

**Lee County Board Of County Commissioners
Agenda Item Summary**

Blue Sheet No. 20110934

1. ACTION REQUESTED/PURPOSE:

Initiate a proposed amendment to the County's comprehensive plan to evaluate establishment of an overlay zone, or other planning technique, for development in the County's Research and Enterprise Diamond area.

2. FUNDING SOURCE:

N/A

3. WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:

Implements Research and Enterprise Diamond concept in comprehensive plan without waiting for the Evaluation and Appraisal Report based comprehensive plan amendments.

4. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION: Approve

5. Departmental Category: C2A

6. Meeting Date: 11/29/2011

7. Agenda:

Consent

8. Requirement/Purpose: (specify)

- Statute
- Ordinance
- Admin Code AC 13-6
- Other

9. Request Initiated

Commissioner: All
Department: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
Division: Planning
By: Paul OConnor

10. Background:

The Board of County Commissioners can initiate a proposed amendment to the County's comprehensive plan with the affirmative vote of three or more Commissioners. The County has developed the concept of a Research and Enterprise Diamond in the area of the Southwest Florida International Airport and Florida Gulf Coast University. An amendment will help promote a diversified economic base by building on energy research and other desired economic opportunities and will strengthen opportunities for recruiting and grant applications.

11. Required Review:

<i>Mary Gibbs</i>	<i>Donna-Marie Collins</i>	<i>Thelma Davis</i>	<i>David Harris</i>	<i>Peter Winton</i>	
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	County Attorney	Budget Analyst	Budget Services	County Manager	

12. Commission Action: