STATE OF FLORIDA



DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FIND THE

CITY OF FORT MYERS

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS IN COMPLIANCE

DOCKET NO. 03-1-NOI-3603-(A)-(I)

The Department gives notice of its intent to find the Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Fort Myers adopted by Ordinance No. 3119 on May 19, 2003, IN COMPLIANCE, pursuant to Sections 163.3184, 163.3187 and 163.3189, F.S.

The adopted City of Fort Myers Comprehensive Plan Amendments and the Department's Objections, Recommendations and Comments Report, (if any), are available for public inspection Monday through Friday, except for legal holidays, during normal business hours, at the City of Fort Myers City Hall, Planning Department, 2nd Floor, 2200 Second Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901.

Any affected person, as defined in Section 163.3184, F.S., has a right to petition for an administrative hearing to challenge the proposed agency determination that the Amendments to the City of Fort Myers Comprehensive Plan are In Compliance, as defined in Subsection 163.3184(1), F.S. The petition must be filed within twenty-one (21) days after publication of this notice, and must include all of the information and contents described in Uniform Rule 28-106.201, F.A.C. The petition must be filed with the Agency Clerk, Department of Community Affairs, 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100, and a copy mailed or delivered to the local government. Failure to timely file a petition shall constitute a waiver of any right to request an administrative proceeding as a petitioner under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. If a petition is filed, the purpose of the administrative hearing will be to present evidence and testimony and forward a recommended order to the Department. If no petition is filed, this Notice of Intent shall become final agency action.

If a petition is filed, other affected persons may petition for leave to intervene in the proceeding. A petition for intervention must be filed at least twenty (20) days before the final hearing and must include all of the information and contents described in Uniform Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C. A petition for leave to intervene shall be filed at the Division of Administrative Hearings, Department of Management Services, 1230 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1550. Failure to petition to intervene within the allowed time frame constitutes a waiver of any right such a person has to request a hearing under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to participate in the administrative hearing.

After an administrative hearing petition is timely filed, mediation is available pursuant to Subsection 163.3189(3)(a), F.S., to any affected person who is made a party to the proceeding by filing that request with the administrative law judge assigned by the Division of Administrative Hearings. The choice of mediation shall not affect a party's right to an administrative hearing.

-s-Charles Gauthier, AICP

Chief, Bureau of Local Planning

Department of Community Affairs

Division of Community Planning

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Examiner

Douglas R. St. Cerny District Two January 23, 2003

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| Donald D. Stilwell County Manager | Tallahassee, FL. 32399-2100 | | |
| James G. Yaeger | Re: Amendments to the Lee Plan | | |
| County Attorney | Adoption Submission Package (DCA No. 02-2) for the 2001/2002 Regular Comprehensive | | |
| Diana M. Parker County Hearing | Plan Amendment Cycle | | |

Dear Mr. Eubank:

In accordance with the provisions of F.S. Chapter 163.3184 and of 9J-11.011, this submission package constitutes the adopted 2001/2002 Regular Comprehensive Plan Amendment Cycle to the Lee Plan (DCA No. 01-1), known locally as CPA 2001-09, CPA 2001-10, CPA 2001-11, CPA 2001-12, CPA 2001-15, CPA 2001-18, CPA 2001-22, CPA 2001-23, CPA 2001-24, CPA 2001-27, CPA 2001-28, CPA 2001-31, CPA 2001-32, CPA 2001-33, and CPA 2001-35. The adoption hearing for these plan amendments was held at 9:30 am on January 9, 2003.

Included with this package, per 9J-11.011(5), are three copies of the adopted amendments, supporting data and analysis, and the following seven adopting ordinances: Ordinance No. 03-01, Ordinance No. 03-02, Ordinance No. 03-03, Ordinance No. 03-04, Ordinance No. 03-05, Ordinance No. 03-06, and Ordinance No. 03-07. Also included, per F.S. 163.3184(7) and (15), is the required sign in form allowing a courtesy informational statement to interested citizens. By copy of this letter and its attachments I certify that this amendment has been sent to the Regional Planning Council, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), the Department of Environmental Protection, the Florida Department of State, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Forestry, and the South Florida Water Management District.

The initial staff reports for the proposed amendments were sent to the DCA with a transmittal cover letter dated September 19, 2002. All amendments previously reviewed by the Department in this current cycle of amendments were adopted by the Board of County Commissioners. Changes have occurred in CPA 2001-12, CPA 2001-10, CPA 2001-27, and CPA 2001-28. CPA 2001-12 has been revised since the time of transmittal. The connection between Three Oaks Parkway and Oriole Road has been revised and has been coordinated with the adjacent property owners. One revision to CPA 2001-10 was made in response to comments raised by the Department in the ORC Report. The Board of County Commissioners adopted the amendment with the deletion of Policy 21.9,

Ray Eubank, Administrator Adoption of 2001/2002 Regular Comprehensive Plan Amendment Cycle (DCA No. 02-2)

regarding the protection of mangroves on Captiva Island. The Board has directed staff to look further into applying such a policy county wide. In amendment CPA 2001-27 a new Objective and Policy have been added to the Community Facilities and Services Element of the Lee Plan regarding the incorporation of green infrastructure into the surface water management systems of proposed developments as well as providing definitions for green infrastructure and flow-way in the Glossary. Since transmittal, staff has met with the public and state agencies on issues raised at the Transmittal hearing. Staff has revised the transmitted language as a result of those meetings. The revisions to the subject amendment were sent to the DCA for review on November 8, 2002 prior to the issuance of the ORC Report and were adopted by the Board. CPA 2001-28 has added a new table reflecting the new 2003/2007 fiscal year to the CIP. The Board of County Commissioners adopted CPA 2001-12, CPA 2001-10, CPA 2001-27, and CPA 2001-28 with the noted changes.

If you have any questions, or if I can be of any assistance in this matter, please feel free to call me at the above telephone number.

Sincerely, DEPT. OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT Division of Planning

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Paul O'Connor, AICP Director

All documents and reports attendant to this adoption are also being sent, by copy of this cover, to:

David Burr Interim Director Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council

Mike Rippe, District Director FDOT District One

Executive Director South Florida Water Management District

Plan Review Section Department of Environmental Protection

Florida Department of State

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Forestry

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF LEE

I Charlie Green, Clerk of Circuit Court, Lee County, Florida, and ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, Lee County, Florida, do hereby Certify that the above and foregoing, is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 03-04, adopted by the Board of Lee County Commissioners, at their meeting held on the 9th day of January, 2003.

Given under my hand and seal, at Fort Myers, Florida, this 15th day of January, 2003.

CHARLIE GREEN, Clerk of Circuit Court Lee County, Florida

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Deputy Clerk



Clerk of County Court - Comptroller - Auditor - Recorder - Custodian of All County Funds P.O. Box 2469 Fort Myers, Florida 33902-2469 (941) 335-2283

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LEE COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 03-04 (Consent Ordinance)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LEE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN, COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE "LEE PLAN" ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 89-02, AS AMENDED, SO AS TO ADOPT AMENDMENTS APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA DURING THE COUNTY'S 2001/2002 REGULAR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT CYCLE; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS TO ADOPTED TEXT AND MAPS; PURPOSE AND SHORT TITLE; LEGAL EFFECT; GEOGRAPHICAL APPLICABILITY; SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, SCRIVENER'S ERRORS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Lee County Comprehensive Plan (hereinafter referred to as the "Lee Plan") Policy 2.4.1 and Chapter XIII, provides for adoption of amendments to the Plan in compliance with State statutes and in accordance with administrative procedures adopted by the Board of County Commissioners; and,

WHEREAS, the Lee County Board of County Commissioners, in accordance with Section 163.3181, Florida Statutes, and Lee County Administrative Code AC-13-6 provide an opportunity for the public to participate in the plan amendment public hearing process; and,

WHEREAS, the Lee County Local Planning Agency ("LPA") held public hearings pursuant to Chapter 163, Part II, Florida Statutes, and the Lee County Administrative Code on March 25, April 22, July 22, and August 26, 2002; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, pursuant to Florida Statutes and the Lee County Administrative Code held a public hearing for the transmittal of the proposed amendments on September 4 and 5, 2002. At those hearings the Board approved a motion to send, and did later send, the proposed amendment to the Florida Department of Community Affairs ("DCA") for review and comment; and,

WHEREAS, at the transmittal hearings on September 4 and 5, 2002, the Board

announced its intention to hold a public hearing after the receipt of DCA's written comments commonly referred to as the "ORC Report." DCA issued their ORC report on November 22, 2002; and,

WHEREAS, the Board moved to adopt the proposed amendments to the Lee Plan set forth herein during its statutorily prescribed public hearing for the plan amendments on January 9, 2003.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT:

SECTION ONE: PURPOSE, INTENT AND SHORT TITLE

The Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida, in compliance with Chapter 163, Part II, Florida Statutes, and with Lee County Administrative Code AC-13-6, conducted a series of public hearings to consider proposed amendments to the Lee Plan. The purpose of this ordinance is to adopt the certain amendments to the Lee Plan discussed at those meetings and approved by a majority of the Board. The short title and proper reference for the Lee County Comprehensive Land Use Plan, as amended, will continued to be the "Lee Plan." This ordinance may be referred to as the "2001/2002 Regular Comprehensive Plan Amendment Cycle Consent Ordinance."

<u>SECTION TWO: ADOPTION OF LEE COUNTY'S 2000/2001 REGULAR</u> <u>COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT CYCLE (Consent Agenda Items)</u>

The Lee County Board of County Commissioners amends the existing Lee Plan, adopted by Ordinance Number 89-02, as amended, by adopting amendments, as revised by the Board of County Commissioners on January 9, 2003, known as: CPA2001-11, CPA2001-15, CPA2001-22, CPA2001-23, CPA2001-24, CPA2001-31, CPA2001-32, CPA2001-33, and CPA2001-35. The aforementioned amendments amend the text of the Lee Plan including the Future Land Use Map series, the Transportation Map series, and the tables of the Lee Plan. A brief summary of the content of those amendments is set forth below:

CPA 2001-11

Amend the Future Land Use Element, Policy 1.2.2, the Airport Commerce descriptor policy, to broaden the allowable uses and to establish relationships and criteria for those uses.

CPA 2001-15

Amend the Future Land Use Map series, Map 1, by updating the Conservation Lands land use categories.

CPA 2001-22

Amend the Future Land Use Map Series, Map 12, the Water Dependent Overlay (WDO) Zones, by evaluating and updating the status of the overlay areas and the Goals, Objectives, and Policies that pertain to the WDO.

CPA 2001-23

Evaluate and amend the Future Land Use Map series, Map 20, the Agricultural Overlay and Goal 9, Agricultural Land Uses, and its subsequent objectives and policies.

CPA 2001-24

Update Table 2(b), Recommended Operational Improvements on Constrained Roads.

CPA 2001-31

Amend Policy 80.1.7 of the Conservation and Coastal Management Element by updating the policy to reflect a new percentage for replacement values and revising the target date when development regulations will require implementation of this policy.

CPA 2001-32

Amend the Intergovernmental Coordination Element and the Community Facilities Element to bring the elements into compliance with the provisions of F.S. Chapter 163.3177

CPA 2001-33

Amend the Build Back Policy of the Procedures and Administration Element by replacing references to the term "cost" with the term "value."

CPA 2001-35

Review all elements of the Lee Plan, and replace, where applicable, references to the Lee County Regional Water Supply Authority with Lee County Utilities or the Division of Natural Resources in conjunction with the County taking over the responsibilities of the Water Supply Authority.

The corresponding Staff Reports and Analysis, along with all attachments for these amendments are adopted as "Support Documentation" for the Lee Plan.

SECTION THREE: LEGAL EFFECT OF THE "LEE PLAN"

No public or private development will be permitted except in conformity with the Lee Plan. All land development regulations and land development orders must be consistent with the Lee Plan as amended.

SECTION FOUR: GEOGRAPHIC APPLICABILITY

The Lee Plan is applicable throughout the unincorporated area of Lee County, Florida, except in those unincorporated areas included in joint or interlocal agreements with other local governments that specifically provide otherwise.

SECTION FIVE: SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this ordinance are severable and it is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida, to confer the whole or any part of the powers herein provided. If any of the provisions of this ordinance are held unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the decision of that court will not affect or impair the remaining provisions of this ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent of the Board of County Commissioners that this ordinance would have been adopted had the unconstitutional provisions not been included therein.

SECTION SIX: INCLUSION IN CODE, CODIFICATION, SCRIVENERS' ERROR

It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners that the provisions of this ordinance will become and be made a part of the Lee County Code. Sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or relettered and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish this intention; and regardless of whether inclusion in the code is accomplished, sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or relettered. The correction of typographical errors that do not affect the intent, may be authorized by the County Manager, or his or her designee, without need of public hearing, by filing a corrected or recodified copy with the Clerk of the Circuit Court. SECTION SEVEN: EFFECTIVE DATE

The plan amendments adopted herein are not effective until a final order is issued by the DCA or Administrative Commission finding the amendment in compliance with Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, whichever occurs earlier. No development orders, development permits, or land uses dependent on this amendment may be issued or commence before the amendment has become effective. If a final order of noncompliance is issued by the Administration Commission, this amendment may nevertheless be made effective by adoption of a resolution affirming its effective status. A copy of such resolution will be sent to the DCA, Bureau of Local Planning, 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100.

THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE was offered by Commissioner Albion, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Janes, and, when put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

| Robert P. Janes | Aye |
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| Douglas St. Cerny | Aye |
| Ray Judah | Aye |
| Andrew Coy | Aye |
| John Albion | Aye |
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DONE AND ADOPTED this 9th day of January 2003.

ATTEST: CHARLIE GREEN, CLERK

BY **Deputy Clerk**

LEE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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DATE: 1/9/03

Approved as to form by:

Donna Marie Collins County Attorney's Office



CPA 2001-31 BoCC SPONSORED AMENDMENT TO THE

LEE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

THE LEE PLAN

BoCC Adoption Document

Lee County Planning Division 1500 Monroe Street P.O. Box 398 Fort Myers, FL 33902-0398 (941) 479-8585

January 9, 2003

LEE COUNTY DIVISION OF PLANNING STAFF REPORT FOR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT CPA 2001-31

| 1 | This Document Contains the Following Reviews: |
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| 1 | Staff Review |
| 1 | Local Planning Agency Review and Recommendation |
| 1 | Board of County Commissioners Hearing for Transmittal |
| 1 | Staff Response to the DCA Objections, Recommendations, and Comments (ORC) Report |
| 1 | Board of County Commissioners Hearing for Adoption |

STAFF REPORT PREPARATION DATE: April 15, 2002

PART I - BACKGROUND AND STAFF RECOMMENDATION

A. SUMMARY OF APPLICATION

1. APPLICANT:

LEE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REPRESENTED BY LEE COUNTY DIVISION OF PLANNING AND DIVISION OF PUBLIC SAFETY

2. REQUEST:

Amend Policy 80.1.7 of the Conservation and Coastal Management Element by updating the policy to reflect a new percentage for replacement values and revising the target date when development regulations will require implementation of this policy.

B. STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND FINDINGS OF FACT SUMMARY:

1. RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners transmit this proposed amendment. The specific language modifications that staff recommends is provided below:

POLICY 80.1.7: By 1995, Maintain the current county development regulations will requireing that any building that is improved, modified, added on to, or reconstructed by more than twenty (20) twenty five (25) percent of its replacement value and which has recorded one or more National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) flood losses of \$1000.00 or more since 1978 a repetitive loss as defined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency will be brought into compliance with current regulatory standards for new construction. (Amended by Ordinance No. 92-35, 94-30, 00-22)

2. BASIS AND RECOMMENDED FINDINGS OF FACT:

- The policy currently has an outdated implementation date of 1995. The policy has been incorporated into existing county regulations and the policy should be updated to reflect this fact.
- The amendment will reflect a new percentage for replacement values which is consistent with the Federal Emergency Management Agency's current threshold.
 - The amendment updates the policy language by using the term repetitive losses as defined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency as well as the Lee County Land Development Code.

C. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This amendment was initiated by the Board of County Commissioners on September 25, 2001. Policy 80.1.7 was originally adopted in August of 1992 as part of the 1991/1992 Regular Comprehensive Plan Amendment Cycle. At the time the policy was proposed, existing buildings in flood plain areas could be improved or reconstructed without meeting the current codes and standards at that time as long as the project did not exceed 50% of the building's value. Lee County staff found that a more effective way of providing flood protection for older buildings was requiring compliance with flood plain management regulations when requested improvements were **less** than 50% of the building's value, bringing more non-conforming buildings up to flood protection standards. As shown above in the strike-through/underline proposed language, the originally adopted policy used a lower threshold for substantial improvements for any building that has suffered a recorded flood loss of \$1,000.00 or more and reduced the threshold from more than 50% to more than 20% of the building's replacement value. Staff is proposing the changes noted above as an update to Policy 80.1.7 of the Conservation and Coastal Management Element of the Lee Plan.

PART II - STAFF ANALYSIS

A. STAFF DISCUSSION

The proposed amendment to Policy 80.1.7 removes the 1995 target date of incorporating the Policy into County regulations. At this time the Lee County Land Development Code addresses these issues through Sections 6-405 and 6-472. The amendment also changes modifications to buildings from 20% to 25% of its replacement value which is consistent with the Federal Emergency Management Agency's current threshold. Additionally the amendment changes the policy language from 'one or more losses of \$1,000.00 or more'' to a repetitive loss as defined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. This change will allow flood insurance funds available in an increased cost of construction clause in flood insurance policies to be used to bring these buildings into compliance. It also significantly reduces the number of properties that would have to comply with these provisions through the definition of repetitive loss, which means two or more, rather than the current one or more. The definition of repetitive loss, as defined by the Federal Emergency Management Code is reproduced below:

Repetitive loss means flood-related damage sustained by a structure on two separate occasions during a ten-year period for which the cost of repairs at the time of each flood event, on the

STAFF REPORT FOR CPA 2001-31

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Staff can now narrow down repetitive losses with the County's current database as well as the fact that repetitive loss is easier to prove due to the record of added claims, provided through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's yearly records.

Again, as noted above, the Lee County Land Development Code addresses these issues through sections 6-405 and 6-472. Section 6-405 defines repetitive loss as follows:

Repetitive loss means flood-related damage sustained by a structure on two separate occasions during a ten-year period for which the cost of repairs at the time of each flood event, on the average, equals or exceeds 25 percent of the market value of the structure before the damage occurred.

Section 6-405 also defines substantial improvement as follows:

Substantial improvement means any repair, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or improvement to a structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds, over a five-year period, a cumulative total of 50 percent of the market value of the structure:

- (1) before the repair or improvement is started; or
- (2) If the structure has been damaged and is being restored, before the damage occurred.

For purposes of this definition, substantial improvement is considered to occur when the first alteration of any wall, ceiling, floor or other structural part of the building commences, whether or not that alteration affects the external dimensions of the structure.

This term includes structures that have incurred repetitive loss or substantial damage, regardless of the actual repair work performed.

The term does not include any project for improvement of a structure to comply with existing state or local health, sanitary or safety code specifications that are necessary solely to ensure safe living conditions; or any alteration of a structure listed on the National Register of Historic Places or the state inventory of Historic Places, or designated as a historic resource, individually, or as a contributing property in a historic district, under chapter 22.

As noted in the above citation, the definition for substantial improvements includes the term repetitive loss.

Section 6-472 requires that any new residential construction or substantial improvements be elevated to the base flood elevation. Section 6-472, Specific standards, is reproduced below:

In all areas of special flood hazard where base flood elevation data has been provided as set forth in this article, the following provisions are required:

(1) Residential construction. New construction or substantial improvement of any residential structure shall have the lowest floor, including basement, elevated to or above the base flood elevation. This shall apply to manufactured homes that are to be placed or substantially improved on sites in a new manufactured home park or subdivision, in an expansion of an existing manufactured home park or subdivision, in an existing manufactured home park or subdivision on which a manufactured home on that specific site has incurred substantial damage as a result of a flood, and outside of a manufactured home park or subdivision. Should solid foundation perimeter walls be used to elevate a structure, openings sufficient to facilitate the unimpeded movements of floodwaters shall be provided in accordance with standards of subsection (3) of this section.

As can be noted from these Land Development Code Citations, the intent of Policy 80.1.7 has been incorporated into the county development regulations.

B. CONCLUSIONS

The current policy was created initially to model the 20% figure after what the Federal Emergency Management Agency would be bringing about as a threshold. Today the Federal Emergency Management Agency uses a 25% threshold and the Lee Plan policy should reflect this. The intent of the policy has been recorded into the county regulations.

C. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Planning staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners transmit this proposed amendment. This recommendation is based upon the previously discussed issues and conclusions of this report. Staff recommends that Policy 80.1.7, as provided in the Conservation and Coastal Management Element of the Lee Plan be modified as follows:

POLICY 80.1.7: By 1995, Maintain the current county development regulations will requireing that any building that is improved, modified, added on to, or reconstructed by more than twenty (20) twenty five (25) percent of its replacement value and which has recorded one or more National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) flood losses of \$1000.00 or more since 1978 a repetitive loss as defined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency will be brought into compliance with current regulatory standards for new construction. (Amended by Ordinance No. 92-35, 94-30, 00-22)

PART III - LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION

DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING: April 22, 2002

A. LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY REVIEW

Planning staff provided the LPA a brief presentation concerning the amendment. Staff stated that the amendment reflects a new percentage for replacement values and a revision to the target date for implementation. Staff provided that the intent of the policy has been incorporated into the Land Development Code, and the Lee Plan should reflect this fact. Staff also stated that the 25 percent replacement value is consistent with the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

The LPA provided no discussion concerning the proposed amendment.

B. LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY RECOMMENDATION AND FINDINGS OF FACT SUMMARY

- 1. **RECOMMENDATION:** The Local Planning Agency recommends that the Board of County Commissioners transmit the proposed amendment to the Florida Department of Community Affairs.
- 2. BASIS AND RECOMMENDED FINDINGS OF FACT: As contained in the staff report.
- C. VOTE:

| NOEL ANDRESS | AYE |
|------------------|-----|
| MATT BIXLER | AYE |
| SUSAN BROOKMAN | AYE |
| RONALD INGE | AYE |
| GORDON REIGELMAN | AYE |
| ROBERT SHELDON | AYE |
| GREG STUART | AYE |

PART IV - BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEARING FOR TRANSMITTAL OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT

DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING: September 4, 2002

A. BOARD REVIEW: The Board of County Commissioners provided no discussion concerning the proposed plan amendment. This item was approved on the consent agenda.

B. BOARD ACTION AND FINDINGS OF FACT SUMMARY:

- 1. **BOARD ACTION:** The Board of County Commissioners voted to transmit the proposed plan amendment.
- 2. BASIS AND RECOMMENDED FINDINGS OF FACT: The Board accepted the findings of fact advanced by staff and the LPA.

C. VOTE:

| JOHN ALBION | AYE |
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| ANDREW COY | ABSENT |
| BOB JANES | AYE |
| RAY JUDAH | AYE |
| DOUG ST. CERNY | AYE |
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PART V - DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS OBJECTIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS, AND COMMENTS (ORC) REPORT

DATE OF ORC REPORT: November 22, 2002

A. DCA OBJECTIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND COMMENTS

The DCA had no objections, recommendations, or comments concerning this amendment.

B. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the amendment as transmitted.

PART VI - BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEARING FOR ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT

DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING: January 9, 2003

A. **BOARD REVIEW:** The Board provided no discussion on this amendment. This item was approved on the consent agenda.

B. BOARD ACTION AND FINDINGS OF FACT SUMMARY:

- 1. BOARD ACTION: The Board voted to adopt the amendment.
- 2. BASIS AND RECOMMENDED FINDINGS OF FACT: The Board accepted the findings of fact as advanced by staff.

C. VOTE:

| JOHN ALBION | AYE |
|----------------|-----|
| ANDREW COY | AYE |
| BOB JANES | AYE |
| RAY JUDAH | AYE |
| DOUG ST. CERNY | AYE |
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