

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION ELEMENT

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Goal:

Develop and maintain effective processes and procedures needed to respond to local, regional, state and multi-jurisdictional comprehensive planning and development issues.

Objective 1 Interagency Coordination

Coordinate the Levy County Comprehensive Plan with the plans of the Levy County School Board and other units of government providing services to the County, but not having regulatory authority over the use of land with the plans of the County, municipalities and adjacent counties.

Technical Advisory Committee

Policy 1.1 Intergovernmental issues and procedures shall be addressed through a County Technical Advisory Committee. Appropriate governmental, regulatory and non-regulatory representatives shall meet, when necessary, to coordinate land use plans, emergency planning, population projections, public school siting, natural resource protection and proposed development issues that impact multiple jurisdictions and involve other regulatory and non regulatory interests.

Coordination and Sharing of Public Information

Policy 1.2 On an ongoing basis, Levy County shall establish new and review existing coordination mechanisms that will evaluate and address its comprehensive plan. Levy County shall also review and evaluate programs and their effects on the Comprehensive Plans developed for adjacent local governments, the school district and other units of local government providing services but not having

regulatory authority over the use of its land. Levy County will accomplish this work through an annual county-wide forum, joint meetings and / or other types of forums with other agencies as needed.

Policy 1.3 Levy County will coordinate with appropriate governmental and regulatory agencies on land use and development plans to advance the goals, objectives and policies of the Comprehensive Plan.

Policy 1.4 The County shall prepare administrative procedures for intergovernmental coordination processes including, development and land use review. This information will be provided to each political or governmental jurisdiction.

Policy 1.5 Levy County growth and development plans, development proposals and development related information shall be available to the public and governmental entities.

Objective 2 Coordination with the School Board

Levy County shall strive to maintain and enhance joint planning processes and procedures for coordination of public education facilities for planning and decision-making.

Policy 2.1 The County will continue to develop joint planning programs with the Levy County School Board to ensure that the future needs and plans for both agencies are sufficiently addressed. The primary intent of the joint planning program shall be to:

- a. Establish formalized review and planning coordination processes with the Levy County School Board;
- b. Encourage the location of public school facilities in proximity to student populations and in a manner that maximizes the use of existing and future infrastructure;
- c. Identify current and future opportunity and population needs for shared public facilities, including but not limited to, recreational uses (i.e., playgrounds, playing fields), libraries, shelter facilities, community centers and other civic functions.
- d. Ensure that proposed school sites are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

Policy 2.2 In cooperation with the School District and the local governments within Levy County, the County will implement the Interlocal Agreement, as required by Sections 1013.33, and 163.3177, Florida Statutes, which includes procedures for:

- a. Joint Meetings
- b. Planning and Zoning Meeting Participation
- c. Population Projections
- d. Coordination and Sharing of Information
- e. Implementation of School Concurrency
- f. Comprehensive Plan Amendments, Rezoning, Development Approvals and the School Concurrency Procedure
- g. School Site Analysis
- h. Supporting Infrastructure
- i. Educational Plant Survey and Five Year District Facilities Work Program

- j. Collocation and Shared Use
- k. Oversight Process
- l. Resolution of Disputes
- m. Amendment of Agreement

Policy 2.3 Annually, Levy County shall ask the School District to provide information from their Five Year District Facilities Work Plan to determine the need for additional school facilities, information detailing existing facilities, their locations and projected needs and planned facilities with funding representing the District's unmet needs.

Policy 2.4 In order to coordinate the effective and efficient provision and siting of public educational facilities with associated infrastructure and services within Levy County, Levy County, the Levy County School District, the Town of Bronson, the City of Williston, the City of Cedar Key and the City of Chiefland shall meet jointly to develop mechanisms for coordination. Such efforts may include:

- a. Coordinated submittal and review of the annual capital improvement program of Levy County, the Five Year District Facilities Work Plan and Five Year Educational Plan Survey of the Levy County School District.
- b. Coordinated review and assessment of the associated costs and expenditures of siting and developing schools with needed public infrastructure.
- c. Coordinated review of residential planned developments or mixed use planned developments involving residential development.
- d. Use of a unified data base including population (forecasts of student population), land use and facilities.

Policy 2.5 Amendments to the Future Land Use Map will be coordinated with the School District and the Public School Facilities map series in the element.

Policies 2.6 Levy County and the Levy County School District will develop and maintain a map depicting the required school facilities based on maximum development potential. On an annual basis, this map will be evaluated and revised as necessary.

Objective 3 Monitoring and Evaluation related to Public Schools

Levy County shall strive to continually monitor and evaluate the Public Schools Facilities Element in order to assure the best practices of the joint planning processes and procedures for coordination of planning and decision-making.

Policy 3.1 Levy County and the Levy County School District will coordinate during updates or amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and updates or amendments for long-range plans for School District facilities.

Objective 4 Intergovernmental Coordination /Development Review

Establish a development review process to ensure that the impacts of development proposed in the Levy County Comprehensive Plan upon development in adjacent municipalities, adjacent counties, the region, and the state are coordinated with these jurisdictions and regional and state regulatory agencies.

Local Comprehensive Plan Review Process

Policy 4.1 Comprehensive Plan updates and amendments will be provided to all affected jurisdictions for review. All comments and recommendations received and/or transmitted will be a part of the public record.

Policy 4.2 Proposed land use amendments and development plans shall be reviewed for consistency with the goals, objectives and policies of the Comprehensive Plan.

Dispute Resolution

Policy 4.3 Disputes or issues with other local governments including, but not limited to, annexations issues, will be resolved through the Regional Planning Council's informal mediation process.

Policy 4.4 Comprehensive Plan updates and amendments will be reviewed to ensure compatibility and consistency with the comprehensive plans of adjacent municipalities and counties.

Coastal High Hazard Areas

Policy 4.5 The review of proposed land use and development plans within the Coastal High Hazard Area (Category 1 Evacuation Zone) will be coordinated with Cedar Key, Inglis, Yankeetown, Citrus County and Dixie County. A scheduled workshop with the adjacent jurisdictions will be held prior to issuance of development approval.

Policy 4.6 The review of proposed developments in environmentally sensitive areas or on property adjacent to public lands, or natural reservations will be coordinated with the appropriate local, state and federal agencies and consistent with the guidelines in the Conservation Element.

Objective 5 Coordination/Level of Service

Promote the efficient and orderly provision of services to the community through coordination with state, regional and local entities having operational and maintenance responsibilities to ensure that adopted Levy County level of service standards for public facilities are consistent with other regulatory entities.

Level of Service Standards

Policy 5.1 Levy County will coordinate proposed Level of Service standards changes with appropriate jurisdictions and regulatory agencies (i.e., FDOT, DEP) to ensure consistency with local Comprehensive Plans and with State and Federal regulatory standards.

Policy 5.2 Recreational needs and services shall be addressed in coordination with municipalities and the School Board in order to maintain the adopted level of service standards in the Recreation and Open Space Element.

Policy 5.3 The stormwater management level of service standard for stormwater quantity and quality shall, at a minimum, meet the requirements of the applicable Water Management District.

Water Supply Planning Coordination

Policy 5.4 The County shall coordinate with the Suwannee River and Southwest Florida Water Management Districts, and any applicable regional water supply authority, to ensure the Comprehensive Plan remains consistent with each District's Regional Water Supply Plan and other regional initiatives through the exchange of information, participation in plan updates, and consideration of regional strategies in local decision-making.

Policy 5.5 The County shall coordinate with the municipalities located within Levy County to address shared water supply needs, maintain consistency between local comprehensive plans, and support intergovernmental approaches to long-term water resource planning. Coordination may include data sharing, review of proposed plan amendments, and participation in joint planning initiatives where appropriate.