuation model. Council staff has

coordinated with County Emergency Managers to provide information related to the updating the Behavioral Study, which is being led by a consultant Cambridge Systematics and a UCF research team. The project will be completed June 30, 2021.

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# Improving Access at Florida International University Biscayne Bay Campus Study Update (2020)

An update of a 2011 Miami-Dade MPO study of Improving Access in the FIU Biscayne Bay Campus Work Area was undertaken earlier this year by the Florida Department of Transportation District 6 pursuant to a request by State Senator Jason Pizzo. During September 2020, multiple meetings were held with community stakeholders to present the Study Update and request public input.

Following these meetings, the FDOT considered all input and conducted additional research. A report to stakeholders will be presented at a **Virtual Public Workshop** on **Friday, January 29**<sup>th</sup> from **5:30 – 7:30 p.m.** Registration is open to the public and can be accessed here.

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January 29, 2021

5:30 p.m. Eastern Time

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# SFRPC to Host Regional Broadband Workshop in Partnership with Florida Department of Economic Opportunity's Office of Broadband

The Florida Office of Broadband at the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) is hosting a series of workshops to better understand regional needs for expanding broadband internet access across the



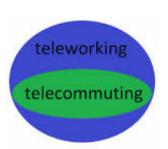
state. DEO is partnering with the Florida Regional Councils Association (FRCA) to the host workshops, to include leaders from various sectors of the state, including Libraries, K-12 Education, Colleges/Universities, Local Healthcare Providers, Private Businesses, Community Organizations, Economic Development Organizations, Local Governments, Tourism, Parks & Recreation, Agriculture, and Internet Service Providers.

As part of the FRCA, the South Florida Regional Planning Council (SFRPC) is one of the State's 10 Regional Planning Councils (RPCs) that will host its Workshop, to be held on February 9, 2020. The Council's role is to convene leaders and stakeholders from designated industries within South Florida to provide regional input and perspectives on broadband issues in the region. Council staffs will also assist with facilitating the session and prepare post-Workshop report for the DEO. The goal of the Broadband Workshops is to ultimately assist in the design of state programs and resources for broadband adoption, deployment, expansion, and resiliency. The information shared during the workshops will also be used in the development of the Florida Strategic Plan for Broadband.

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#### **Miami Dade TPO Travel Behavior Trend Analysis**

Council staff is undertaking a *COVID-19 Travel Behavior Trend Analysis* for the Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization (TPO). The goal of the work is to identify changes in travel patterns that occurred due to the pandemic and the related lockdowns and assess whether those trends will have long-term impacts on the use of the transportation network. The Analysis will include an analysis of overall traffic, as well as pedestrian, bicycle, freight, seaport, and airport activity. The results of the Council Analysis will assist the TPO in its multi-modal, long range transportation planning for Miami-Dade County. It is anticipated the Analysis will be completed by mid-summer 2021.



**Staff Contact:** Christina Miskis, Regional Planner, <a href="mailto:cmiskis@sfrpc.com">cmiskis@sfrpc.com</a>

#### **Revolving Loan Funds**



Since the commencement of the **EDA CARES RLF** in which the Council secured \$5.38 million from the U.S. Economic Development Administration to assist COVID-impacted business to alleviate sudden and severe economic displacement, the Council has lent out more than \$2.3 million (43.4%) to businesses in the four-county area of Monroe, Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach counties in record time.

If you have a COVID-impacted business, please visit <u>www.CARESActRLF.org</u> for additional information and application information.

Loan#	LOAN AMOUNT	COUNTY	CITY		
1	\$25,000 .00	Monroe	Key Largo		
2	\$30,000 .00	Monroe	Islamorada		
3	\$500,000.00	Broward	Pompano Beach		
4	\$85,000.00	Palm Beach	Palm Springs		
5	\$300,000.00	Miami- Dade	Miami		
6	\$35,000.00	Broward	Hollywood		
7	\$500,000.00	Monroe	Key West		
8	\$150,000.00	Monroe	Key West		
9	\$210,000.00	Broward	Miramar		
10	\$500,000.00	Miami- Dade	Miami Beach		

In addition to the **Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund**, the Council has operated a longstanding small business loan **Revolving Loan Fund** for more than 20 years. This traditional RLF has funds that can assist businesses with regular business needs. Please visit <a href="https://sfregionalcouncil.org/portfolio-items/revolving-loan-fund-rlf/">https://sfregionalcouncil.org/portfolio-items/revolving-loan-fund-rlf/</a>



"During difficult times when LEASA needed to borrow funds to keep the business afloat, SFRPC was there to help..." **Andrew Yap** – **LEASA Industries Co.** 

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# Clean Cities showcases and thanks Coalition Partners!

The Southeast Florida Clean Cities Coalition hosted three fantastic events in the month of December with the assistance

of Coalition Partners – City Furniture, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, and Broward County Paratransit.

- Dave Clevenger, Fleet Director at City Furniture, a national award-winning company with one
  of the top 25 CNG fleets in the nation, hosted a tour of their Compressed Natural Gas fleet at
  their Tamarac, Florida headquarters location. To view the tour and access useful information,
  please visit The City Furniture Fleet Tour: <a href="https://youtu.be/dl\_PPKiMHnQ">https://youtu.be/dl\_PPKiMHnQ</a>
- The Coalition co-hosted a Virtual Ride and Drive event with Dory Larsen, Program Manager, of the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy. It was an up-close look at a Tesla Model 3, providing in-depth knowledge on the use of electric vehicles. This Virtual Ride and Drive can be viewed at: https://youtu.be/- Mi45bkJ58
- The Coalition hosted a Propane Listening Session for the U.S. Department of Energy. The
  event featured Fleet Director Paul Strobis from Broward County Paratransit which focused on
  feedback from frontline users for research and development. You won't believe how
  fascinating propane can be. The Propane Listening Session: <a href="https://youtu.be/sXtbBH GZSs">https://youtu.be/sXtbBH GZSs</a>

**Staff Contact:** If your municipality, business, or organization would like to learn more about Clean Fuels and participate with the Coalition, please contact **Alisha Lopez**, **Coordinator**, <u>alopez@sfrpc.com</u>

#### **Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)**



As the South Florida Region's Economic Development District, the Council has the responsibility of updating the region's CEDS document every five years. Council staff has started preparing to invite the next CEDS Strategy Committee to convene under the leadership of the Council to formulate an approach for revitalizing the economic development strategy of the region by incorporating the new recommendations by the Economic Development Administration to increase the focus on economic resiliency as well as to take advantage of the

newly created Opportunity Zones. Over the next 16 months, Council staff will convene the CEDS Strategy Committee multiple times to gather input that will guide economic development investment. The updated CEDS document will be completed December 2021. **Staff Contact:** Mark Cassidy, MRP, Regional Planner, <a href="mailto:mcassidy@sfrpc.com">mcassidy@sfrpc.com</a>



#### **MEMORANDUM**

AGENDA ITEM #VII.A

DATE: JANUARY 25, 2021

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: ATTENDANCE FORM

Information only.

#### 2019 - 2020 ATTENDANCE RECORD

COUNCILMEMBERS	11/25/19	1/27/20	5/29/20	6/22/20	7/27/20	9/21/20	10/19/20	11/23/20
COUNCINENTERING			Virtual	Virtual	Virtual	Virtual	Virtual	Physical
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ASSEFF, Patricia	*	*	Р	Р	Р	Р	*	*
Governor's Appointee								
BAILEY, Mario, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair	Α	Α	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Governor's Appointee								
COLDIRON, Michelle	CC	Р	Р	Р	*	Р	Р	VP
Monroe County Commission								
CORRADINO, Joseph	*	*	Α	*	*	*	*	VP
Mayor, Village of Pinecrest								
DIAZ, José (Pepe)	*	*	*	Α	*	*	*	Α
Miami-Dade Co. Commission								
FURR, Beam, Secretary	Р	Р	*	Р	*	Р	Р	Р
Broward County Commission								
GELLER, Steve, Chair	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	VP
Broward County Commission								
GOLDBERG, Cary	CC	Р	Р	Р	Р	Α	Р	VP
Governor's Appointee								
KAUFMAN, Samuel, Treasurer	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	VP
Commissioner Key West								
LEONARD, Jordan	*	CC	Р	Р	Α	Р	Р	VP
Councilmember,								
Bay Harbor Islands								
MONESTIME, Jean	*	Α	Р	Р	*	*	Р	VP
Miami-Dade Co. Commission								
RICE, David	Α	*	Р	*	*	*	Α	Α
Monroe County Commission								
ROSS, Greg,	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	*	Р
Mayor, Cooper City								
UDINE, Michael	Р	*	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	VP
Broward County Commission								
ZIADE, Ana M.	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	Р
Mayor, North Lauderdale								

#### 2019 - 2020 ATTENDANCE RECORD

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ANDREOTTA, JASON	*	Р	Р	*	*	Р	*	*
Florida Dept. of Environmental								
Protection								
CORRY, Laura	Р	Р	*	Р	*	Р	Р	VP
South Florida Water								
Management District								
HUYNH, DAT	D	D	Р	Р	D	Р	Р	VP
Florida Dept. of Transportation								
Department of Economic Development	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

P = Present

VP = Virtually Present

A = Absent

D = Designee Present

\* = Excused Absence

- = Not Yet Appointed

CC = Via Conference Call

There were no meetings in March, June, August, or December of 2019

Joint Meeting October 25, 2019

There were no meetings in February, March, April, or August of 2020



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December 29, 2020

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Wildlife Conservation Commission
620 S. Meridian Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Dear Director Sutton and Secretary Valenstein:

On behalf of the South Florida and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Councils, thank you for your continuing efforts to safeguard Florida's fragile environmental and conservation resources. Over the last three years the SFRPC and TCRPC have worked in close partnership with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, and public, private, and nonprofit stakeholders to further public awareness, restoration, and protection of Florida's endangered coral reef spanning Miami-Dade through Martin counties, and Monroe County.

At its October 16, 2020 Joint Meeting, the Councils unanimously adopted Joint Resolution #20-01, related to Florida's Coral Reef ecosystem. A copy of the Resolution is included herewith for your review and information. The Councils have identified as a top priority the creation of a long-term coral reef conservation strategy for Florida's Coral Reef, including the Southeast Florida Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Area, before adverse impacts to the reef cannot be reversed.

We respectfully request that the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission elevate as a top priority the creation of this strategy during the upcoming year and beyond. As the lead environmental and conservation agencies

Secretary Noah Valenstein Director Eric Sutton December 29, 2020 Page 2 of 2

in the State of Florida, your leadership in this area is critically needed. The Councils commit to lend our support and assistance to this important effort.

Thank you in advance for your consideration, time, and assistance.

Sincerely yours,

**Steve Geller** 

**Broward County Mayor** 

Chair, SFRPC

Quentin "Beam" Furr

**Broward County Commissioner** 

Co-Chair, SFRPC / TCRPC

Florida's Coral Reef Working Group

Michael Houston

Chair, Treasure Coast RPC

Doug Smith

**Martin County Commissioner** 

Co-Chair, SFRPC / TCRPC

Florida's Coral Reef Working Group

#### Enclosure

cc Honorable Ron DeSantis, Governor

Commissioner Rodney Barreto, Chair, FWC

Thomas Reinert, Regional Director, FWC South Region

Joanna C. Walczak, Administrator, DEP Coral Protection and Restoration Program

Jason Andreotta, Director, DEP Southeast District

Jamie Monty, Southeast Regional Administrator, DEP Office of Resilience

and Coastal Protection

Jessica McCawley, Director, FWC Division of Marine Fisheries

Isabel Cosio Carballo, SFRPC Executive Director

Thomas Lanahan, TCRPC Executive Director





#### **RESOLUTION TCSF #20-01**

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTH FLORIDA AND TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS REPRESENTING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS OF MONROE, MIAMI-DADE, BROWARD, PALM BEACH, MARTIN, ST. LUCIE, AND INDIAN RIVER COUNTIES, FLORIDA; EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO THE GOVERNOR AND FLORIDA LEGISLATURE FOR LEADERSHIP AND FUNDING SUPPORT FOR FLORIDA'S CORAL REEF DURING THE 2020 LEGISLATIVE SESSION; URGING THE GOVERNOR AND FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ESTABLISH A LONG-TERM, RECURRING REVENUE SOURCE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE AND FLEXIBLE FUNDING FOR CORAL REEF DISEASE INTERVENTION AND RESTORATION AND TO BETTER ADDRESS HARMFUL ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS ENABLING THE DISEASE EPIDEMIC CRITICALLY DAMAGING FLORIDA'S CORAL REEF; REQUESTING THAT THE SOUTHEAST FLORIDA CORAL REEF ECOSYSTEM CONSERVATION AREA ESTABLISHED IN 2018 (FS 253.90) BE RENAMED THE KRISTIN JACOBS SOUTHEAST FLORIDA CORAL REEF ECOSYSTEM CONSERVATION AREA IN HONOR OF LATE REPRESENTATIVE JACOBS' UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO THE CORAL REEF AND ENVIRONMENT; REQUESTING THAT THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND FLORIDA FISH AND CONSERVATION COMMISSION COLLABORATE TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A LONG-TERM CORAL REEF CONSERVATION STRATEGY; SUPPORTING FEDERAL LEGISLATION FOR INCREASED FUNDING OF RESPONSE ACTIVITIES AND CODIFICATION OF THE CORAL REEF TASK FORCE AS CALLED FOR IN SENATE BILL 2429 AND HOUSE RESOLUTION 4160; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the South Florida and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Councils' seven county geographical area is comprised of Broward, Indian River, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Palm Beach, and St. Lucie counties and 122 municipalities, with more than 6.8 million residents or nearly one-third of the State's population, responsible for generating over one-third of the State's gross domestic product; and

WHEREAS, Florida's Coral Reef runs parallel to our coastline from Monroe County north to Martin County, and is a valuable national resource that protects our shores and beaches by reducing wave energy from storms and hurricanes, providing flood protection valued at over \$675 million per year and over \$1 billion during extreme weather events; and

WHEREAS, Florida's Coral Reef ecosystem provides a vital marine habitat for over 6,000 species, including species found nowhere else on earth; and

WHEREAS, this habitat is essential to the state's commercial fishing and tourism industries, supports over 71,000 jobs within the region, and generates over \$6 billion in positive economic impact annually; and

WHEREAS, protection of Florida's Coral Reef is essential for ensuring the continued protection of our shorelines, coastal food sources, cultural practices, biomedical opportunities, and coastal economies that are a direct result of our coral reefs; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that coastal ocean waters are under great user pressure and suffer from water quality degradation that has compromised the resiliency of the Florida Coral Reef and its habitat; and

WHEREAS, the global threat and impacts to coral reefs continue to grow which, coupled with local stressors, is evidenced by coral reefs declining at an alarming rate; and

WHEREAS, a coral disease outbreak of unknown origin originated offshore of Miami-Dade County in fall 2014 and has persisted and continued to spread and affect new reefs from the Marquesas west of Monroe County to the northernmost coral reefs in Martin County, harming roughly 50 percent of the coral species present in Florida's Coral Reef; and

WHEREAS, the coral disease epidemic is causing near total mortality of vulnerable species present on Florida's Coral Reef, including reef-building coral species and species listed under the Endangered Species Act, resulting in an increasing threat to fragile ecosystems that support Florida's fisheries and protect our coasts; and

**WHEREAS**, a collaborative, multi-organizational/multi-disciplinary emergency response has formed to address this grave threat; and

**WHEREAS**, inaction will ensure near extinction of these susceptible species throughout Florida's Coral Reef; and

**WHEREAS**, the coral disease has spread from Florida to nine locations throughout the Caribbean, with the potential threat of introduction into the Pacific Ocean; and

WHEREAS, U.S. Senators Marco Rubio (R-FL) and Rick Scott (R-FL) and Representative Darren Soto (D-FL 9th) introduced the Restoring Resilient Reefs Act of 2020 designed to reauthorize and update the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000 to support the conservation of U.S. reefs, including through five years of directed federal funding, technical assistance to jurisdictions for coral reef management and restoration, and the codification of the U.S. Coral Reef Task Force; and

WHEREAS, the South Florida and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Councils (Councils) wish to thank the Governor and Legislature for their leadership, support, and vital funding provided during the 2020 Legislative Session for the purposes specified below; and

WHEREAS, the Councils urge the Governor and Legislature to continue these efforts and establish a long-term, recurring revenue source to provide adequate and flexible funding that would provide dedicated resources to help find solutions necessary to protect Florida's Coral Reef; and

WHEREAS, the Southeast Florida Coral Reef Conservation Area which encompasses sovereign submerged lands and state waters offshore of Broward, Martin, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach counties from the St. Lucie Inlet in the north to the northern boundary of Biscayne National Park in the south was established in 2018 pursuant to the multi-year, untiring efforts of State Representative Kristin Jacobs of Broward County and regional stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, the Councils urge the Governor and Legislature to honor the late Representative Kristin Jacobs (1959-2020) by commemorating her many contributions on behalf of the Coral Reef and environment by renaming this conservation area the "Kristin Jacobs Southeast Florida Coral Reef Conservation Area"; and

WHEREAS, the Councils support and urge the Florida Department of Environmental Projection and Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to work collaboratively to develop and implement as soon as possible a long-term coral reef conservation strategy for Florida's Coral Reef, including the Southeast Florida Coral Reef Conservation Area, before adverse impacts to the reef cannot be reversed.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SOUTH FLORIDA AND TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS THAT:

The Councils request that Florida's Governor and Legislature establish a long-term, recurring revenue source to provide adequate and flexible funding to support:

- 1) dedicated staff resources for coral reef disease response and restoration efforts;
- 2) infrastructure and capacity needed to maintain reproductive coral populations across the Florida Reef Tract;
- 3) infrastructure and capacity needed for assisted reproduction and propagation of corals and coral reef-associated species for future ecosystem restoration efforts;
- 4) in-water and land-based priority research focused on pathogen identification and disease response strategies;
- 5) restoration of coastal water quality through urban wastewater infrastructure upgrades; accelerated coastal septic to sewer conversions focused on local governments with matching fund programs; improved stormwater treatment;

- expedited closure of ocean wastewater outfalls; and additional strategies to greatly reduce nutrient loading from all human sources and pathways; and
- 6) augmenting the new "Florida's Coral Reef" awareness campaign, launched by the Governor in January 2020, and created by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) and other partners to increase recognition and cultivate a sense of environmental stewardship for Florida's Coral Reef. The website <a href="https://www.FloridasCoralReef.org">www.FloridasCoralReef.org</a> provides information on the latest issues and restoration efforts affecting Florida's Coral Reef and was a direct result of the recommendation from the 2018 local business leaders meeting co-hosted by the FDEP and convened by the South Florida and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Councils.

The Councils support new Federal legislation which should include the following:

- 1) measures which ensure effective, science-based protection and management of coral reefs;
- 2) codification of the United States Coral Reef Task Force;
- 3) increased funding, including an increase in direct funding of Jurisdictional Coral Reef Management Agencies; and
- 4) support for adaptive restoration activities.

The Councils additionally urge:

- the Governor and Legislature to honor the late Representative Kristin Jacobs and commemorate her many contributions on behalf of the Coral Reef and environment by renaming this conservation area the "Kristin Jacobs Southeast Florida Coral Reef Conservation Area"; and
- 2) the Florida Department of Environmental Projection and Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to work collaboratively to develop and implement as soon as possible a long-term coral reef conservation strategy for the Southeast Florida Coral Reef Conservation Area before adverse impacts to the reef cannot be reversed.

**UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED** by the South Florida and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Councils this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

Commissioner Steve Geller

**Broward County** 

Acting Chair, South Florida RPC

Michael Houston

Chair, Treasure Coast RPC

#### After fish kill, Miami-Dade has a new Biscayne advocate: a 'chief bay officer'

#### **BY DOUGLAS HANKS**

JANUARY 08, 2021 09:02 PM, UPDATED JANUARY 08, 2021 09:12 PM

Miami-Dade County has a new position: chief bay officer, a post created after fish kills raised alarms in the summer of 2020 about the health of Biscayne Bay. *GETTY IMAGES* 

Irela Bagué, who headed a task force that laid out steps needed to restore the health of Biscayne Bay, will serve as Miami-Dade's first "chief bay officer" under Mayor Daniella Levine Cava.

Levine Cava <u>announced the appointment Friday night.</u> The position was created under the administration of Mayor Carlos Gimenez, after fish kills in the northern bay sparked broader alarm about pollution issues environmentalists have been warning about for years.



Irela Bagué will serve as Miami-Dade's new "chief bay officer."

A release announcing the position described it as an advisory post and one that will serve as a go-between for the various agencies charged with protecting water quality and regulating activity around the bay, both at the county level and with the state and federal government. The compensation is \$140,000 a year, the mayor's office said.

Bagué owns a public-affairs consulting firm, the Bagué Group, that specializes in environmental issues.

"As a longtime advocate of Biscayne Bay restoration and water resources, it is an absolute honor to serve as Miami-Dade County's first Chief Bay Officer ... to help chart a long-term course for a resilient and healthy Bay," Bagué said in a statement.

Creation of the bay officer post was one of the recommendations from the Biscayne Bay task force, which released its report before the August fish kill.

In the release, Levine Cava said Bagué "brings deep subject matter expertise and an outstanding career as an advocate and communicator to this critical role helping move forward policies to preserve and protect the Bay."

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#### **ENVIRONMENT**

# Florida and Miami-Dade agree to spend \$20 million restoring Biscayne Bay

#### **BY ALEX HARRIS**

DECEMBER 21, 2020 01:06 PM, UPDATED DECEMBER 21, 2020 03:32 PM

Governor Ron DeSantis held a press conference regarding Biscayne Bay resiliency on Monday, December 21. BY THE FLORIDA CHANNEL

Biscayne Bay is getting a new infusion of cash to fund restoration projects for its water, seagrass and coral reef — all of which are suffering under the strain of pollution and climate change.

Gov. Ron DeSantis announced the new \$10 million in funding, which Miami-Dade County will match for a total of \$20 million, at a press conference in Key Biscayne on Monday. The event was billed as a resilience-focused one, but none of the speakers mentioned sea level rise or climate change.

Miami-Dade has already identified \$5 million in restoration projects, and the state agreed to split the costs. The projects include water-quality analyses to identify pollution hot spots the county should tackle first, technology to predict where sewage spills may occur and an outreach program for residents in areas with failing septic tanks to figure out how willing they are to convert to sewer. One of the projects would also pay for \$1.15 million in new sewage lines, which make it more affordable for homeowners to get connected.

"For Miami-Dade to be able to say 'absolutely, we have skin in the game' makes it very easy for me to say 'of course, let's get this done," DeSantis said. "We will continue to work with folks in Miami-Dade County to make that happen."

Florida's part of the money comes from an annual set-aside of \$625 million from NOAA that usually goes largely toward Everglades restoration funding.

DeSantis and Noah Valenstein, head of Florida's Department of Environmental Protection, both stressed the administration's commitment to Everglades restoration, including highlighting the importance of a new reservoir south of Lake Okeechobee.

"We now get to talk about Everglades restoration projects not in terms of decades or will it happen at all, but we broke ground on the EAA [Everglades Agricultural Area] reservoir in under three years," Valenstein said.

That contradicts new Senate President Wilton Simpson, a Republican, who recently <u>called the reservoir a mistake</u> and suggested the state couldn't afford it.

# ADDITIONAL MATERIAL

Regular Meeting JANUARY 12, 2021

# FDOT PRESENTATION SUBMITTED AT THE REQUEST OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

# **Broward County Board of County Commissioners**

Broward Commuter Rail Update FDOT District 4

January 12, 2021



# **Today's Agenda**

- » Importance of Commuter Rail and History of the Corridor
- » Miami-Dade Northeast Corridor
- » New River Crossing Feasibility Study
- » Eligibility for Federal Funding
- » Broward Commuter Rail Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study
- » MOU and Next Steps

**Broward County Board of County Commissioners** 

## **Why Commuter Rail is Important**

#### » FEC is Florida's densest urban corridor with Broward at the center

- 2 million people in the corridor from Miami to Jupiter
- Density will exceed 13,000 people per square mile by 2040
- Sustainability, regional connectivity, economic development

#### » The region's economic core

- Over 1 million jobs in the corridor
- 3 CBDs, 3 international airports, 3 seaports and 27 downtowns
- Extensive rail, truck, and marine freight

#### » The region's transportation core

- 3 million daily auto trips in the corridor comprise 1/5<sup>th</sup> of region's travel
- Highways are beyond capacity



## **History of the Corridor**

#### » 2004 - 2010:

- MPOs and FEC request regional Transit Study by FDOT
- FDOT held over 400 public meetings to develop System Master Plan
- Resolutions of support from Broward MPO, Palm Beach MPO and cities

#### » 2012:

- Refined Master Plan for 85-mile commuter rail service from Miami to Jupiter
- Integrated extension of Tri-Rail on shared tracks with FEC freight
- All Aboard Florida (AAF) announced from Miami to Orlando

#### » 2013:

- MPOs authorize request for Entry into FTA New Starts Project Development (PD)
- 25 stations identified for further evaluation in PD&E

#### » 2014:

- FDOT & SFRTA formally request Entry into PD from FTA
- FTA and FRA later agree to put PD request on hold to avoid confusion with AAF



## **History of the Corridor**

#### » 2018:

- Brightline starts revenue service from Miami to West Palm Beach
- Miami-Dade begins negotiating track access
- Broward passes penny surtax
- Phased project implementation based on local funding share by county

#### » 2019:

- FDOT conducts New River Crossing Feasibility Study

#### » 2020:

- Miami-Dade County Resolutions for ongoing track access negotiations
- Broward continues dialogue with Brightline and FDOT
- Broward and FDOT draft MOU to advance commuter rail project



### **Miami-Dade Northeast Corridor**

#### » Commuter rail on FEC tracks from Miami to Aventura

- Downtown Miami station jointly funded as public-private partnership
- Negotiating track access as a 90-year lease with annual payments for 30 years
- Operator to be determined
- Construction and O&M agreements pending

#### » Project development ongoing

- Selection of stations with cities and stakeholders' participation and funding
- ½ cent surtax available for local capital match and O&M funding





## **New River Crossing Feasibility Study**

New River Crossing Feasibility Study completed in 2019 for Florida Legislature

- » Stakeholder and Agency Coordination
  - Broward County and Broward MPO
  - Marine Industry Association
  - Marine Advisory Board
  - City of Fort Lauderdale and DDA
  - US Coast Guard, Brightline, FECR

#### » Constraints

- Maintain maritime, passenger and freight rail operations
- Existing bascule bridge and tracks to remain in service
- Accommodate east-west premium transit at second level
- Connect to Brightline station downtown



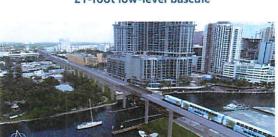
» Identified 4 alternatives for consideration in PD&E, potential funding sources and next steps

# **New River Crossing Feasibility Study**

One alternative to be selected during upcoming PD&E



21-foot low-level bascule



80-foot high-level fixed bridge



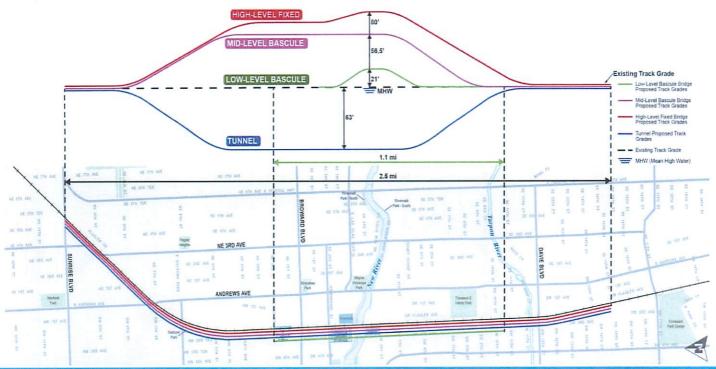
56-foot mid-level bascule



Tunnel beneath New River

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# **New River Crossing Feasibility Study**



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## **Maintain eligibility for Federal Funds**

- » Apply for federal grants and loans for design, construction and O&M
  - Must follow all NEPA and federal rules to remain eligible
  - Shorter process but each grant must be secured independently
  - Grants are typically smaller than FTA capital improvements grants
  - Loans are also available
- » Enter the FTA Capital Improvement Grant (CIG) process
  - New Starts has 3 phases Project Development, Engineering and Full Funding Grant Agreement
    - Longer process with stringent requirements; projects above \$300 million
    - Must complete Project Development within 2 years of entry
  - Small Starts has 2 phases Project Development and Small Starts Grant Agreement
    - For projects less than \$300 million and requesting a grant less than \$100 million



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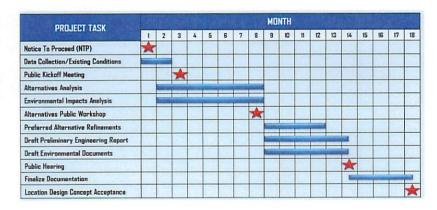
### **Broward Commuter Rail PD&E Milestones**

- Project Scope, study limits and logical termini (FDOT/County)
- Stakeholder Support Letters and/or Resolutions of Support (County)
- FTA and USCG Meetings & Determination of NEPA Class of Action (FDOT/County)
- PD&E Study Schedule, Agency & Public Kickoff Meetings (FDOT/County)
- MPO Board, Stakeholder Meetings and Presentations (County/FDOT)
- Track Access Agreement to construct, operate and maintain commuter rail service (County/FDOT)
- Draft and Final Financial Analysis and Funding Plan (County/FDOT)
- Alternatives Public Workshop (FDOT/County)
- Submittal of draft environmental document to the FTA and distribution to the public (FDOT)
- Public Hearing on the draft environmental document (FDOT/County)
- Issuance of the final environmental action (FDOT)

#### **Broward Commuter Rail PD&E Schedule**

#### » PD&E will be conducted by FDOT

- Assumes Categorical Exclusion Type 2
- Requires advance coordination with FTA and USCG
- FDOT will streamline the approximately 18-month schedule wherever possible
- Timeframe includes federal reviews and public hearing
- Elevated class of action or entry into FTA CIG process may result in a longer schedule



## **Broward Commuter Rail PD&E Study**

- » Broward County has been an active participant from the start
  - County coordinating with Brightline and FDOT
  - Downtown Brightline station was in service prior to COVID-19
  - Broward County and FDOT to execute MOU for PD&E in Broward
    - Includes FLL Airport station; other stations to be evaluated with local participation
    - Penny surtax funds available as local match to obtain state and federal funds
- » FDOT has funds and consultant under contract for PD&E Study
  - Environmental Analysis of Commuter Rail on FEC railroad
  - Aventura to Deerfield Beach including Pompano Crossover
  - Includes continued evaluation of the crossing at the New River
- » Broward County responsibilities for PD&E
  - Stakeholder support
  - Financial plan
  - Identify local share of capital costs and annual O&M funds
  - Track access, construction and O&M agreements



JAN 12, 2021

## **MOU and Next Steps**







#### » Broward County

- Execute MOU and establish Project Executive Committee
- Responsibilities per MOU
  - Coordination with FDOT, SFRTA, Brightline, Grupo Mexico, FECR, cities and other stakeholders to gain stakeholder support
  - Financial plan including local match for capital cost and O&M
  - Agreements for track access, construction and O&M

#### » FDOT

- Execute MOU and establish Project Executive Committee
- Responsibilities per MOU
  - · Coordination with Broward County, FTA and USCG
  - PD&E from Aventura to Deerfield Beach including New River Crossing
  - Public Involvement during PD&E
  - · Coordinate with other transit initiatives
  - Establish project delivery method in coordination with Broward County



# **Questions?**









# Agenda

Bottom Line Up Front: Challenge & Request

SFDA Background

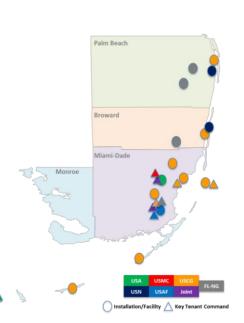
SFRPC – SFDA Partnership Opportunity



# **Bottom-Line Up Front**

## **Seeking SFRPC – SFDA Partnership to Address Resilience Challenges**

## **Help Protect this...**



**Annual Regional Impact** 

\$16.1 Billion 155,000+ Jobs



#4 in State #1 in Growth!!!

## ...From This!



### **Key South Florida Installations in the DoD Resilience "Cross-Hairs"**



U.S. Air Force List

3. Hurlburt Field, FL

JB Charleston, SC

4. Patrick AFB, FL

6. Dover AFB, DE 7. Homestead ARB, FL

8. MacDill AFB, FL

2. Eglin AFB, FL

Vandenberg AFB, CA

#### **OSD Report - USA**

- Fort Hood, TX
- 2. SOUTHCOM/USAG-M, FL
- MOTCO, CA
- 4. NGIC. VA
- Camp Roberts, CA
- 6. Reagan Ops Center, AL
- 7. Pine Bluff Arsenal, AR
- 8. Fort Gordon, GA
- 9. Fort Shafter, HI
- 10. Fort Detrick, MD

#### **OSD Report - USN**

- 1. NAS Key West, FL
- NSB Kings Bay, GA
- 3. NB, Guam
- 4. JB Pearl Harbor, HI
- Wahiawa Annex, HI
- NAVMAG Indian Id. WA
- 7. NB Coronado, CA
- NB San Diego, CA
- JB Anacostia, DC
- 10. Washington Navy YD, DC USMC

Support Facility Blount Island, FL

#### **OSD Report - USAF**

- Hill AFB, UT
- Beale AFB, CA
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- Greeley ANG Station, CO
- Eglin AFB, FL
- Patrick AFB, FL
- JB Andrews, MD
- Malmstrom AFB, MT
- Tinker AFB. OK
- 9. Tyndall AFB, FL Shaw AFB, SC 10. JB Langley-Eustis, VA

All Three South Florida "Signature Facilities" on Top-10 Lists



# Why a Defense Alliance?

Advocate: 24 Commands and 15 Installations

Support: 56,000 active, reserve, guard service-

members, civilians and their families

Assist: Over 230,000 veterans in our 4 counties

**Grow:** Economic impact of \$16.1B and 155+K jobs

**Enhance:** Increased military missions and latest

advanced technology and equipment

Protect: Encroachment, realignment or BRAC

Champion: Value of our strategic location, training

sites and installations

**Need:** Strong consistent, single voice to tell our story

and change perceptions

Unite: Local, state and federal efforts



















Other Military Concentration Areas Had

Representation

South Florida

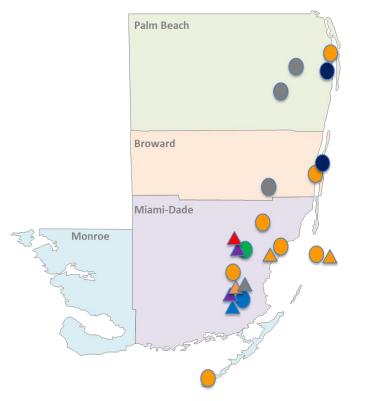
Previously Lacked Similar Regional

Representation

# **Strategic Value**



- ❖ ~30% of state population
- ❖ ~32% of Florida's GSP
- \* 34 of 120 State House Districts
- \* 12 of 40 State Senate Districts
- ❖ 9 of 27 Federal Districts
- 24+ Military Commands
- ❖ 15+ Installations
- 25,000 service-members



- 2 Major Seaports
- 2 Major Airports
- Strategic Defense Location
- Gateway to Americas...





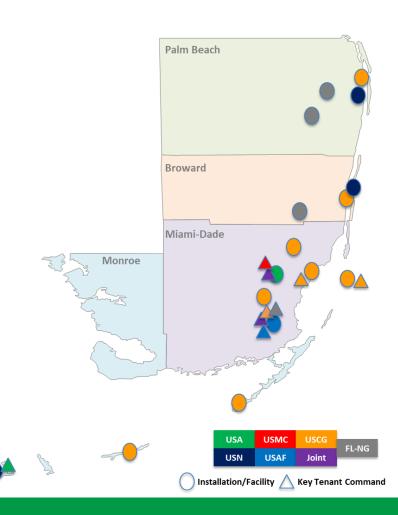




# **Recent Focus Areas**

#### **REGIONAL**

- Doing Business with the Military
  - Aerospace/aviation
  - Medical
- eMerge Americas Defense-track & Partnership
- National Security Innovation Network (NSIN)
- Space Force New Opportunities
- Cost of Living Challenges
- Resilience
  - Mil-Civ engagement
  - Regional approach



# COMMANDS & INSTALLATIONS

- SOUTHCOM Housing
- SOCSOUTH Land-use
- HARB Increased Missions
- HARB F-35 Basing
- HARB Encroachment / Compatible Development
- HARB NG Expansion
- USCG Base Miami Beach Encroachment



**DoD Innovation** 

**Commercial &** 

**Technology** 

100+

#### **State Federal** FLORIDA CHAMBER of Commerce DE NSIN DEFENSE SUPPORT A F W E R X SOFWERX MIAMI-DADE COUNTY greater miami chamber of commerce eMerge Americas APPGATE **-GMAN** SOUTHDADE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PALM BEACH COUNTY'S CYBRAICS **ASP** FIU GT GreenbergTraurig **WRM NEORIS DEFENSE** COMMUNITIES STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA SOUTH MIAMI-DADE FAIRCHILD Adrienne Arsht-**Rockefeller** Foundation **Resilience Center** c&s The Nature Conservancy Miami Dade College Non-Profit & **Academic** Community

# **Key Partners**

County & Municipal



**Economic Development** 



# SFRPC – Opportunity to Expand Relationships & Engagement

WHO: SFRPC & SFDA coordinate on grant from DoD Office of Local Defense Community

**Cooperation (formerly Office of Economic Adjustment)** 

WHAT: Collaborative effort between SFRPC & SFDA to develop and lead regional DoD

Military Installation Resilience grant/study

WHERE: Regional coverage (primarily Broward / Miami-Dade / Monroe)

WHY:

- Improve community-military integration to address resilience challenges
- Protect regional installations from declining budget environment
- Set foundation to leverage multiple other authorities & programs for follow-on solutions

**WHEN:** Now – leverage state grant as matching funds



# **Key South Florida Installations in the DoD Resilience "Cross-Hairs"**



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- 7. JB Andrews, MD
- 8. Malmstrom AFB, MT
- 9. Tinker AFB, OK
- 10. Shaw AFB, SC

#### **U.S. Air Force List**

- 1. Vandenberg AFB, CA
- 2. Eglin AFB, FL
- 3. Hurlburt Field, FL
- 4. Patrick AFB, FL
- 5. JB Charleston, SC
- 6. Dover AFB, DE
- 7. Homestead ARB, FL
- 8. MacDill AFB, FL
- 9. Tyndall AFB, FL
- 10. JB Langley-Eustis, VA



# Coverage & Engagement

#### **Installations / Facilities:**

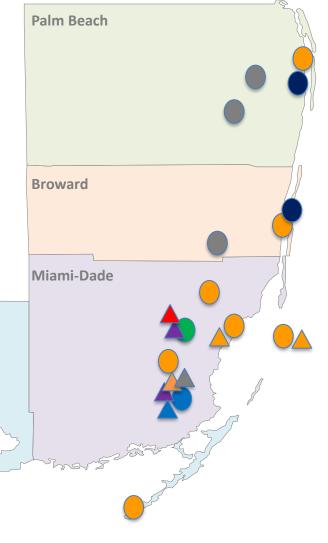
- USAG-Miami
- Homestead ARB
- NAS Key West
- USCG
  - Base Miami Beach
  - Air Station Miami
  - D7 Headquarters
  - STA Lake Worth
  - STA Ft. Lauderdale
  - STA Miami Beach
  - STA Islamorada
  - STA Marathon
  - STA Key West
  - Richmond Heights
- FLARNG Armories
- NUWC Det AUTEC
- NSWC Det SFOMF

#### **Key Tenant Commands:**

- SOUTHCOM
- MARFORSOUTH
- 482<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Wing
- 125<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing Det (FLANG)
- FLARNG 50<sup>th</sup> RSG
- SOCSOUTH
- USCG District 7
- USCG Sector Miami
- USCG Sector Key West
- JIATF-S
- Army Dive School

#### **Other Commands:**

- (17) USCG Cutters
- (3) USCG ANTs
- (1) USCG MSD
- (1) USCG COE



#### **Key Civilian Participants:**

- South Florida Regional Planning Council
- Palm Beach County
- Broward County
- Miami-Dade County
- Monroe County
- Quad-County CROs
- Southeast Florida Regional Climate Compact

Miami

Miami-Beach

Homestead

Key West

Islamorada

Marathon

- Cities of:
  - West Palm Beach
  - Riviera Beach
  - Fort Lauderdale
  - TOTE Education
  - Dania BeachOpa Locka
  - **-** Danal
  - Doral
- University of Miami
- Florida International University
- Nova Southeastern University
- Florida Atlantic University
- Miami-Dade College
- Atlantic Council Arsht Resilience Center
- Center for Climate & Security
- American Security Project
- Association of Defense Communities
- Union of Concerned Scientists
- Other local/regional organizations







Monroe



**USMC** 

**USAF** 

USA

USN

USCG

**Joint** 

FL-NG



# Questions?



# Back-Up



# Purpose & Goals

### Unite, Grow and Champion the South Florida Defense Community

- Create a single, unified and consistent voice
- Coalesce community support around our defense community and industries
- Promote, preserve and enhance our local military missions and installations
- Attract, retain, expand defense related industry, academic study and research
- Promote and facilitate resilient installations, personnel & compatible community development
- Advocate for our military commands, service-members and families to enhance their quality of life ... making South Florida more "military friendly"

NOTE: The terms defense and military also include DHS organizations, such as USCG, DEA, ICE, CBP...



# **Key Team Members**



#### Steven C. Williamson, COL, USA (Ret), President of the Board, South Florida Defense Alliance

Steve possesses over 25 years as a senior Army Engineer and subsequent years in the public and private sectors enhancing community-military collaboration. Through broad expertise and experience, he has led community-driven, cooperative strategic plans creating valued and lasting solutions resulting in an effective balance between military readiness, defense capabilities and continued local economic growth.



#### Rick Miller, CAPT, USN (Ret), Executive Director

Rick has over 26 years of operational military experience across all the world's oceans, including command at sea. He served multiple staff assignments with the Navy Headquarters and Joint Chiefs of Staff in strategic planning and financial programming roles. In this capacity, he worked closely with the U.S. Congress and White Office in formulating defense policy and budgets. Additionally, he served on the personal staffs of both the Chief and Vice Chief of Naval Operations, and as a special assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Following the military, he was an operations executive in the commercial maritime industry and run a consulting and technology integration practice.



#### Rob Polumbo, Maj Gen, USAF (Ret), Executive Consultant

Rob served over 32 years in the Air Force culminating as the Special Assistant to the Commander, Air Force Reserve Command. As an F-16 fighter pilot and First Officer with a major airline, Rob has extensive senior executive experience with Department of Defense and business sector enterprises. He has led and advised organizations to train, organize and equip multi-national and joint-service teams with global objectives. He has extensive knowledge in veteran affairs and the development of strong community-military relationships.



#### Pamela Berkowsky, Defense Consultant

Pamela is an accomplished senior management executive and Fulbright Scholar who has served in both federal and state governments. Her Pentagon tenure includes service as Assistant Chief of Staff to the Secretary of Defense, Special Assistant to the Under Secretary of the Navy, and Special Assistant to the Under Secretary for Acquisition. She coordinated DOD's WMD preparedness programs and served as its liaison to the National Security Council. She served as Chief of Staff to the Governor of the U.S. Virgin Islands, managing the territory's federal and international affairs and leading initiatives in healthcare, education reform and economic development.



#### Dennis Daley, Col, USAF (Ret), Operational Consultant

Dennis served 24 years flying the F-4 and F-16 fighter aircrafts with 6 years as the 482nd Fighter Wing Mission Support Group Commander at Homestead Air Reserve Base. He exercised direct command over the installation and facilities, the airfield, 1,400 personnel in 19 organizations, and managed an annual budget exceeding \$47 million. Dennis has extensive base-level BRAC experience as well as a firm grasp of the military-public-private role for military, state and congressional programs.