Comprehensive Development Master Plan Evaluation and Appraisal Report

Survey Results
• EAR Survey - interactive web-based platform for public input

• English and Spanish versions

• Available until mid-November

• Over 1100 respondents
Priority Ranking

- Prioritize up to five issues
- Respondents can also comment or suggest other issues
Strategy Rating

- How should the County approach your priorities?
- Rate the strategies provided or suggest another strategy
2018 EAR Survey

Growth Scenarios

- How should we grow to 2040?
- Today (baseline), Future: Trend, Future: Urban Centers
- Shows potential impacts of various growth scenarios

Future: Trend
Recent development trends continue. New growth within Urban Centers continues at a consistent rate. Remaining growth occurs within areas outside of premium transit corridors and subdivision of the agricultural area increases. Pressure to move the Urban Development Boundary (UDB) to accommodate new growth intensifies and may result in development beyond the current UDB prior to 2040. Some of these areas may be vulnerable to the impacts of sea level rise.

Future: Urban Centers
A majority of development is directed into Urban Centers that are walkable, connected by premium transit corridors and less vulnerable to the impacts of sea level rise. Targeted development is accommodated in suburban areas to increase employment opportunities and reduce commute times. Development in rural areas has decreased and land conservation has increased. Pressure to move the Urban Development Boundary decreases since growth is accommodated within the current urban area.
Who Responded to the EAR Survey?

Respondent Age Structure:
- 66 and above: 12%
- 51-65: 23%
- 36-50: 32%
- 20 and below: 2%
- 21-35: 31%

Relationship with Miami-Dade County:
- I live and work here: 64%
- I live here: 29%
- I visit here: 3%
- I work here: 4%
What are the Respondents’ Priorities?

Priorities in Rank Order:
1. Transportation/Mobility
2. Climate Change
3. Housing
4. Infrastructure & Services
5. Environment & History
6. Growth & Development
7. Parks & Open Spaces
8. Economy and agriculture
Encourage greater residential density and mixed use along current and planned transit corridors
Prevent sprawl-type development in the agricultural areas outside of the UDB
Prioritize infrastructure investments necessary to support infill development
Protect residential areas from intrusion by uses that would degrade the tranquility or character
Encourage development of employment centers in residential areas to reduce commute times

1 = less favorable, 5 = more favorable
Encourage preservation through tax abatement, transfer of development rights, and other incentives

Increase public awareness of historic sites through establishment of a historic plaque and maker program

Acquire environmental property from willing sellers through the Environmentally Endangered Lands program

Preserve coastal resources that protect from flooding and storm surge; mangroves, dunes, reefs, etc.

Prioritize conservation of areas that provide habitat for rare, threatened or endangered species

Survey Results - Strategies

Environment and Historic Preservation

1 = less favorable, 5 = more favorable
Increase residential density and mixed-use development along planned transit corridors to support ridership

Address transit connections by enhancing bicycle paths, trolley routes and on-demand ride sharing services

Create a transportation system along waterways

Develop “Complete Streets” that accommodate all modes of transportation including bicyclists and pedestrians

Develop a level of service standard for pedestrian and bicycle trips in addition to auto and transit

Survey Results - Strategies

Transportation Mobility

1 = less favorable, 5 = more favorable
Prioritize facilities and services inside the UDB & avoid extension to the area outside the UDB

Locate schools in close proximity to other civic uses (such as parks and libraries) to allow for joint use

Use water sources that provide an alternative to the Biscayne Aquifer to meet the demands of future growth

Expand sewer service to areas served by septic systems when necessary to address water quality issues

Proactively plan for the relocation of potable wellfields at risk of saltwater intrusion in the future

1 = less favorable, 5 = more favorable
Encourage diversification of the local economy with focus on higher wage jobs

Partner to provide training and job assistance for workers in high unemployment areas

Encourage development of employment centers in primarily residential areas to reduce commute times

Promote agriculture as a viable economic use and protect it from incompatible land uses

Allow for agriculturally-supportive services and retail in the agricultural area

1 = less favorable, 5 = more favorable
Parks and Open Space

1 = less favorable, 5 = more favorable

- Enhance passive public access and interpretive education in parks with natural or historic value
- Provide recreational open space within a half mile of residential areas
- Plan greenways and trails to connect parks, residences, schools, activity centers and transit
- Prioritize co-benefits of parks including flood storage, water treatment, and joint-use with schools
- Preserve coastal resources and water views and increase public access to the shoreline
Survey Results - Strategies

Housing

1 = less favorable, 5 = more favorable
Reduce greenhouse gas emissions by promoting compact development along transit corridors

Limit development in areas vulnerable to sea level rise and encourage development in more resilient areas

Continue to identify vulnerable areas and prioritize adaptation measures to improve resilience

Preserve coastal resources (mangroves, beaches, dunes, reefs) that protect from flooding and storm surge

Proactively plan for relocation of potable water wellfields that may be impacted by saltwater intrusion

1 = less favorable, 5 = more favorable
**Conclusions**

1. Respondents ranked the Future Urban Center scenario very favorably and the Future Trend scenario very unfavorably.

2. Data indicates, respondents strongly prefer a future growth scenario that concentrates development along current and future transit corridors.

**Future Trend:** Growth trends continue which may result in development beyond the current Urban Development Boundary.

**Future Urban Centers:** Growth occurs in Urban Centers that are walkable, connected by premium transit and less vulnerable to the impacts of sea level rise.

1 = less favorable, 5 = more favorable
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