

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION ELEMENT

The purpose of this Element is to identify and resolve incompatible goals, objectives, policies and development proposed by other governmental entities, and to determine and respond to the needs for coordination processes and procedures with adjacent local governments, and regional and state agencies.

GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

GOAL 1: THE CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH SHALL COORDINATE WITH GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES AND PRIVATE UTILITIES TO PRESERVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE, COORDINATE DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES, AND PROVIDE FOR THE EFFICIENT USE OF RESOURCES.

Objective 1.1: Maintain or develop a formal process for intergovernmental coordination with Palm Beach County and adjacent municipalities which establishes specific coordination activities to occur on a regular basis.

Policy 1.1.1: The City Administrator shall be responsible for ensuring an effective intergovernmental coordination program for City of West Palm Beach.

Policy 1.1.2: At least once annually, City and Palm Beach County officials and, when deemed appropriate, those from other adjacent local governments shall continue to meet.

Policy 1.1.3: The City shall continue to coordinate with and participate in the proceedings of: the Interlocal Plan Amendment Review Committee (IPARC); Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) of Palm Beach County; Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council (TCRPC); South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD); adjacent and service area jurisdictions; and other organizations to foster intergovernmental coordination, especially for planning and service delivery matters.

Policy 1.1.4: The City shall pursue interlocal agreements, including Joint Planning Agreements, with adjacent local governments and governmental agencies for purposes of coordinating comprehensive plans, water supply planning, and other planning considerations such as land uses, infrastructure, and service delivery. These interlocal agreements should include, but are not limited to, the following considerations:

- a) Cooperative planning and review of land development activities, and population estimates/projections, within the areas covered by the agreement;
- b) Specification of service delivery;
- c) Funding and cost-sharing issues; and
- d) Enforcement and implementation.

Policy 1.1.5: The City shall coordinate with those colleges and universities in its jurisdiction that are private, and those which are part of the State University System, regarding the development of campus master plans or amendments thereto, to be done in accordance with Section 240.155 of the Florida Statutes.

Objective 1.2: The City shall participate in intergovernmental coordination processes to ensure that full consideration is given to the impacts of proposed comprehensive plan amendments and future developments on the ability of the City and adjacent local governments to implement their comprehensive plans and to address area-wide land use needs and justification for amendments.

Policy 1.2.1: The City shall continue to participate in the IPARC process and shall continue to cooperate with the TCRPC, and all other local governments in voluntary dispute resolution processes for the purpose of facilitating intergovernmental coordination.

Policy 1.2.2: The City shall use the Palm Beach Countywide Interlocal Coordination process as a regular formal forum in which to deal with issues unique to Palm Beach County and its municipalities. The Multi-Jurisdictional Issues Coordination Forum shall be used as a means of collaborative planning for matters of interjurisdictional significance including, but not limited to, the siting of facilities with countywide significance and locally unwanted land issues.

Objective 1.3: The City shall maintain or establish coordination mechanisms to ensure that all planning and development-related activities proposed in the City's Comprehensive Plan are coordinated with the comprehensive plans for Palm Beach County, adjacent municipalities, the Port of Palm Beach, other units of local government providing services but not having regulatory authority over the use of land, and the School Board of Palm Beach County.

Policy 1.3.1: The City shall make itself aware of and cooperate with all public and quasi-public agencies having a direct or indirect interest in, or impact on, the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Policy 1.3.2: The City, especially the Planning and Zoning Department, shall continue to establish correspondence with the agencies identified in Policy 1.1.3 for the purpose of exchanging ideas, regulations, plan alternatives or other pertinent materials related to the implementation or revision of the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Policy 1.3.3: The City shall, when deemed necessary, incorporate in its Comprehensive Plan, reasonable suggestions made by other agencies when such suggestions are in the best interest of the City.

Policy 1.3.4: During the course of implementation and when considering amendments to the City's Comprehensive Plan, the City shall inform interested

agencies of any substantive amendments that have been proposed and which may be of concern to those agencies.

Policy 1.3.5: The City shall coordinate with the IPARC in order to minimize the potential for interjurisdictional incompatibilities among the comprehensive plans of adjacent local governments.

Policy 1.3.6: The City shall use the mediation processes of the IPARC or the TCRPC when interjurisdictional incompatibilities can not be resolved otherwise.

Policy 1.3.7: The City shall continue to work with the TCRPC to identify regional issues and to assist in the periodic updating of the SRPP that has been adopted by the TCRPC.

Policy 1.3.8: The City shall continue to encourage the School Board of Palm Beach County to pursue the availability of quality education for all County residents, especially in the coastal areas.

Policy 1.3.9: The City shall continue to coordinate with the School Board of Palm Beach County to ensure that the public school facilities in and adjacent to West Palm Beach are physically maintained or rehabilitated as viable assets to the areas in which they are located.

Policy 1.3.10: The City shall continue to work with the SFWMD to ensure consistency with that agency's planning, preservation and protection policies; as they relate to the City's Water Catchment Area and for water supply planning efforts.

Policy 1.3.11: The City shall execute an interlocal agreement with the Palm Beach County Solid Waste Authority to maintain the City's solid waste and hazardous waste programs and policies as described in the Solid Waste SubElement of the Infrastructure Element of this Plan.

Policy 1.3.12: The City shall continue to coordinate with the School Board of Palm Beach County regarding population projections and on the siting of public school facilities consistent with the objectives and policies under Goal 3 of the City's Future Land Use Element.

Objective 1.4: The City shall maintain or establish coordination mechanisms to ensure full consideration is given to the impacts of development proposed in the City's Comprehensive Plan on other governmental entities and private utilities.

Policy 1.4.1: The City shall establish or maintain formal liaison with state and federal agencies that have permitting responsibility for properties in the City.

Policy 1.4.2: The City shall coordinate with the State of Florida and any other applicable governmental agencies, regarding the rules, principles for guiding development, and development regulations for state-designated Areas of Critical State Concern, in accordance with state law, if any such areas become partially or wholly designated or annexed into the City.

Objective 1.5: The City shall continue to adhere to the level-of-service standards established for State and County roadway facilities in West Palm Beach.

Policy 1.5.1: The City shall pursue agreements with Palm Beach County and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to establish interim level of service (LOS) standards for County and state-maintained roads in West Palm Beach that are below the LOS standards adopted by those organizations.

Policy 1.5.2: The City shall continue to coordinate with the FDOT and Palm Beach County, primarily through the MPO of Palm Beach County, to schedule improvements to State and County-maintained roadways in West Palm Beach that are below the applicable level of service standards if the needed roadway improvements are not scheduled in the City, County or State five-year capital improvement programs.

Policy 1.5.3: The City shall continue to coordinate with Palm Beach County on the implementation and maintenance of the different requirements and initiatives for the Downtown West Palm Beach Traffic Concurrency Exception Area (TCEA) as outlined in the City's Transportation and Future Land Use Elements.

Policy 1.5.4: The City shall continue to coordinate with Palm Beach County and other local governments to effectively enforce the Countywide Traffic Performance Standards Ordinance.

Policy 1.5.5: The City shall continue to work with the FDOT and the County to analyze and to encourage potential roadway improvements to State and County roads to ensure proper and adequate pedestrian system access, especially within the Downtown Master Plan area and its immediate surrounding areas.

Objective 1.6: The City shall continue to pursue interlocal agreements with Palm Beach County regarding potential annexation areas for West Palm Beach.

Policy 1.6.1: The City shall work with the IPARC to resolve any conflicts with other local governments regarding the City's potential annexation areas.

Objective 1.7: The City shall maintain a development review process that states the rights and requirements of the developer, City, and State in relation to a development order.

Policy 1.7.1: While the developer shall be responsible for the registering and recording of the modifications of the development order, the City shall not impose a lien, cloud, or encumbrance on real property, or actual or constructive notice on any such lien, cloud, or encumbrance.

Policy 1.7.2: The City shall forward every development order and supporting and accompanying documents for developments to the Department of Community Affairs which meet or exceed the standards as established by Section 380.0651, F.S., Rule 28-24 F.A.C. and 9J-5.015(4)(c)(d) F.A.C.