

RESOLUTION NO. 10-230

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE SOUTHEAST FLORIDA REGION; SUPPORTING THE REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS OF SOUTHEAST FLORIDA IN PREPARING A COMPREHENSIVE JOINT APPLICATION UNDER THE FEDERAL SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2009, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced a new partnership to regionally coordinate federal housing, environmental protection, and transportation planning and investment; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that participation in this partnership would enhance local efforts to sustain and improve the quality of life for all residents and visitors to the City of Key West; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to encourage the regional planning councils of Southeast Florida to commit the resources necessary, within the limits of their budgets and work programs, to prepare and submit a successful joint application under the Sustainable Communities Planning Grants Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute, upon the advice and consent of the City Attorney, a Sustainable Communities Initiative Memorandum of Understanding, in substantially the form attached hereto.

Section 2: That that the City of Key West strongly supports the South Florida and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Councils in preparing a comprehensive joint application for the Sustainable Communities Planning Grants Program,

Section 3: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the Presiding Officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held this 3rd day of August, 2010.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission on 4th day of August, 2010.

Filed with the Clerk on August 4, 2010

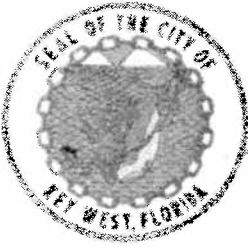


CRAIG CATES, MAYOR

ATTEST:



CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK



GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

TO: Jim Scholl, City Manager

FROM:

DATE: July 21, 2010

RE: Memorandum of Understanding, Partnership Consortium Agreement Letter, and resolution of support for the joint grant application for the Federal Sustainable Communities Initiative

ACTION STATEMENT: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST SUPPORTING THE REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS OF SOUTHEAST FLORIDA IN PREPARING A COMPREHENSIVE JOINT APPLICATION UNDER THE FEDERAL SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE AND ESTABLISHING A WORKING PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH PUBLIC, PRIVATE, NON-PROFIT, AND CIVIC SECTOR ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, WATER RESOURCE, HOUSING, HUMAN SERVICES, ENVIRONMENTAL AND TRANSPORTATION AGENCIES, COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, NONPROFITS, ACADEMIA AND RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS, SCHOOL BOARDS AND PRIVATE SECTOR ORGANIZATIONS.

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE

Strategic planning initiatives that tie into this agenda item include seeking solutions to assure we maintain our neighborhoods for residential living so as to reflect our diverse population, community character, and protect and enhance our residential quality of life; and Environmental management seeking to preserve, maintain and when possible enhance the physical environment of Key West and its nearshore waters and is a strategic plan initiative.

BACKGROUND:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) announced a new partnership to help American families gain better access to affordable housing, more transportation options, and lower transportation costs. Since the average working American family spends nearly 60 percent of its budget on housing and transportation costs, these two areas are the largest expenses for American families. The partnership wishes to seek ways to cut these costs by focusing their efforts on creating affordable, sustainable communities.

DOT and HUD wish to better coordinate federal transportation and housing investments and identify strategies to give American families: More choices for affordable housing near employment opportunities;

more transportation options, to lower transportation costs, shorten travel times, and improve the environment; the ability to combine several errands into one trip through better coordination of transportation and land uses; and safe, livable, healthy communities.

The Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program will support metropolitan and multijurisdictional planning efforts that integrate housing, land use, economic and workforce development, transportation, and infrastructure investments in a manner that empowers jurisdictions to consider the interdependent challenges of: (1) economic competitiveness and revitalization; (2) social equity, inclusion, and access to opportunity; (3) energy use and climate change; and (4) public health and environmental impact.

PURPOSE & JUSTIFICATION:

A key component of the Sustainable Communities Initiative is the development of a “Regional Plan for Sustainable Development” for regions that lack a cohesive, integrated regional “vision” across issue areas and jurisdictional boundaries. In Southeast Florida, significant resources, time and effort have been invested in planning throughout the years. There are existing regional relationships and partnerships that can be strengthened and expanded. **The challenge is to integrate these partnerships and efforts across issue areas and jurisdictional lines and reach agreement on the critical infrastructure investments needed to move the region forward.**

The U.S. HUD’s Sustainable Communities Initiative is the region’s best opportunity to access up to \$5 million to articulate and develop consensus around a “Regional Vision” and “Regional Plan for Sustainable Development.” It is expected that this Plan will: 1) serve as the framework for future federal investment; 2) support the efforts of individual counties, municipalities and other regional partners whose plans and projects further the implementation of the regional Vision and Plan; and 3) put the Southeast Florida Region in the best position possible to capture federal funds for critical infrastructure projects designed to improve the region’s sustainability.

The South Florida Regional Planning Council and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council are coordinating the development of a comprehensive joint application for Sustainable Communities Initiative funding on behalf of the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership, a seven-county partnership extending from Monroe through Indian River County. The Partnership represents a broad-based group of stakeholders, including but not limited to, water resource, housing, human services, environmental and transportation agencies and organizations; community-based organizations; health care organizations and funders; local governments; non-profits; academia and research institutions; and private sector organizations.

The HUD Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA), the federal guidance document for the Grant, was released on June 24th. The grant application is due on August 23rd. The Councils have requested from its partners letters and resolutions of support and the

execution of a Memorandum of Understanding to memorialize the regional partnership. A list of the current membership and supporters of the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership is included herewith.

In the NOFA, HUD stipulated the creation of a “consortium” which includes, at a minimum the principal cities of the Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Areas in the region; metropolitan planning organizations; regional planning councils; non-profit and faith-based organizations; and educational institutions. HUD considers the interdependence of the participating partners an asset in the grant application process.

The City of Key West, by virtue of being the Principal City for the Key West Micropolitan Statistical Area is requested to sign the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership Consortium Agreement letter which is required by HUD as part of the application.

If awarded, these funds will be used to further develop the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership; establish a comprehensive regional vision and plan identifying critical projects and infrastructure that will improve the Region’s sustainability; and establish priorities for focused investment in Southeast Florida.

OPTIONS:

Approve the resolution as provided allowing for execution of the Memorandum of Understanding and partnership letter.

Modify the resolution and approve it as desired.

Do not provide any resolution. This will cause the group to be unable to apply for the grant as all cities that are “Micropolitan Statistical Areas in the region” must be signatory’s on the memorandum of understanding. This was a last minute rule created by HUD.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

This non-binding agreement tracks the language in the MOU and **is neither a fiscal nor funds obligation document.** Nothing in the document obligates the City to expend appropriations, obligate funds or enter into any contract or other agreement, or restricts the City from participating in similar activities or arrangements with other entities or agencies. Although HUD is requesting that the consortium partners agree to enter into a formal consortium agreement with 120 days of the grant being awarded, the City is not obligated to do so.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve this resolution.

**SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
FOR THE
SOUTHEAST FLORIDA REGION**

I. Purpose

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to provide a mutual understanding in support of the signatory agencies, organizations, governments, and individuals that will be working in cooperation to: 1) prepare a successful Sustainable Communities Initiative (SCI) grant application; and 2) complete the work funded under the SCI grant.

II. Background

On June 16, 2009, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) joined with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) to help improve access to affordable housing, more transportation options, and lower transportation costs while protecting the environment in communities nationwide. A set of guiding livability principles and a federal interagency partnership agreement is intended to guide their efforts in coordinating federal housing, transportation, and other infrastructure investments designed to protect the environment, promote equitable development, and help to address the challenges of climate change.

Congress provided a total of \$150,000,000 to U.S. HUD for the SCI program to encourage regional planning efforts that integrate housing and transportation decisions, and increase State, regional and local capacity to incorporate livability, sustainability and social equity principles into land use and zoning. From that total amount, \$100,000,000 is being made available to encourage metropolitan regions to develop integrated regional plans that articulate a vision for growth that federal housing, transportation and other federal investments can support.

More importantly, the three federal agencies have made a commitment to utilize the integrated regional plans or visions to guide their planning and funding decision-making. Funding to these metropolitan regions would generally be directed towards programs and projects identified in “Regional Plans for Sustainability” aimed at increasing transportation choices, reducing combined housing and transportation costs for American families, improving the quality of life in communities, and improving the natural and built environment.

III. Agreement

Whereas, there is a recognized need among the signatories for a coordinated, collaborative regional effort to prepare and carry out a successful SCI grant application and work program; and

Whereas, an SCI grant application and work program will be prepared and managed by the Treasure Coast and South Florida Regional Planning Councils in cooperation with the MOU signatories, including, but not limited to, the City of Key West, with the intent of establishing a comprehensive regional plan or vision identifying critical projects and infrastructure to: 1) improve the Region’s sustainability; and 2) assist and guide federal funding agencies in prioritizing and focusing future federal investment in Southeast Florida; and

Whereas, the signatories agree to the best of their abilities and within the limits of their budgets to work cooperatively on the grant application and funded project; and

Whereas, any private sector organization, non-profit, academic or research institution, philanthropic partner, community organization, governmental entity, individual, or intermediary agency that bears responsibility for or has an interest in the sustainable development and redevelopment of Southeast Florida may be a partner and signatory to this MOU; and

Whereas, each of the signatories to this MOU understands urban redevelopment and the promotion of infill development in Southeast Florida represents environmental,

transportation, social, and economic and community development strategies for restoration of the Everglades ecosystem and advancing the goals of the federal SCI program; and

Whereas, each of the signatories to this MOU is committed to following the Livability Principles relating to the sustainable development and redevelopment of Southeast Florida:

1. **Provide more transportation choices.** Develop safe, reliable and economic transportation choices to decrease household transportation costs, reduce our nation's dependence on foreign oil, improve air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and promote public health.
2. **Promote equitable, affordable housing.** Expand location-and energy-efficient housing choices for people of all ages, incomes, races and ethnicities to increase mobility, and lower the combined cost of housing and transportation.
3. **Enhance economic competitiveness.** Improve economic competitiveness through reliable and timely access to employment centers, educational opportunities, services, and other basic needs by workers as well as expanded business access to markets.
4. **Support existing communities.** Target funding toward existing communities through such strategies as transit-oriented, mixed-use development and land recycling – to increase community revitalization, improve the efficiency of public works investments, and safeguard rural landscapes.
5. **Coordinate policies and leverage investment.** Align policies and funding to remove barriers to collaboration, leverage funding, and increase the accountability and effectiveness of all levels of government to plan for future growth, including making smart energy choices such as locally generated renewable energy.

6. **Value communities and neighborhoods.** Enhance the unique characteristics of all communities by investing in healthy, safe, and walkable neighborhoods – rural, urban or suburban.

7. **Enhance community resiliency to the impacts of Climate Change.** Enhance community resiliency to the impacts of climate change through the development of mitigation and adaptation strategies.

Whereas, any regional plan document developed under the SCI grant will support these Livability Principles and should, to the greatest extent possible and where appropriate, be built upon the foundation of work that has been accomplished and undertaken in the region where existing plans, partnerships, and processes enhance regional planning, coordination and efficiency, reduce unnecessary duplication of effort and responsibilities, and add clarity and accountability to implementation processes.

Now, Therefore, this MOU is established to create a framework for coordinating efforts related to the preparation of a successful SCI grant application and successfully completing the work funded under the SCI grant.

IV. Programming, Budgeting, Funding and Reimbursement Arrangement

- a. This MOU is neither a fiscal nor a funds obligation document. Any transfer of funds between parties may take place through existing authorities and procedures.

- b. Generally, any endeavor involving the transfer of funds will follow normal procurement or other appropriate processes and will be affected in writing by representatives of the organizations involved.

- c. This MOU in no way restricts the signatories from participating in similar activities or arrangements with other entities or agencies.

- d. Nothing in this MOU shall obligate the signatories to expend appropriations, obligate funds or enter into any contract or other agreement.

V. Effective Date

This MOU will become effective upon signature by any two parties. Any Party may terminate its participation in this MOU upon written notice to the other Parties. The provisions of the MOU will be reviewed periodically, as appropriate, and amended or supplemented as may be mutually agreed upon.

VI. Other Memorandum of Understandings

There are no superseding MOUs on this topic among the Parties hereto.

VII. Signatures

This MOU may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Each Party has signed this five-page agreement on a separate page. The original signature pages are on file at the South Florida Regional Planning Council, 3440 Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 140, Hollywood, FL 33021; (954) 985-4416.

**SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
FOR THE
SOUTHEAST FLORIDA REGION**

By my signature below, my organization/agency becomes a signatory to the Sustainable Communities Initiative Memorandum of Understanding for the Southeast Florida Region, dated August 6, 2010. I understand that the MOU will be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument. This original signature page will be kept on file at the South Florida Regional Planning Council.

Jim K. Scholl
Signature

Jim K Scholl
Jim K. Scholl, City Manager, City of Key West

City of Key West
Organization/Agency

8/6/2010
Date

Please return to:

South Florida Regional Planning Council
3440 Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 140
Hollywood, Florida 33021



THE CITY OF KEY WEST

Post Office Box 1409 Key West, FL 33041-1409 (305) 809-3700

August 6, 2010

The Honorable Samuel Ferreri, Chair
Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council
421 SW Camden Avenue
Stuart, Florida 34994

The Honorable Joseph Scutto, Chair
South Florida Regional Planning Council
3440 Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 140
Hollywood, Florida 33021

Subject: Federal Sustainable Communities Initiative

Dear Chairman Ferreri and Chairman Scutto:

The City of Key West, is the largest city in Monroe County, and is the furthest from mainland Florida. As such regional planning is important to us, and regional transportation planning is especially important as we are not part of the Dade MPO. Our City strongly supports the South Florida and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Councils in this much needed program.

By this letter, we wish to express our support for a joint, regional application to the U.S. HUD Sustainable Communities Planning Grants Program that will be submitted by the South Florida and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Councils (Councils) on the behalf of the many public, private, non-profit, and other regional stakeholders from the seven-county region of Monroe, Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, Martin, St. Lucie, and Indian River Counties. This application is being developed through a collaborative partnership of regional stakeholders including transportation agencies, water resource, housing, environmental agencies; local governments, non-profits, academia, and private sector organizations.

A key component of the Sustainable Communities Initiative is the development of a "Regional Plan for Sustainable Development" that will serve as the framework for the creation of a more sustainable region. We recognize the need for, and support the development of this multijurisdictional, regional plan and cohesive, integrated "vision" across issue areas and political boundaries in Southeast Florida.

We support your efforts and look forward to continuing to work in partnership with the Councils and other regional stakeholders in this important effort.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Scholl".

Jim Scholl
City Manager, City of Key West



THE CITY OF KEY WEST

Post Office Box 1409 Key West, FL 33041-1409 (305) 809-3700

August 6, 2010

Ms. Carolyn A. Dekle
Executive Director
South Florida Regional Planning Council
3440 Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 140
Hollywood, Florida 33021

RE: Partnership Agreement for South Florida Regional Partnership Consortium – HUD Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program

Dear Ms. Dekle:

As a member of Southeast Florida Regional Partnership Consortium (Consortium), we confirm the following:

1. This Partnership Agreement incorporates the guiding principles for the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership as outlined in the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership's Memorandum of Understanding. It is proof of our commitment to work collaboratively with regional partners in a coordinated effort to prepare and carry out a comprehensive work plan pursuant to the receipt of adequate funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Sustainable Communities Planning Grants Program.
2. If awarded, these funds will be used to further develop the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership; establish a comprehensive regional vision and plan identifying critical projects and infrastructure that will improve the Region's sustainability; and establish priorities for focused investment in Southeast Florida.
3. The HUD Sustainable Communities Planning Grants Program grant application and work program will be prepared and managed by the South Florida Regional Planning Council, in partnership with the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, and other regional stakeholders.
4. The South Florida Regional Planning Council, in consultation with the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, is the lead applicant. The South Florida Regional Planning Council is authorized to act in the representative capacity with HUD on behalf of all members of the Consortium and to assume administrative responsibility for ensuring that the Partnership's program is carried out in accordance with all HUD requirements.
5. While the South Florida Regional Planning Council, working in partnership with the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, holds fiscal and administrative

- responsibility for regular interaction with HUD, this does not restrict the Partnership from developing an organizational structure that reflects the diversity of its partners, and allows for maximum participation in strategy development and decision-making.
6. We agree to the best of our ability and within the limits of our budget to work cooperatively to implement the funded project.
 7. As a member of the Consortium, we are committed to following the *Livability Principles* relating to the sustainable development and redevelopment of Southeast Florida:
 - Provide more transportation choices
 - Promote equitable affordable housing
 - Enhance economic competitiveness
 - Support existing communities
 - Coordinate policies and leverage investment
 - Value communities and neighborhoods
 - Enhance community resiliency to the impacts of Climate Change
 8. Any regional plan document developed pursuant to the HUD Sustainable Communities Planning Grants Program will support these Livability Principles and should, to the greatest extent possible and where appropriate, be built upon the foundation of work that has been accomplished and undertaken in the region where existing plans, partnerships, and processes enhance regional planning; coordination and efficiency; reduce unnecessary duplication of effort and responsibilities; and add clarity and accountability to implementation processes.
 9. This Partnership Agreement is neither a fiscal nor funds obligation document. Nothing herein shall obligate Consortium members to expend appropriations, obligate funds, or enter into any contract or other agreement, or restrict the undersigned from participating in similar activities or arrangements with other entities or agencies.
 10. A formal Consortium Agreement will be executed no later than 120 days after the effective start date of the grant agreement with the approval of the Chief Executive Officer and/or governing body of the organization as needed. The Consortium Agreement will describe each Consortium member's specific activities under the Program, including timetables for completion. The South Florida Regional Planning Council, in partnership with the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, will enter into Memoranda of Understanding with partner recipients of grant funds to ensure delivery of the required activities. We acknowledge that HUD reserves the right to terminate the grant if a Consortium Agreement has not been executed within 120 days of the award.
 11. The Southeast Florida Regional Partnership Agreement Letter may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Each Party has signed this two page letter on a separate page. The original Partnership Agreements are on file at the South Florida Regional Planning Council, 3440 Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 140, Hollywood, FL 33021; (954) 985-4416.

12. This Partnership Agreement will become effective upon signature by any two parties. Any Consortium member may terminate its participation in this Partnership Agreement upon written notice to the South Florida Regional Planning Council or Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. The provisions of this Partnership Agreement will be reviewed periodically, as appropriate, and amended or supplemented as may be mutually agreed upon.
13. There are no superseding Partnership Agreements on this topic among the Parties hereto.

**SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE
PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT FOR THE
SOUTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP CONSORTIUM**

By my signature below, my organization/agency agrees to serve as a member of the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership Consortium in concordance with the terms outlined in this Partnership Agreement. I understand that the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership Agreement will be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument. This original signature page will be kept on file at the South Florida Regional Planning Council.

J. K. Scholl
Signature

Jim Scholl
Jim Scholl, City Manager

City of Key West
City of Key West

8/6/2010
Date



ABSTRACT

June 30, 2010

Sustainable Communities Initiative

A federal partnership initiative of US HUD, DOT, and EPA

On June 16 2009, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced a new partnership to regionally coordinate federal housing, environmental protection, and transportation planning and investment. Federal funding to support this effort is being provided under HUD's Sustainable Communities Planning Grants Program.

In the past, the absence of a regional, collaborative partnership and shared vision for Southeast Florida has left our region at a competitive disadvantage when we seek to access needed state and federal resources. Envision Utah, One Bay (Tampa), Portland Metro 2040, Denver Metro Vision 2040, Sacramento Area Blueprint (2004), and Myregion.org (Orlando) are examples of regions that have well established multi-sector partnerships and regional strategies for quality communities and growth. While progress has been made in many issue areas, including transportation, water supply, and climate change planning with the recent signing of the four-county Regional Compact, these examples are the exception rather than the rule. We must do better if we are to build a prosperous and sustainable region and access the resources Southeast Florida needs to move ahead.

The Southeast Florida region includes Monroe, Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, Martin, St. Lucie, and Indian River counties. Together this seven-county Region represents the 5th largest metropolitan area in the country. These seven counties, though diverse, have much in common including a shared history, environment and watershed, economic interdependence, transportation system, and recreational, social and cultural activities. This seven county area is classified as "Southeast Florida" by Enterprise Florida, and defined as the "Southeast Region" in the Strategic Intermodal Plan of the Florida Department of Transportation.

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Several organizational and working meetings of the regional stakeholders have occurred and will be held throughout the summer. Necessary pre-application work has been performed by the Councils that will assist in preparing and submitting a complete application on time. The Councils have requested from its partners letters and resolutions of support and, where appropriate, the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding to memorialize the regional partnership. These documents will accompany the application. The HUD Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA), the federal guidance document outlining the components of successful applications, was published on June 24, 2010. The application is due on August 23rd.

Link to HUD NOFA: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/nofa10/scrpg.cfm>

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South Florida and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Councils

Memorandums of Understanding

1. 1000 Friends of Florida
2. Audubon of Florida
3. Beacon Council
4. Broward County Board of County Commissioners*
5. Broward County League of Cities
6. Broward MPO
7. Business Forum of Palm Beach County
8. Children's Services Council of Martin County
9. City of Fellsmere
10. City of Hollywood
11. City of Lauderdale Lakes
12. City of Oakland Park
13. City of West Palm Beach
14. City of Weston
15. Clean Water Fund
16. Coordinating Council of Broward
17. Delray Beach CRA
18. Delray Beach Housing Authority
19. Duany Plater-Zyberk & Company
20. Economic Council of Martin County
21. Economic Development Council of St. Lucie County
22. FDOT Districts IV & VI
23. Florida Atlantic University
24. Florida Enterprise Florida
25. Florida International University
26. Gold Coast Clean Cities Coalition
27. Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce
28. Hispanic Unity of Florida, Inc.
29. Indian Creek Village
30. Indian River County Commission
31. Indian River MPO
32. Indian River State College
33. Martin County Commission
34. Martin MPO
35. Miami Dade College
36. Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners
37. Miami-Dade MPO
38. Monroe County Commission
39. North Dade Regional Chamber of Commerce
40. Palm Beach Business Development Board
41. Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners
42. Palm Beach County Economic Development*
43. Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.
44. Palm Beach County Resource Center
45. Palm Beach MPO
46. Palm Beach State College

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47. PNC Community Development Banking
48. Smart Growth Partnership
49. South Florida Regional Business Alliance
50. South Florida Regional Planning Council
51. South Florida Regional Transportation Authority
52. St. Lucie County Commission
53. St. Lucie Transportation Planning Organization (TPO)
54. St. Thomas University
55. The Center for Technology Enterprise and Development
56. The State Road 7 / US 441 Collaborative
57. Town of Indian River Shores
58. Town of Lake Park
59. Town of Wellington
60. Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council
61. Tropical Audubon Society
62. United Way of Martin County
63. Urban Land Institute Southeast Florida / Caribbean
64. West Palm Beach CRA
65. Westgate/Belvedere Homes CRA
66. Workforce Alliance (Palm Beach)

Letters of Support

1. 1000 Friends of Florida
2. Beacon Council
3. Business Development Board of Martin County
4. Business Development Board of Palm Beach
5. Children's Services Council
6. City of Boynton Beach
7. City of Coral Gables
8. City of Fellsmere
9. City of Florida City
10. City of Lake Worth
11. City of Lauderdale Lakes
12. City of Miami Springs
13. City of Oakland Park
14. City of Weston
15. Clean Water Fund
16. Coordinating Council of Broward
17. Dade Community Foundation
18. Delray Beach Housing Authority
19. Department of Children and Families, Circuit 17
20. Duany Plater-Zyberk & Company
21. Economic Council of Palm Beach County, Inc.
22. Economic Development Council of Martin County
23. Economic Development Council of St. Lucie County
24. Enterprise Development Corporation
25. Enterprise Florida
26. Farm Credit of South Florida

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27. Florida Atlantic University
28. Florida Brownfields Association
29. Florida Department of Health
30. Florida International University
31. Florida Redevelopment Association
32. Gate House Home & Estate Services
33. Gold Coast Clean Cities Coalition *
34. Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce
35. Housing Leadership Council of Palm Beach County
36. Indian River Citrus League
37. Indian River County Chamber of Commerce
38. Indian River Economic Development Council
39. Indian River State College
40. Martin County Board of County Commissioners
41. Martin MPO
42. Martin Soil and Water Conservation District
43. Miami-Dade Climate Change Advisory Task Force
44. Miami-Dade College
45. Miami-Dade College Earth Ethics Institute
46. Miami-Dade County Public Schools
47. National Parks Conservation Assn.
48. North Dade Regional Chamber of Commerce
49. Northern Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce
50. Palm Beach State College
51. PNC Community Development Banking
52. Port Everglades (Broward County)
53. RCL Development
54. School Board of Broward County
55. Smart Growth Partnership
56. South Florida Regional Business Alliance
57. South Florida Regional Transportation Authority
58. South Florida Water Management District
59. Southeast Florida State Legislative Delegations
60. Southeast Florida Transportation Council (SEFTC)
61. St. John's Water Management District
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72. University of Miami *
73. Urban Environmental League
74. Workforce Solutions

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South Florida and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Councils

Resolutions of Support

1. Broward County Board of County Commissioners
2. Broward County League of Cities
3. Broward MPO
4. Business Development Board of Martin County
5. City of Boynton Beach
6. City of Coral Gables
7. City of Fellsmere
8. City of Hollywood
9. City of Miami Springs
10. City of Oakland Park
11. City of Pompano Beach
12. City of Port St. Lucie
13. City of West Palm Beach
14. City of Weston
15. Coordinating Council of Broward
16. Delray Beach CRA
17. Duany Plater-Zyberk & Company
18. Economic Council of Martin County
19. Gold Coast Clean Cities Coalition
20. Housing Leadership Council of Palm Beach County
21. Indian River Board of County Commissioners
22. Indian River MPO
23. Martin County Board of County Commissioners
24. Martin Soil and Water Conservation District
25. Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners
26. Miami-Dade MPO
27. Monroe County Board of County Commissioners*
28. North Dade Regional Chamber of Commerce
29. Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners
30. Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.
31. Palm Beach MPO
32. South Florida Regional Business Alliance
33. South Florida Regional Transportation Authority
34. St. Lucie County Board of County Commissioners
35. St. Thomas University
36. The State Road 7 / US 441 Collaborative
37. Town of Lake Park
38. Town of Wellington
39. Tropical Audubon Society
40. Village of Islamorada
41. West Palm Beach CRA
42. Westgate/Belvedere Homes CRA