

CITY OF CORAL GABLES

RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION OF THE CORAL GABLES CITY COMMISSION ADOPTING AND TRANSMITTING THE EVALUATION AND APPRAISAL REPORT (EAR) OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN; REQUESTING THAT THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS DELEGATE THE SUFFICIENCY REVIEW OF THE EAR TO THE SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature intends that local planning be a continuous and ongoing process; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission adopted the City of Coral Gables Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP) via Ordinance No. 3243 on May 13, 1997; and

WHEREAS, Section 163.3191, Florida Statutes, directs local governments to periodically assess the success or failure of the adopted plan in an Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR) that adequately addresses changing conditions, and new state and regional policies, and includes associated recommendations for updating the adopted plan; and

WHEREAS, numerous public scoping meetings were held to help establish the parameters of the EAR analysis and identify major issues for concentration, including Planning and Zoning Board hearings on March 9, 2005 and April 13, 2005, a City Commission hearing on April 26, 2005, and an interagency scoping meeting on April 29, 2005; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the above EAR meetings and public hearings, the numerous public hearings on the Zoning Code Rewrite have helped to formulate policy direction for all planning and zoning issues facing the City, and are helping to lay out a path for updating the CLUP in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) provided the City with a "Letter of Understanding" on February 14, 2005, agreeing with the City's identification of four major issues, comprised of the following (1) revision of the Housing Element, to include provision of workforce housing and promotion of senior housing; (2) maintenance of single-family residential neighborhoods and mitigation of adjoining commercial and high-density residential uses; (3) mitigation of traffic impacts to include promotion of alternative modes of transportation and strengthening of intergovernmental coordination; and (4) placement of parks according to the Parks Master Plan, to include the acquisition of new parks; and

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2006, the Planning and Zoning Board, acting as the designated Local Planning Agency, reviewed the final Evaluation and Appraisal Report, held an advertised public hearing, provided for participation by the public in the process, and rendered its recommendations to the City Commission; and

WHEREAS, on May 9, 2006, the City Commission reviewed the Evaluation and Appraisal Report, held an advertised public hearing, and provided for comments and public participation in the process in accordance with the requirements of state law and the procedures adopted for public participation in the planning process;

WHEREAS, Section 163.3191(8), Florida Statutes, allows the Florida Department of Community Affairs to delegate its authority to review local government EARs for sufficiency to the appropriate regional planning council; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Affairs entered into such an agreement with the South Florida Regional Planning Council to review EARs in Miami-Dade County for sufficiency upon the written request of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES THAT:

SECTION 1. The recitals and findings contained in the preamble to this Resolution are hereby adopted by reference and incorporated herein as fully set forth in this Section.

SECTION 2. The City Commission does hereby adopt the EAR for the City of Coral Gables Comprehensive Land Use Plan, attached here as Exhibit A.

SECTION 3. The City Commission does hereby request that the Florida Department of Community Affairs delegate the sufficiency review of the City's EAR to the South Florida Regional Planning Council.

SECTION 3. The City Commission does hereby direct the City Manager to forward the adopted EAR to the South Florida Regional Planning Council, the Florida Department of Community Affairs, and all other applicable agencies and local governments for sufficiency review.

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS NINTH DAY OF MAY 2006, A.D.

(Moved: _____ / Seconded: _____)

(Yeas: _____)

(_____ Vote)

(Agenda Item _____)

DONALD D. SLESNICK II
MAYOR

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CITY CLERK

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