

Hernando County Comprehensive Plan

2040 PLAN

Section A. Chapter 2.

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL
COORDINATION
ELEMENT**

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GOAL 2.01 – Intergovernmental Coordination

Coordinate the Hernando County Comprehensive Plan and land development regulations with the Comprehensive Plans and regulations of the City of Brooksville, City of Weeki Wachee, adjacent Counties, Hernando County School District and regional, state and federal agencies. [F.S. 163.3177(6)(h)]

Objective 2.01A: **Establish a framework for ongoing coordination between Hernando County and other applicable levels of government.**

Strategy 2.01A(1): Agency coordination methods will consist of the appointment of liaison personnel, formal or informal meetings, and review of coordinating agency plans, land use applications, regulations, and proposed program changes.

Strategy 2.01A(2): The County will consider the Regional Planning Council Dispute Resolution Process established by Florida Statutes and other available mediation programs for resolving conflicts with other local governments that cannot be solved through direct intergovernmental coordination.

Objective 2.01B: **Hernando County shall coordinate with local, regional, state and federal governments and agencies to facilitate improved cooperation, collaboration and communication.**

Strategy 2.01B(1): Hernando County will consider the use of methods for intergovernmental cooperation with other units of government through informal and formal means, as appropriate to the issue, including the use of interlocal agreements, joint planning agreements, joint infrastructure agreements, annexation review, reciprocal review agreements or other appropriate mechanisms where warranted.

Strategy 2.01B(2): The County will coordinate the review of comprehensive plans, proposed plan amendments, and land development regulations with adjacent local governments as required by Interlocal Agreement or State law as applicable.

Strategy 2.01B(3): The County should establish regular lines of communication and formal coordination mechanisms, where appropriate, with the adjacent local governments to review issues and activities which may have impacts across common boundaries.

Strategy 2.01B(4): The County shall initiate the coordination, as needed, with the City of Brooksville on new developments located within the unincorporated area that are also within the first-right-to-serve area as indicated in the adopted Water/Sewer Utility Service Interlocal

Agreement in order to ensure the maintenance of appropriate levels of service.

Strategy 2.01B(5): Hernando County shall, in conjunction with the City of Brooksville, maintain formal coordination mechanisms with the Hernando County School District pursuant to the Public School Facilities Element of this Plan and applicable interlocal agreement. Coordination includes, at a minimum:

- a. interagency meetings as required;
- b. level of service and concurrency management framework;
- c. coordination on co-location of recreational, meeting and/or other facilities;
- d. coordinated review of development proposals that may impact school enrollment;
- e. coordinated review of siting and construction of new or expanded school facilities;
- f. exchange of information updates such as school enrollment, population projections, building permits issued, approved developments and other items that could potentially affect current or future school enrollment.

Strategy 2.01B(6): Hernando County should coordinate with the Pasco-Hernando State College on workforce training, transit connections, co-location of facilities and other activities that would be mutually beneficial.

Strategy 2.01B(7): The County shall maintain formal coordination with the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) and with the Withlacoochee Regional Water Supply Authority (WRWSA) with respect to local and regional water supply planning and permitting including cooperation on review of water supply studies and models and identification of alternative water supplies.

Strategy 2.01B(8): The County will continue to participate in cooperative partnerships with the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) to implement local drainage and stormwater projects, water conservation projects, groundwater protection projects and acquisition projects that protect springs, rivers, floodways, wetlands and aquifer recharge areas.

Strategy 2.01B(9): The County shall maintain formal and informal coordination methods with the Tampa Bay Regional Transit Authority (TBARTA), the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), and the Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to implement long-term transportation plans for the region.

Mechanisms shall be used to ensure that the Transportation Element of this Plan is coordinated with:

- a. the MPO's Long-Range Transportation Plan;
- b. the FDOT adopted 5-year work plan;
- c. the long-range and short-range elements of the Florida Transportation Plan;
- d. the Strategic Regional Policy Plan for the Tampa Bay Region;
- e. the Comprehensive Plans of Brooksville, Weeki Wachee and adjacent counties;
- f. the TBARTA Master Plan and other programs;
- g. any other local or regional transportation planning efforts that may affect the County's transportation system.

Strategy 2.01B(10): Hernando County shall coordinate with the Florida Department of Transportation and Florida Turnpike Authority on issues which affect state roadways and on state roadway impacts to local roads in Hernando County including the development of corridor management plans for the Florida Strategic Intermodal System (SIS).

Strategy 2.01B(11): The County should coordinate with state and federal entities that own land or have other operating interests in Hernando County to provide input into the county's Comprehensive Plan and planning process. As part of the process, the County should identify ways that state and federal entities can augment the goals and strategies contained in the Comprehensive Plan and should consider impacts of development envisioned by the Comprehensive Plan on state and federal resources.

Strategy 2.01B(12): Hernando County shall coordinate with the Cities of Brooksville and Weeki Wachee. Methods for avoiding significant level of service (LOS) impacts from development, combining or sharing services, or reducing redundancy of services may be explored as opportunities arise.