# PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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### **AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date:	May 18, 2010	[X] Consent [ ] Workshop	[]Regular []Public Hearing
Department: Submitted By: Submitted For:	County Administration County Administration Economic Development	Office	

## I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

**Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to approve:** a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council and the South Florida Regional Planning Council establishing a working partnership for the Sustainable Communities Initiative (SCI) grant application.

**Summary:** On March 9, 2010, Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) approved Resolution R2010-0313 supporting the Regional Planning Councils of Southeast Florida in preparing a comprehensive joint application under the Federal Sustainable Communities Initiative to improve regional planning efforts with the goal to establish a comprehensive regional plan to improve the Regions Sustainability. This MOU will show Palm Beach County's support for establishing a comprehensive regional plan or vision identifying critical projects and infrastructure to improve the Region's sustainability, and to assist and guide federal agencies in prioritizing and focusing future federal investment in Southeast Florida. **There is no local match required.** Countywide (DW)

Background: In the 2010 Budget, Congress provided a total of \$150 million to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for a Sustainable Communities Initiative to improve regional planning efforts that integrate housing and transportation decisions, and increase the capacity to improve land use and zoning. Of that total, approximately \$100 million will be available for regional integrated planning initiatives through HUD's Sustainable Communities Planning Grant Program. On June 16, 2009, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and HUD announced a new partnership to coordinate federal housing, environmental protection and transportation planning and investment. This partnership is looking to multidisciplinary regional councils of government to identify and coordinate regional strategies to ensure that housing and transportation goals are met while simultaneously protecting the environment, promoting equitable development, and helping to address the challenges of climate change.

#### **Attachments:**

1. Memorandum of Understanding

2. R2010-0313

Recommended by:	Shinn Howard	5/6/10	
Approved by:	Economic Development Director	Date /	
•	Assistant County Administrator	Date	

# II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A.	<b>Five</b>	Year	<b>Summary</b>	of	<b>Fiscal</b>	Impact:
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Fiscal Years	20 <u>10</u>	20 <u>11</u>	20 <u>12</u>	20 <u>13</u>	20 <u>14</u>
Capital Expenditures Operating Costs External Revenues Program Income (PBC) In-Kind Match (PBC)	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	
NET FISCAL IMPACT # ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulativ	* <u>See below</u> /e)				
Is Item Included In Current Budget? Yes No					
Budget Account No: Fund Agency Org Object					

B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

\* No fiscal impact is associated with the approval of this Memorandum of Understanding.

C. Departmental Fiscal Review:

#### **III. REVIEW COMMENTS**

A.	<b>OFMB</b>	<b>Fiscal</b>	and/or	Contract	<b>Administr</b>	ation C	comments:
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B. Legal Sufficiency:

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C. Other Department Review:

**Department Director** 

This summary is not to be used as a basis for payment.

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# SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE TREASURE COAST AND SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

# <u>I. PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND</u>

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to provide a mutual understanding between Palm Beach County and the Treasure Coast and South Florida Regional Planning Councils with respect to the preparation of a Federal Sustainable Communities Initiative (SCI) grant application.

# II. <u>RESPONSIBILITIES</u>

- A. An SCI grant application and work program will be prepared and managed by The Treasure Coast and South Florida Regional Planning Councils in cooperation with other MOU signatories, including, but not limited to Palm Beach County, with the intent of establishing a comprehensive regional plan or vision identifying critical projects and infrastructure to: 1) improve the Region's sustainability; and 2) assist and guide federal funding agencies in prioritizing and focusing future federal investment in Southeast Florida.
- **B.** Any private sector organization, non-profit, academic or research institution, philanthropic partner, community organization, governmental entity, individual, or intermediary agency that bears responsibility for or has an interest in the sustainable development and redevelopment of Southeast Florida may be a partner and signatory to an MOU.

- C. The signatories to this MOU is committed to the following Livability

  Principles relating to the sustainable development and redevelopment of

  Southeast Florida:
  - 1. **Provide more transportation choices.** Develop safe, reliable and economic transportation choices to decrease household transportation costs, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and promote public health.
  - 2. Promote equitable, affordable housing. Expand location and energy-efficient housing choices and lower the combined cost of housing and transportation for Southeast Florida residents.
  - 3. Enhance economic competitiveness. Improve economic competitiveness through employment centers, educational opportunities and services.
  - 4. Support existing communities. Target funding toward existing communities through strategies such as transit-oriented, mixed-use development and land recycling to increase community revitalization.
  - Coordinate policies and leverage investment. Align policies and funding to remove barriers to collaboration, leverage funding, and increase the accountability and effectiveness of all levels of government to plan for future growth.
  - 6. Value communities and neighborhoods. Enhance the unique characteristics of all communities by investing in healthy, safe, and walkable neighborhoods rural, urban or suburban.

D. Any regional plan document developed under the SCI grant will support these Livability Principles and should, to the greatest extent possible and where appropriate, be built upon the foundation of work that has been accomplished and undertaken in the region.

#### III. PROGRAMMING AND FUNDING

- A. This MOU is neither a fiscal nor a funds obligation document.
- **B.** This MOU in no way restricts the signatories from participating in similar activities or arrangements with other entities or agencies.
- C. Nothing in this MOU shall obligate the signatories to expend appropriations, obligate funds or enter into any contract or other agreement.

## IV. **EFFECTIVE DATE**

This MOU will become effective upon execution. Either Party may terminate its participation in this MOU upon written notice to the other Party. The provisions of the MOU will be reviewed periodically, as appropriate, and amended or supplemented as may be mutually agreed upon.

#### V. OTHER MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDINGS

There are no superseding MOU's on this topic among the Parties hereto.

#### VI. ARTICLE 20 – REGULATIONS: LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

The signatories shall comply with all laws, ordinances and regulations applicable to the mutual understanding contemplated herein, to include those applicable to conflict of interest and collusion. Signatories are presumed to be familiar with all Federal, State and local laws, ordinances, codes and regulations that may in any way affect the services offered.

#### VII. <u>SIGNATURES</u>

This MOU may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Each Party has signed this five-page agreement on a separate page. The original signature pages are on file at the South Florida Regional Planning Council, 3440 Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 140, Hollywood, FL 33021; (954) 985-4416.

# SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE TREASURE COAST AND SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

By the signature below, Palm Beach County B	Board of County Commissioners becomes a
signatory to the Sustainable Communities Initia	
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instrument. This original signature page will be	e kept on file at the South Florida Regiona
Planning Council.	
ATTEST: SHARON R. BOCK, Clerk & Comptroller	PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
By:	D
Deputy Clerk	By:Burt Aaronson, Chair
APPROVED AS TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS	
By:	
Economic Development Director	Date
APPROVED AS TO FORM	TREASURE COAST REGIONAL
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY	PLANNING COUNCIL
By:	Dr.
Sr. Assistant County Attorney	By:
SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL	
By:	

# Please return to:

South Florida Regional Planning Council 3440 Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 140 Hollywood, Florida 33021