



Interoffice Memorandum

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TO: Mayor Jerry L. Demings
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County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: April 9, 2024 — Work Session Item
Vision 2050 and Orange Code Update

The upcoming Board work session scheduled for April 9, 2024, is the first in a series of three sessions designed to provide updates and seek your direction on policy-related matters, development review processes, and various Orange Code development regulations. These sessions will serve as an opportunity to delve deeper into the Vision 2050 framework that provides for more sustainable growth patterns while addressing challenges with transportation needs, school capacity, and environmental protection. These discussions are crucial as we prepare for final adoption public hearings later this year.

Since the transmittal of Vision 2050 to the Florida Department of Commerce in July of 2023, the Florida Department of Commerce issued an Objections, Recommendations and Comments Report (ORC) with no objections. Since then staff has diligently coordinated efforts to review the current draft of the Orange Code, with the final draft anticipated in July of 2024. Over the past seven months, we have conducted briefings with each Board member about the adoption timeline and facilitated a series of stakeholder meetings with key development industry representatives about the proposed Orange Code development standards and review processes. The Vision 2050 and Orange Code public outreach will continue in the coming months, including six Town Hall meetings in April that are being coordinated with each respective District Commissioner's Office.

During the upcoming Board Work Sessions, we will provide updates on our diverse Public Participation effort; introduce an approach for vesting existing Planned Developments (PD); and describe a process whereby existing PDs may opt into Orange Code. Additionally, we will discuss steps taken to ensure a smooth transition from the existing Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Code into Vision 2050 and Orange Code. Related discussions will encompass existing zoning overlays and special planning areas and their relevance to the new Vision 2050 Place Types. Finally, we will address needed updates to various land development application processes, including those resulting from recent Live Local Act legislation.

This item is for informational purposes only, no action is being requested.

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