



SOUTHWEST Florida Regional Planning COUNCIL

MEDIA SUMMARY

March 18, 2010

1. AGENDA ADOPTION

Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council (SWFRPC) will consider changes or additions to its agenda of March 18, 2010.

2. MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 18, 2010, SWFRPC MEETING

Draft minutes of the February 18, 2010, meeting of the SWFRPC will be reviewed and considered for approval.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Intergovernmental Coordination and Review

Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council will finalize administrative and intergovernmental applications submitted under the Florida Intergovernmental Coordination and Review process.

B. Financial Statements (February 2010)

Financial statements of February 2010 will be presented for the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council's perusal and approval.

C. Estero Bay Agency on Bay Management - Bylaws

The SWFRPC will consider changes to the Bylaws of the Estero Bay Agency on Bay Management.

D. Collier County Comprehensive Plan Amendments

Proposed amendments to the *Collier County Comprehensive Plan* will be reviewed by the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council for consistency with the *Southwest Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan*.

E. Lee County Red Sox Stadium Development of Regional Impact – Development Order Review

On December 17, 2009, the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council recommended conditional approval of the Lee County Red Sox Ballpark and Spring Training Complex. The Lee County Board of Commissioners subsequently approved the project's development order, February 15, 2010. Regional staff review of the development order finds that it is conceivably consistent with all regional issues and recommendations identified within the Council's recommendations.

F. North Port Gardens Development of Regional Impact – Request for Extension

The applicant for the North Port Gardens Development of Regional Impact project is seeking a sixty (60) day extension to its deadline for responding to the Application for Development Approval's sufficiency questions. The new proposed deadline for sufficiency responses would be May 26, 2010. Regional staff recommends approval of the extension.

G. Florida Gulf Coast Technology & Research Park Development of Regional Impact – Request for Extension

The applicant for the Florida Gulf Coast Technology and Research Park Development of Regional Impact project is seeking a ninety (90) day extension to its deadline for responding to the Application for Development Approval's sufficiency questions. The new proposed deadline for sufficiency responses would be June 24, 2010. Regional staff recommends approval of the extension.

4. HARBORVIEW SUBSTANTIAL DEVIATION DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT – STAFF ASSESSMENT

The Harborview Development of Regional Impact site is located on a 653 acre parcel immediately north and adjacent to the Peace River on both sides of the I-75 Interchange and Harborview Road. The project was originally approved in 1992. The project is to be constructed in eight one year phases starting in 2011 with a 2018 buildout. It calls for a mixture of office, commercial, recreational, residential, and preservation uses. The planned marina and canals are not recommended for approval at the proposed locations. The recommended location is at the boat ramp site in the west village area. Regional staff recommends conditional approval of the Harborview Development of Regional Impact project to be further conditioned on a finding of consistency with the local government comprehensive plan by the Charlotte County Board of Commissioners.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES

A. Lower West Coast Watersheds Implementation Committee

The following issues are up for dialogue and contemplation:

- SWFRPC Resolution #2010-02, Resolution of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council In Support of the Federal Law Concerning Emerging Substances of Concern – Principal Planner David Crawford.
- Opposition to State Fertilizer Rule Preemption of Local Ordinances Letter – Principal Planner Jim Beever

B. SWFRPC Quarterly Budget Committee Report – Ms. Laura Holquist

Ms. Laura Holquist will guide the discussion regarding the budget of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council.

6. REGIONAL ISSUES

A. Census 2010 Presentation – Ms. Marcela Rice, U.S. Census Bureau

Ms. Marcela Rice of the U.S. Census Bureau will brief Southwest Florida's elected officials of the push by federal officials to generate accurate census counts. Also, she will share activities local officials can employ to support the process.

B. Legislative Issues Update – Executive Director Ken Heatherington

This agenda item is noted to afford an open dialogue concerning important legislative issues and priorities.

C. Other Regional Issues – Executive Director Ken Heatherington

This agenda item affords time for other regional issues to be deliberated by the body. Additionally, a discussion will occur regarding off-shore oil and gas drilling.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This agenda item affords an opportunity for members of the public to openly discuss and bring issues to the attention of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council. The public is encouraged to attend all meetings of the SWFRPC. Prior registration and approval by the SWFRPC to speak before the assembly are required.

8. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Executive Director Ken Heatherington of the SWFRPC will provide a digest of pertinent issues facing the region and state.

9. STATE AGENCIES COMMENTS/REPORTS

- Florida Department of Environmental Protection
- Florida Department of Transportation
- South Florida Water Management District
- Southwest Florida Water Management District
- Southwest Florida's Economic Development Programs
- Southwest Florida School Boards
- Southwest Florida Stewardship Alliance

10. COUNSEL'S COMMENTS

Counsel of the SWFRPC is afforded time to advise the body of pertinent legal issues confronting the jurisdiction.

11. COUNCIL'S MEMBERS COMMENTS

Officials of the SWFRPC are allowed a brief opportunity to share information regarding unique activities in their respective communities, or projects for future consideration.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment signals the close of all proceedings of the official monthly meeting.