## **AGENDA ITFM**

## Interoffice Memorandum



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TO: Mayor Jerry L. Demings

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**County Commissioners** 

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Vision 2050 and Orange Code Update

The last full review of the County's Comprehensive Plan was completed as part of the Evaluation and Appraisal Report adopted in 2009, and despite dozens of updates, the Zoning Code still largely reflects the principles and development framework established in 1957. Consistent with several land development streamlining efforts, staff has been working since 2015 on major updates to the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code. The revised Comprehensive Plan will be retitled as "Vision 2050" and the Zoning Code will be identified as "Orange Code." The purpose of this work session is to provide the Board an update on these efforts.

Since the last work session on this topic back in September 2019, notable progress has been made to restructure the Comprehensive Plan into Vision 2050 to reflect the County's diverse Market Areas and develop an approach for identifying targeted growth areas through the use of neighborhood-defining Place Types. In addition, review of the second Orange Code draft was completed by staff in July 2020, with the review of the final draft now underway. Over the past six months, the Planning Division has held Vision 2050 and Orange Code briefings with the Development Advisory Board, Planning and Zoning Commission, and other County staff.

Major changes to the County's growth plan and land development regulations require extensive public outreach and coordination. With the support of the Communications Division, the Planning Division formally launched a Vision 2050 webpage and public engagement effort on October 12, 2020. Highlighted by Mayor Demings' kick-off video, the webpage provides the public with an overview Page Two
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of Vision 2050, links to an initial series of visual preference surveys, and includes instructions on how to participate and remain engaged in forthcoming Vision 2050 events and activities.

The first of three virtual Market Area Town Hall Meeting Series began on December 14, 2020, and concluded on January 20, 2021. The intent of this first public engagement meeting series was to provide the background to the Comprehensive Plan and to introduce the concept of the Market Area-based Vision 2050 planning effort. Looking ahead, the second Market Area Town Hall Meeting Series will focus on the proposed Growth Sectors and the Place Type policies within Vision 2050, while the third and final Series will address how Vision 2050 goals, objectives, and policies will be implemented by Orange Code.

A broader Vision 2050 and Orange Code update will be provided during the work session, along with a summary of the public input received to date from the online visual preference surveys and the first Market Area Town Hall Meeting Series.

This item is for informational purposes only. No action is being requested.

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