

MEMORANDUM

TO: Howard Tipton, Town Manager

FROM: Allen Parsons, AICP,
Director – Planning, Zoning and Building Department

REPORT DATE: March 9, 2023

MEETING DATE: April 3, 2023

SUBJECT: Ordinance 2022-19, Amending the Comprehensive Plan,
Infrastructure Element

Recommended Action

Adopt Ordinance 2022-19.

Background

At their January 9, 2023, Regular Meeting the Town Commission held the first reading for Ordinance 2022-19, and voted to transmit the ordinance to local, regional and State agencies, including the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) for review and comment. The Town Commission also voted to recommend scheduling the second reading, public hearing and adoption of Ordinance 2022-19 following DEO review.

The DEO, along with other State and regional agencies, reviewed Ordinance 2022-19, which contains a number of amendments to the Infrastructure Element, primarily derived from the Town's Evaluation and Appraisal Report. The DEO and reviewing agencies did not identify any objections or recommendations to the proposed amendments. However, Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) provided one comment (which staff responded to):

SWFWMD Recommendation: The Work Plan should include a discussion regarding existing and proposed water conservation measures.

Staff Response: The Potable Water Sub-Element Appendix has been revised to provide the recommended information:

“The Town requires the installation of water conservation devices for new construction, pursuant to Chapter 553.14, Florida Statutes, and encourage the installation of the same during redevelopment or rehabilitation. The Town also restricts the unnecessary consumption of potable water, particularly as it relates to irrigation, lawn watering, and vehicle washing during periods of drought, supply reduction, and other emergencies. Finally, the Town promotes water conservation through a public education program developed in cooperation with SWFWMD and the Manatee County Utilities.”

This is the only change to the Infrastructure Element.

Two versions of the Infrastructure Element are included in the agenda packet. The first version is the draft shown with edits. The second version includes all edits, but the edits are not shown in strikethrough/underline.

The Planning & Zoning Board held a public hearing on December 13, 2022, and recommended approval of Ordinance 2022-19, and forwarded it to the January 9, 2023, Regular Meeting for Commission consideration and first reading.

Staff Recommendation

Adopt Ordinance 2022-19

Attachments

- A. Ordinance 2022-19 and Exhibit A: Infrastructure Element (version shown with edits) (Available in Town Clerk's Office)
- B. Exhibit A: Infrastructure Element (clean version without edits) (Available in Town Clerk's Office)
- C. Department of Economic Opportunity, Objections, Recommendations and Comments Report dated March 10, 2023 (Available in Town Clerk's Office).

End of Agenda Item