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## Meeting planned to discuss updates to community planning goals

Fort Myers, FL, Nov. 28, 2017 – A meeting to outline updates to community planning goals in the Lee Plan is set for 5 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 5, in Room 118 in the Administration East Building, 2201 Second St., Fort Myers.

Lee County staff will provide an overview of proposed amendments including reorganizing the community plan goals into a consolidated portion of the Lee Plan, updating cross references and out-of-date provisions, combining similar provisions to reduce redundancies, and providing consistency throughout the community plans.

A community plan is a goal in the Lee Plan specific to a defined area of the county where long-term objectives of the community, and policies to meet these objectives, are identified. There are 17 distinct community planning areas identified in the Lee Plan.

The Dec. 5 meeting begins the community plan update process. Proposed amendments will be available for review at the meeting or in the second-floor lobby of the Lee County Public Works Building, 1500 Monroe St., Fort Myers, FL 33901. The draft amendment documents will be available this week here: https://www.leegov.com/dcd/CommunityPlanning.

Proposed amendments will go through a formal public hearing process, first with the Local Planning Agency and then the Lee Board of County Commissioners.

Beginning in 2018, staff will hold community workshops in the various planning areas to allow residents to discuss their vision for their community.

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