



## **SOUTHWEST Florida Regional Planning COUNCIL (SWFRPC)**

# **MEDIA SUMMARY**

**May 20, 2010**

### **1. AGENDA ADOPTION**

Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council (SWFRPC) will consider changes or additions to its agenda of May 20, 2010.

### **2. MINUTES OF THE APRIL 15, 2010, SWFRPC MEETING**

Draft minutes of the April 15, 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 (April 2010) & Grant Activity Sheets**

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

#### **C. City of Fort Myers Comprehensive Plan Amendments**

Proposed amendments to the *City of Fort Myers Comprehensive Plan* will be reviewed by the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council for consistency with the *Southwest Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan*.

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**E. City of Cape Coral Comprehensive Plan Amendments**

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**F. Alico Interchange Development of Regional Impact (DRI) – Development Order Review**

On October 15, 2009, the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council recommended conditional approval of the Alico Interchange Park Substantial Deviation Development of Regional Impact Application for Development Approval. The project was subsequently approved by the Lee County Board of Commissioners, April 19, 2010. The approval was subject to regional conditions relating to affordable housing, energy, historical and archaeological sites, storm water management, transportation, vegetation and wildlife, water, water supply/wastewater management, and wetlands. A copy of the development order was rendered to the SWFRPC, April 30, 2010. Regional review finds that it is consistent with all regional issues and recommendation identified within the SWFRPC's official recommendations. The SWFRPC will consider the development order as rendered.

**G. Miromar Lakes Development of Regional Impact (DRI) – Notice of Proposed Change**

The Miromar Lakes Development of Regional Impact (DRI) application was originally approved by Lee County, November 29, 1999. The 1,271 acre mixed-use project is located in the unincorporated south central portion of Lee County east of I-75 near Alico Road and Corkscrew Road.

Regional staff has concluded that there is a concern regarding panther mitigation. A recommendation is that the applicant contacts the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to resolve the issue. As such, the recommendation is to notify Lee County, the Florida Department of Community Affairs, and the applicant that the proposed change will not create additional regional impacts. However, a wildlife issue has been identified. Further, Regional staff recommends that Lee County provide copies of any development approvals and related materials to the SWFRPC for review to ensure consistency with the recommended NOPC change.

**H. North Port Gardens Development of Regional Impact – Sufficiency Response Extension**

The applicant for the North Port Gardens Development of Regional Impact project is seeking a thirty (30) 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 25, 2010. Regional staff recommends approval of the extension. The Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council will consider the request.

**I. The Fountains Development of Regional Impact – Sufficiency Response Extension**

The applicant for the Fountains 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 September 26, 2010. Regional staff recommends approval of the extension. The Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council will consider the request.

**J. Big Cypress Development of Regional Impact – Sufficiency Response Extension**

The applicant for the Town of Big Cypress Development of Regional Impact project is seeking an 18-month extension to its deadline for responding to the Application for Development Approval's sufficiency questions. The new proposed deadline for sufficiency responses would be November 28, 2011. Regional staff recommends approval of the extension. The Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council will consider the request.

**K. Hendry County Small Quantity Generator's (SQG) Hazardous Waste Assessment Contractual Agreement**

A proposed contract between Hendry County and the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council will be contemplated. The contract allows the SWFRPC to provide technical assistance under the County's Hazardous Waste Management Program.

**L. Glades & Hendry Joint TD Planning Grant**

Resolution 2010-04 authorizes the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council to file for a grant to administer the Transportation Disadvantaged Program for the Hendry/Glades service area. The SWFRPC will consider the resolution.

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

The Harborview Development of Regional Impact site is located in north central unincorporated Charlotte County, immediately north and adjacent to the Peach River on both sides of the I-75 Interchange and Harborview Road. The project is to be constructed in eight one year phases starting in 2011 with a 2018 buildout. It calls for a mixture of single and multi-family residential units, 350 hotel rooms and a marina. 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 Board of County Commissioners.

**5. ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES**

**A. Lower West Coast Watershed Implementation Committee - Update**

The Lower West Coast Watershed Implementation Committee, the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council and the Charlotte Harbor National Estuary have been working on and coordinating response to the potential impacts to the region from the Deepwater Horizon Oil spill incident. Updates will be provided regarding planning activities currently under consideration.

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

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

**C. SWFRPC FY 2010/11 Annual Budget – Ms. Laura Holquist**

The Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council will consider a draft budget for its October 1, 2010 – September 30, 2011 Fiscal Year.

**6. REGIONAL ISSUES**

**A. Alternative Transportation Presentation – Ms. Lauren Lane, FDOT**

Ms. Lauren Lane of the Florida Department of Transportation will discuss alternative transportation and associated issues.

**B. Other Regional Issues – Executive Director Ken Heatherington**

This agenda item affords time for other regional issues to be deliberated by the body.

**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.