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Ms. Mikki Rozdolski
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P.O. Box 398
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Re: Lee County CPA2016-00001 and CPA2016-00001 / DEO 16-4ESR

Dear Ms. Rozdolski:

The staff of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council has reviewed the proposed amendment (DEO 16-4ESR) to the Lee County Comprehensive Plan. The review was performed according to the requirements of the Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development Regulation Act.

The Council will review the proposed amendment and the staff recommendations at its September 15, 2016 meeting. Council staff is recommending that the request be found not regionally significant. Council staff is also recommending that the proposed changes are consistent with the SRPP and do not produce extra-jurisdictional impacts that are inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plans of other local governments.

A copy of the official staff report explaining the Council staff's recommendation is attached. If Council action differs from the staff recommendation, we will notify you.

Sincerely,

Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council

Margaret Wuerstle, AICP

Executive Director

MW/DEC Attachment

Cc: Mr. Eubanks, Administrator, Plan Review and Processing, Department of Economic Development

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS LEE COUNTY

The Council staff has reviewed the proposed evaluation and appraisal based amendments to the Lee County Comprehensive Plan (DEO 16-4ESR). These amendments were developed under the Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development Regulation Act. A synopsis of the requirements of the Act and Council responsibilities is provided as Attachment II. Comments are provided in Attachment III. Site location maps can be reviewed in Attachment III.

Staff review of the proposed amendments was based on whether they were likely to be of regional concern. This was determined through assessment of the following factors:

- 1. <u>Location</u>--in or near a regional resource or regional activity center, such that it impacts the regional resource or facility; on or within one mile of a county boundary; generally applied to sites of five acres or more; size alone is not necessarily a determinant of regional significance;
- 2. <u>Magnitude</u>--equal to or greater than the threshold for a Development of Regional Impact of the same type (a DRI-related amendment is considered regionally significant); and
- 3. <u>Character</u>--of a unique type or use, a use of regional significance, or a change in the local comprehensive plan that could be applied throughout the local jurisdiction; updates, editorial revisions, etc. are not regionally significant.

A summary of the results of the review follows:

Factors of Regional Significance

<u>Proposed</u>				
<u>Amendment</u>	Location	<u>Magnitude</u>	<u>Character</u>	Consistent
DEO 16-4ESR	No	No	No	(1) Not regionally significant
				(2) Consistent with SRPP

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve staff comments. Authorize staff to forward comments to the Department of Economic Opportunity and Lee County

COMMUNITY PLANNING ACT

Local Government Comprehensive Plans

The Act requires each municipal and county government to prepare a comprehensive plan that must include at least the following nine elements:

- 1. Future Land Use Element;
- 2. Traffic Circulation Element;

A local government with all or part of its jurisdiction within the urbanized area of a Metropolitan Planning Organization shall prepare and adopt a transportation element to replace the traffic circulation; mass transit; and ports, aviation, and related facilities elements. [9J-5.019(1), FAC]

- 3. General Sanitary Sewer, Solid Waste, Drainage, and Potable Water and Natural Groundwater Aquifer Recharge Element;
- 4. Conservation Element;
- Recreation and Open Space Element;
- 6. Housing Element;
- 7. Coastal Management Element for coastal jurisdictions;
- 8. Intergovernmental Coordination Element; and
- 9. Capital Improvements Element.

The local government may add optional elements (e. g., community design, redevelopment, safety, historical and scenic preservation, and economic).

All local governments in Southwest Florida have adopted revised plans:

Charlotte County, Punta Gorda

Collier County, Everglades City, Marco Island, Naples

Glades County, Moore Haven

Hendry County, Clewiston, LaBelle

Lee County, Bonita Springs, Cape Coral, Fort Myers, Fort Myers Beach, Sanibel

Sarasota County, Longboat Key, North Port, Sarasota, Venice

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

A local government may amend its plan at any time during the calendar year. Six copies of the amendment are sent to the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) for review. A copy is also sent to the Regional Planning Council, the Water Management District, the Florida Department of Transportation, and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

The proposed amendments will be reviewed by DEO in two situations. In the first, there must be a written request to DEO. The request for review must be received within forty-five days after transmittal of the proposed amendment. Reviews can be requested by one of the following:

- the local government that transmits the amendment,
- · the regional planning council, or
- an affected person.

In the second situation, DEO can decide to review the proposed amendment without a request. In that case, DEO must give notice within thirty days of transmittal.

Within five working days after deciding to conduct a review, DEO may forward copies to various reviewing agencies, including the Regional Planning Council.

Regional Planning Council Review

The Regional Planning Council must submit its comments in writing within thirty days of receipt of the proposed amendment from DEO. It must specify any objections and may make recommendations for changes. The review of the proposed amendment by the Regional Planning Council must be limited to "effects on regional resources or facilities identified in the Strategic Regional Policy Plan and extrajurisdictional impacts which would be inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of the affected local government".

After receipt of comments from the Regional Planning Council and other reviewing agencies, DEO has thirty days to conduct its own review and determine compliance with state law. Within that thirty-day period, DEO transmits its written comments to the local government.

NOTE: THE ABOVE IS A SIMPLIFIED VERSION OF THE LAW. REFER TO THE STATUTE (CH. 163, FS) FOR DETAILS.

LEE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT (DEO 16-4ESR)

RECEIVED: AUGUST 18, 2016

Summary of Proposed Amendment

Lee County DEO 16-4ESR consists of two amendments, CPA2016-00001 and CPA2016-00004:

<u>CPA2016-00001</u>, <u>Airport Development Schedule Update</u>: Update Table 5(a), for the Southwest Florida International Airport, to consolidate future development into a single phase. Update Table 5(b), for the Page Field Airport, to consolidate future development into a single phase and add 25,000 square feet for a multi-use hanger. Update the Lee Plan FLU and Transportation Elements to reflect these changes and make consistent throughout the Lee Plan.

The changes replace the existing development information to reflect 2016 conditions, consolidate each airport's two phase schedule into one phase each. The proposed 25,000 square foot multi-use hangar will be used to support the economic feasibility and maximization of uses at the airport. The proposed amendments will keep the Lee Plan up to date by incorporating the latest development schedule data into Table 5(a) and Table 5(b), and by maintaining consistency with the Lee Plan Future Land Use and Transportation Elements.

<u>CPA2016-00004, RSW Noise Zone Update:</u> Update Lee Plan Map 1, Page 5 of 8 titles "Special Treatment Areas" (Airport Noise Zone Map) and related Policy 1.7.1 to be consistent with the 2013 Southwest Florida International Airport Part 150 Noise Study.

The changes in the proposed noise zones are the result of data gathered during the 2013 Part 150 Noise Study required by Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations. The existing noise zone map uses data from the Part 150 Study completed in 2006. The expansion of Noise Zone B, which does not permit any residential development, will not impact land designated for residential uses per the Lee Plan Future Land Use Map (FLUM).

Regional Impacts

Council staff has reviewed the requested changes and finds that the requested Comprehensive Plan amendments do not directly produce any significant regional impacts that would be inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan of any other local government within the region.

Extra-Jurisdictional Impacts

Council staff has reviewed the requested changes and finds that the requested Comprehensive Plan amendments do not directly produce any significant extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan of any other local government within the region.

Conclusion

No adverse effects on regional resources or facilities and no extra-jurisdictional impacts have been identified. Staff finds that this project is not regionally significant.

Recommended Action

Approve staff comments. Authorize staff to forward comments to the Department of Economic Opportunity and Lee County.

MAPS

Lee County

DEO 16-4ESR

Growth Management Plan

Comprehensive Plan Amendment



