



SOUTHWEST Florida Regional Planning COUNCIL

MEDIA SUMMARY

June 18, 2009

1. AGENDA ADOPTION

Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council (SWFRPC) will consider changes or additions to its agenda of June 18, 2009

2. MINUTES OF THE MAY 21, 2009, SWFRPC MEETING

Draft minutes of the May 21, 2009, meeting of the SWFRPC will be considered.

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 (May 31, 2009)

Financial statements of May 2009 will be presented for the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council's perusal and approval.

C. Florida Gulf Coast Technology & Research Park DRI – Request for Extension

The applicant for the Florida Gulf Coast Technology 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 27, 2009. Regional staff recommends approval of the extension.

D. Harborview Development of Regional Impact – Request for Extension

The applicant for the Harborview 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 23, 2009. Regional staff recommends approval of the extension.

E. Alico Interchange Park Development of Regional Impact – Request for Extension

The applicant for the Alico Interchange Park 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 September 26, 2009. Regional staff recommends approval of the extension.

F. Toll-Rattlesnake Request Development of Regional Impact – Request for Extension

The applicant for the Toll-Rattlesnake 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 October 22, 2009. Regional staff recommends approval of the extension.

G. North Port Gardens Development of Regional Impact – Request for Sufficiency Response Extension

The applicant for the North Port Gardens Development of Regional Impact project has requested 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 August 29, 2009. Regional staff has recommended approval of the extension.

H. Sandhill Development of Regional Impact – Noticed of Proposed Change (NOPC)

Sandhill Development of Regional Impact (DRI) project was originally approved by the Charlotte County Board of Commissioners, February 17, 1981. Over the years, the project has undergone ownership changes and two (2) Substantial Deviation reviews. The development is located on all four quadrants of the I-75/Kings Highway Interchange, in northern Charlotte County.

The applicant is proposing to amend Map H as follows:

- ▶ Remove 17.18 acres of residential land from the Sandhill DRI and add it (by concurrently submitted NOPC) to the Victoria Estates
- ▶ Reduce acreage in the text box describing uses not part of the Substantial Deviation from 71.3 acres to 57.71
- ▶ Reduce acreage in Tract 2 text box from 24 acres to 20.41

Regional staff has noted that the proposed development order is not sufficient. Moreover, staff recommends attaching an accurate legal description and revisions to the development order language. Additionally, Annual Monitoring and Annual Traffic Monitoring Reports are requested prior to development order approval by the local government. As such, the request is to notify Charlotte County, the Florida Department of Community Affairs, and the applicant that the proposed change will not create additional regional impacts but there is a need to provide the aforementioned information. Further, staff recommends that Charlotte County provide copies of any development approvals and related materials to the SWFRPC for review to ensure consistency with the recommended NOPC change.

I. Victoria Estates Development of Regional Impact - Noticed of Proposed Change (NOPC)

Victoria Estates Development of Regional Impact (DRI) project was originally approved by Charlotte County, July 11, 1989. The development is situated in central Charlotte County. There have been five (5) previous amendments to the Victoria Estates development order.

The applicant is proposing to amend Map H “A-1” as follows:

- ▶ Add 17.18 acres of commercial land
- ▶ Extend Rampart Boulevard from Kings Highway to Loveland Boulevard
- ▶ Extend the project’s buildout date to May 31, 2010

Regional staff has noted that the proposed development order is not sufficient. Moreover, staff recommends attaching an accurate legal description and revisions to the development order language. Additionally, Annual Monitoring and Annual Traffic Monitoring Reports are requested prior to development order approval by the local government. As such, the request is to notify Charlotte County, the Florida Department of Community Affairs, and the applicant that the proposed change will not create additional regional impacts but there is a need to provide the aforementioned information. Further, staff recommends that Charlotte County provide copies of any development approvals and related materials to the SWFRPC for review to ensure consistency with the recommended NOPC change.

J. Hendry County Small Quantity Generator's (SQG's) Hazardous Waste Assessment, Notification, and Verification Program

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.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

A. Lower West Coast Watersheds Subcommittee - Implementation Status, Mayor Mick Denham

Mayor Mick Denham will facilitate discussion surrounding the plan implementation initiatives of the Lower West Coast Watershed Subcommittee.

B. Energy & Climate Committee – Executive Director Ken Heatherington

Executive Director Ken Heatherington will provide a digest of the SWFRPC Energy and Climate Committee's plans of reducing the region's per capita carbon based energy consumption over the next five years by promoting energy efficiencies, conservation and renewable energy sources.

5. REGIONAL ISSUES

A. Legislation Wrap-up – Executive Director Ken Heatherington

This agenda item is to provide the SWFRPC with an update regarding the growth management related legislation of the Florida Legislature and to provide an avenue to discuss legislative topics of interest.

B. Council 2009 Retreat – Executive Director Ken Heatherington

Executive Director Ken Heatherington is currently exploring avenues for the annual retreat. He will briefly discuss plans and a possible location for the event and entertain feedback from the SWFRPC.

C. Other Emerging Regional Issues and State Road 80 - U.S. 27 Letter

This agenda item provides an avenue for other emerging regional issues to be explored and debated by the SWFRPC. Also, a letter has been drafted by Chairman Jim Humphrey supporting the four-laning of State Road 80 between LaBelle and U.S. 27 as a top priority for the region.

6. 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.

7. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

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

8. 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

9. COUNSEL'S COMMENTS

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

10. 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.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment signals the close of all proceedings of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council.