

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Meeting Date: December 11, 2006 Workshop
Agenda Item: Hillsborough County: Evaluation and Appraisal
Report – Based Plan Amendment Process

SUMMARY

Hillsborough County's Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR) was found "Sufficient" in August 2005, by the Department of Community Affairs (DCA). The report represents an evaluation of the past seven years of implementation of the existing Comprehensive Plan (Plan). The EAR is intended to provide a summary analysis of the development and growth trends in the unincorporated County. State Statute requires that the County amend its Comprehensive Plan based upon the recommendations of the EAR. These EAR based amendments must be adopted within a maximum of 24 months of the "sufficiency" determination date.

BACKGROUND

The Planning Commission is now in the process of preparing the Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR) based plan amendments. This is the third in a series of three (3) workshops with the Planning Commission to familiarize the Commissioners with the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan. These plan amendments are intended to implement the recommendations of the adopted EAR. The third workshop includes a review of changes made to the following elements: Transportation Element, the Future Land Use Element, and the Future Land Use Map Amendments. Many of the changes to the Future Land Use Element are part of the recommendations made by the four consultant studies conducted this year. Those studies discuss redevelopment, balance of uses, timing of growth and infrastructure, and transfer of development rights. The full text of the studies is available on the Planning Commission's web site.

RECOMMENDATION

No action is required at this time. A public hearing is scheduled for January 8, 2007.