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# Florida Regional Councils Association Partners Meeting

February 10, 2017 9:00 am – 11:30 am

Tallahassee City Hall
Tallahassee Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor
300 Adams Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

# **SUMMARY**

#### **Members in Attendance:**

- CHAIR, Pat Steed, Central Florida Regional Planning Council (CFRPC)
- VICE CHAIR, Chris Rietow, Apalachee Regional Planning Council (ARPC)
- Isabel Cosio Carballo, South Florida Regional Planning Council (SFRPC)
- Hugh Harling, Jr., East Central Florida Regional Planning Council (ECFRPC)
- Scott Koons, North Central Florida Regional Planning Council (NCFRPC)
- Austin Mount, West Florida Regional Planning Council (WFRPC)
- Sean Sullivan, Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (TBRPC)
- Margaret Wuerstle, Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council

#### Staff in Attendance:

Denise Imbler, Statewide Coordinator, FRCA

#### **Guests in Attendance:**

- Jason Hight, Planning Analyst, Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission
- James Stansbury, Bureau Chief, Florida Department of Economic Opportunity
- Alex Magee, Executive Director, Intergovernmental Programs, American Planning Association, Florida Chapter
- Dr. Jerry Parrish, Chief Economist and Director of Research, Florida Chamber Foundation

#### **Call to Order**

Pat Steed, CFRPC, Chair, called the meeting to order.

# Approval of the December 7, 2016 Partners Meeting Summary

The meeting summary was approved as presented.

# Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission (FWC)

Jason Hight, Planning Analyst presented an update on the Imperiled Species Management Plan (ISMP), 2017. Highlights include Commission approval of the plan with Rule changes effective January 2017. The goal is to have the requirements of the ISMP considered at the beginning of the development process. Would like to host workshops with local governments, planners and home builders in the regions. The presentation is available online at:

http://www.flregionalcouncils.org/resources/meeting-materials/ and the Imperiled Species Management Plan can be found here: <a href="http://myfwc.com/imperiledspecies/">http://myfwc.com/imperiledspecies/</a>.

### Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO)

James Stansbury, Bureau Chief, spoke about updates at DEO. He discussed changes under F.S. 380.06(19). There are alternatives for coordination outside of the DRI process. The Technical Assistance Grants will hopefully continue and RPCs have received a number of them.

# **American Planning Association, Florida Chapter**

Alex Magee, Executive Director, stated that March 31<sup>st</sup> is the deadline to submit presentations for the 2017 annual conference. The 2018 annual conference will be held in West Palm Beach. 1000 Friends of Florida is proposing a change to F.S. 164 addressing dispute resolution. Florida State University is undergoing reaccreditation of its Urban and Regional Planning Program.

#### Florida Chamber Foundation

Dr. Jerry Parrish, Chief Economist and Director of Research provided a presentation on the Chamber's Economic Development Task Force which is available at: <a href="http://www.flregionalcouncils.org/resources/meeting-materials/">http://www.flregionalcouncils.org/resources/meeting-materials/</a>. The Task Force will have a final report ready by the end of February which will be available at: <a href="http://www.flchamber.com/florida-2030">www.flchamber.com/florida-2030</a>

Additionally, the Chamber will be hosting a prosperity summit on May 10<sup>th</sup>. The topic of RPCs being able to create regional scorecards was also discussed.

## Other Business and Adjourn

Noel Munson, DEO requested the RPCs submit economic development projects for inclusion in the State Strategic plan. It does not have to be a project the RPC worked on, but falls within one of the Six Pillars.

Isabel Cosio Carballo discussed the Southeast Florida DataCommon Partnership and will share the statewide data sets.