

**NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL (NCFRPC)**  
**MEETING NOTES (UNOFFICIAL) - October 27, 2016**

**ALACHUA CITY COMMISSION MEETING - NOVEMBER 28, 2016**

**ROBERT W. WILFORD, ALACHUA VICE MAYOR**  
**(ALACHUA CITY COMMISSION DELEGATE TO NCFRPC)**

**Vice Mayor Wilford Note:** The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council (NCFRPC) is comprised of the following thirteen counties: Alachua, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Marion, Suwannee, Taylor, and Union.

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**Introductions (Rick Davis)**

Guests in attendance were introduced.

**Guest Speaker**

***There*** was no guest speaker at the meeting. Steven Dopp, NCFRPC Senior Planner for Regional Planning, briefed the council on the activities of the Regional Planning Committee and the schedule for finalizing the update to the “Strategic Regional Plan” for NCFRPC.

**NOTE:** Please refer to the Regional Planning Committee agenda item notes for more detail regarding Mr Dopp’s presentation.

**Minutes of Previous Council Meeting**

***The*** September 22, 2016, minutes were approved.

**Consent Agenda**

***The*** following consent agenda items were approved.

- ***Application*** for U.S. Economic Development Partnership Planning Grant for 2017-2019 in the amount of \$189,000. The council is designated by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration, as an “Economic Development District.” Every three years the council applies for and receives a planning grant from this source to fund the council’s economic development program. The council will be required to provide a match of \$81,000 in order to receive these funds. In addition to the preparation of the region’s “Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy,” these funds are used to assist local governments in assisting them in the submission of applications for state and federal assistance for various development projects in the region.
- ***Agreement*** to execute the “Professional Staff Services Agreement” with the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO) for the Gainesville Urbanized Area. The council assists MTPO with administering a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning program pursuant to a Federal Highway Administration and Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) approved unified work program. The Gainesville Urbanized Area is responsible for developing and maintaining a long-range transportation plan and improvement program. This agreement revises federal statutory and regulation citations and related administrative items listed in the existing 2010 agreement.
- ***Sponsorship*** of the FDOT District 2 local government transportation summit for an estimated \$1,500. This summit is an opportunity for local government representatives to learn about various subjects. It will focus on:

- Discussing new and ongoing funding programs.
- Explaining what projects and activities are eligible for funding.
- Learning about new project data and technologies.
- Introducing new policy language which will impact the operations of partnerships.
- Recognizing the success of partnerships.

The summit is specifically designed for local government staff, administrators, planners, public works professionals, and grant specialists involved in project solicitation and development. It will be held on Thursday, January 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the Holiday Inn and Suites in Lake City.

- **Agreement** with the Town of Bell to provide local government comprehensive planning assistance services for a fee of \$10,000. This agreement will be specifically related to the preparation of evaluation-based amendments and an economic development element to the town's comprehensive plan to address changes to state statutes and administrative rules.
- **Appointment** of Commissioner Beth Burnam as Chair of the Columbia, Hamilton, and Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board (STDCB) in accordance with *Florida Administrative Code, Rule 41-2.012* and STDCB *Bylaws*.
- **Appointments** of Dale French as the voting Workforce Development Board Representative and Kathleen Woodring as the alternate Workforce Development Board Representative on the Levy County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board.
- **Recommendation** of the use of the competitive request for proposals process to designate a Community Transportation Coordinator for Madison County (CTCMC); **Authorization** for the Executive Director to appoint a Selection Committee of at least three council employees who have experience and knowledge of Florida's transportation disadvantaged program; and, **Authorization** for the Selection Committee to review and assign points to the proposals and make a recommendation to the council concerning the designation of CTCMC of highest ranking applicant. Big Bend Transit, Inc., is the current designated transportation coordinator for Madison County. Its "Memorandum of Agreement" will expire on June 30, 2017. Therefore, the council will accept proposals from qualified agencies and/or firms for the award of a contract to coordinate services for transportation disadvantaged persons in Madison County. The selected contractor for Madison County will be designated as its transportation disadvantaged coordinator in accordance with guidelines specified in *Florida Statutes, Chapter 427*, and as fully described in *Florida Administrative Code, Rule 41-2*.

#### Chair Report (Rick Davis)

- A motion was approved to appoint Garth "Sonny" Nobles, Jr., as Chair of the NCFRPC Nominating Committee.
- A resolution of appreciation was approved for Commissioner Jason Bashaw in honor of his service since June 2015 on the Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board and as Chair of STDCB since December 2015.
- **Scott Koons, NCFRPC Executive Director**, was elected as Second Vice President of the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) at its recent annual meeting in San Antonio, Texas. Mr. Koons served this past year as NADO's Treasurer. The association provides advocacy, education, research, and training to a national network of 520 regional development organizations primarily serving small metropolitan and rural communities. The following additional facts highlight NADO's efforts and purposes.
  - The association is an advocate for federal programs and policies which promote regional strategies and solutions for addressing local community and economic development needs.

- The National Association of Development Organizations Research Foundation (NADORF) and NADO promote best practices, analyze the impact of federal policies and programs on regional development organization and regional communities, and examine the latest trends and developments in regional community efforts and economic development.
- The association is the premier organization for executive leaders and professional staff for the nation's regional development organizations and has worked since 1967 to promote the regional cooperation of local governments and communities.
- In 1988, NADORF was founded to serve as the research and professional development affiliate of the association.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Executive (Rick Davis)**

- A motion was approved appointing 25 council members to serve concurrently on the North Central Florida Areawide Development Company (ADCO), Inc., for a term of two years. Members who will represent Alachua County on ADCO for the next two years are: Harvey Budd (Gainesville City Commission), Charles Chestnut, IV (Alachua County Board of County Commissioners), Ken Cornell (Alachua County Board of County Commissioners), Louie Davis (Waldo City Commission), Adrian Hayes-Santos (Gainesville City Commission), DeLoris Roberts (Hawthorne City Commission), Helen Warren (Gainesville City Commission), and Robert W. Wilford (Alachua City Commission). The *Articles of Incorporation* of ADCO, which is a small business loan company, require appointments be made in even-numbered years. **NOTE: An ADCO meeting was conducted following tonight's NCFRPC meeting. A summary of the ADCO meeting is included at the end of these notes.**

### **Clearinghouse (James Montgomery)**

A motion was approved for a City of Hawthorne Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment. The committee did indicate the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners has several concerns regarding adjoining property related to this land use amendment. Therefore, the committee recommends that the Hawthorne City Commission enter into further dialogue with the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners to consider their recommendations.

### **Regional Planning (Helen Warren)**

A motion was approved authorizing staff to transmit the proposed NCFRPC Strategic Regional Policy Plan Evaluation and Appraisal Report-based Amendments, as recommended by the Regional Planning Committee, to the Executive Office of the Governor, state and regional agencies, and local governments for review and comment and to place copies of the proposed amendments at regional libraries within the region. At its September 22, 2016, meeting, the Regional Planning Committee voted to forward the Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR) amendments to the full council for consideration. A complete version of the proposed amendments is available on the council's website at [www.ncfrpc.org/publications.html](http://www.ncfrpc.org/publications.html). Following is an historical summary of activities the Regional Planning Committee underwent in completing this review and revision process.

**Each** Florida regional planning council is required to perform an "Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR)" every five years for its strategic regional policy plan in a manner similar to the process which is required by local governments. The due date for NCFRPC's EAR was January 1, 2016. The purpose of an EAR is to identify those areas of the plan in need of revision based upon new information, new or changing state comprehensive plan policy, or changing regional trends and conditions. The specific guidance for performing an EAR review is provided in *Florida Administrative Code, FAC Rule 27 E-5*. An EAR consists of two steps. The first step involves the preparation and adoption of the EAR itself while the second step involves

the preparation of amendments, if applicable, to the strategic regional plan. Such amendments are required by the guidelines specified in the aforementioned *FAC, Rule 27 E-5*, to occur within one year of the EAR due date.

The NCFRPC strategic regional policy plan contains five subject areas of concern which are affordable housing, economic development, emergency preparedness, natural resources of regional significance, and regional transportation. In addition, a list of significant resources and facilities, the appendix, an executive summary, and an introduction to a coordination outline are included. Each of these items was reviewed by the committee and council in 2015.

The plan also contains lists and maps of regionally significant resources and facilities, a coordination outline, an appendix containing the council's dispute resolution rule, a glossary of terms, maps of natural resources of significance, and descriptions of the listed species' habitats. Each of these items was also reviewed by the committee and council in 2015.

The committee completed its initial work in September 2015 and presented conclusions at the October 2015 council meeting. It was emphasized the report would not amend the regional plan at that time, rather it provided a basis for developing future regional plan amendments which occurred during 2016 with final approval expected in January 2017. In addition, since Levy and Marion Counties are now included in NCFRPC's area of responsibility, it was determined regionally significant facilities and resources, which are located in these two counties and identified in the former Withlacoochee Strategic Regional Policy Plan, would now be included as regionally significant facilities and resources of NCFRPC. **NOTE: A minimum of three public hearings will be conducted at different locations in the thirteen counties, with one being conducted in Marion County, once the plan is drafted in 2016.**

A review was completed between January and August (2016) of the proposed amendments for the five subject areas of concern as well as the lists and maps of regionally significant resources and facilities, a coordination outline, an appendix containing the council's dispute resolution rule, a glossary of terms, maps of natural resources of significance, and descriptions of the listed species' habitats. As previously indicated, at the September 22, 2016, meeting of the committee, a draft copy of the "Evaluation and Appraisal Report-based Draft Amendments" to the North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan was reviewed. This document will be further reviewed and "tweaked" over the next several months and is scheduled to be approved by the council in January 2017.

The Executive Office of the Governor has 60 days from the receipt of the proposed amendments to review them for consistency with State Comprehensive Plan, *Florida Statute, Chapter 186*, and *Florida Administrative Code, Rule 27E-5*. Review comments will be solicited from any federal, state, regional, or local agency with responsibility in the subject areas addressed in the regional plan and be coordinated with all state agency responses to the proposed amendments.

Within 30 days of receipt of the proposed amendments by the Executive Office of the Governor, state and regional agencies will review the proposed plan amendments and submit comments and recommendations to the governor's office. Similarly, local governments have 30 days to provide comments to the governor's office for consideration in the state review of the proposed amendments.

The Executive Office of the Governor shall consider the comments and recommendations of state agencies, regional agencies, and local governments in its review. The governor's office must transmit its findings and recommendations, if any, to NCFRPC within 60 days of its receipt of the proposed amendments. In addition to submitting comments to the Executive Office of the Governor, local governments have 60 days from receipt of the amendments to provide comments directly to NCFRPC.

Within 90 days of receipt of the report from the Executive Office of the Governor, NCFRPC may amend the plan to reflect any changes recommended by the governor's office, the public at large, or local governments then notice and conduct rulemaking to adopt the amendments pursuant to *Florida Statute, Section 120.54*.

**Vice Mayor Wilford Note:** The members serving on the Regional Planning Committee representing Alachua County in PY 16/17 are Commissioner Helen Warren (Gainesville - Vice Chair) and Commissioner Charles Chestnut, IV (Alachua County Board of County Commissioners). Steven Dopp, NCFRPC Senior Planner for Regional Planning, remains as staff liaison to the committee.

#### **Finance (Scott Koons)**

A motion was approved amending the FY 15/16 budget. The council considers a fiscal year amendment annually based on a number of factors. Significant changes to the FY 15/16 budget reflecting a net increase of **\$105,300 (5.6 %)** by major program area follows.

- **Program Development.** The net decrease in revenues for this area is **\$13,000** as a result of a decrease in member dues of **\$21,700** allocated to this program and an increase in other revenue of **\$8,700**.
- **Regional Planning.** The decrease in revenues in this area is **\$12,000** as a result of a decrease in member dues allocated to this program.
- **Public Safety and Regulatory Compliance.** The net increase in revenues in this area is **\$110,000** as a result of an increase of **\$2,700** in hazardous waste monitoring, an increase of **\$15,900** in local emergency planning committee activities, an increase of **\$4,200** in hazard analyses, and a decrease of **\$5,100** in local mitigation strategies. In addition, the following new projects were added to this program resulting in an increase of **\$43,300** in pipeline safety, an increase of **\$28,000** in statewide regional evacuation studies, an increase of **\$16,000** in homeland security, and an increase of **\$5,000** in coastal flooding training.
- **Transportation.** The net increase in revenues in this area is **\$75,000** due to an increase of **\$78,100** in transportation planning funds from the Gainesville Urbanized Area MTPO, a decrease of **\$1,100** in mass transit planning funds from the Gainesville Urbanized Area MTPO, and a decrease of **\$2,000** in transportation disadvantaged funds.
- **Economic Development.** The net decrease in revenues in this area is **\$57,600** due to a decrease of **\$60,000** in comprehensive economic development strategy and technical assistance, a decrease of **\$27,600** in original Florida tourism task force staffing, and an increase of **\$30,000** due to an increase in original Florida tourism task force activities.
- **Local Government Assistance.** The net increase in revenues in this area is **\$2,900** due to a decrease of **\$5,000** in general technical assistance, an increase of **\$52,900** in county and city planning services, and a decrease of **\$45,000** in Community Development Block Grant administration.

#### **Ex-Officio Member Reports**

##### **Jamie Driggers, Program Management Engineer, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT - District 2)**

**Mr. Driggers** distributed a handout regarding FDOT's District 2 and Florida's Turnpike Enterprise process. A public workshop will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., at the FDOT District Office in Lake City. No presentation will be made; however, staff will be available to answer questions of concern from residents of Alachua, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Suwannee, Taylor, and Union Counties. Citizens unable to attend this workshop are encouraged to visit FDOT's website at [www.d2wpgh.com](http://www.d2wpgh.com) to obtain information and submit comments. Comments will be received by the department via website or by mail until November 30, 2016. Comments should be addressed to: Mr. Greg Evers, FDOT District 2 Secretary, 1109 South Marion Avenue, Mail Station 2000, Lake City, FL 32025-5874.

**Carlos Herd, Water Supply Division Director, Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD)**

**Mr. Herd** indicated a “Stakeholder Advisory Committee” meeting will held on Wednesday, November 2, 2016, in Alachua.

**Susan Davis, Intergovernmental Coordinator, Saint Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD)**

**No** report. Ms. Davis was not in attendance.

**Russell Simpson, Planning and Environmental Manager, Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP)**

**No** report. Mr. Simpson was not in attendance.

**Citizens Comments**

**One** citizen, who had also attended the Executive Committee meeting prior to the council meeting, voiced concerns about several items on the consent agenda. An explanation was provided by Mr. Koons and the council’s attorney regarding the manner in which consent agenda items are included as part of the regular agenda. Mr. Koons also indicated this citizen chose not to have his concerns/questions addressed at the Executive Committee meeting after the committee chose not to remove two consent agenda items he requested and include them as items on the regular agenda.

**Executive Director Reports (Scott Koons)**

**Florida Regional Councils Association (FRCA) Monthly Activity Report for September 2016**

**The** FRCA is the statewide organization of the ten regional planning councils. The association strengthens Florida’s regional planning councils, partners with government and the business community to enhance regional economic prosperity, and improves the consistency and quality of regional planning councils to ensure they add value to state, regional, and local initiatives. Denise Imbler, FRCA Coordinator, provided a written report highlighting the association’s September activities. Items of significance included.

- A funding announcement was distributed to association members from the Gulf of Mexico Alliance for Community Small Grants.
- The FRCA website was updated to address regular maintenance issues and meeting agendas, summaries, and monthly newsletters were posted.
- The development of the 2016 FRCA annual report was begun.
- The review of FRCA’s “Operations and Procedures Manual” and new member orientation package is continuing.

**Florida Chamber Foundation Scorecard**

**Mr. Koons** reminded council members the Florida Chamber Foundation developed the Florida Scorecard to provide state leaders with the metrics needed to secure Florida’s future. In performing this task, the Florida Chamber’s primary objective is to develop a 20-year statewide strategic plan which requires a commitment to measuring the state’s current status toward accomplishing the stated goals of the “Six Pillars” which were established to measure trends and progress. The “Six Pillars” incorporate the strategic thinking of a diverse range of stakeholders including the Century Commission for a Sustainable Future, Florida Council of 100, Enterprise Florida, Florida State University, Workforce Florida, 1000 Friends of Florida, and others. The “Six Pillars” are:

- Talent Supply and Education.
- Innovation and Economic Development.
- Infrastructure and Growth Leadership.
- Business Climate and Competitiveness.
- Civic and Government Systems.
- Quality of Life and Places.

Mr. Koons reviewed the latest “State of Florida Metrics” report. Interesting facts include:

- Unemployment Rate - 4.7% (Unchanged).
- Consumer Sentiment - 90.9% (Improving).
- State of Florida Visitors - 106 million (\$89.1 billion in visitor spending).
- Housing Starts - 7,403 (Improving).
- Housing Sales - 25,070 (Improving).
- Sales Tax Revenue - \$2.178 billion per month (**Declining**).
- Income Migration - \$805 thousand per hour.
- Poverty Rate - 16.6% (Improving).
- High School Graduation Rate - 77.8% (Improving).
- Voter Participation - 51% (**Declining**).
- State Heading in the Right/Wrong Direction - 40% (Right) and 41% (Wrong).
- Land in Conservation - 28%.
- Population - 20.27 million.

#### **Interstate 75 Relief Task Force Recommendation**

**Mr. Koons** reminded council members that FDOT Secretary, Boxold, appointed the I-75 Relief Task Force in 2015. The purpose of this task force was to provide consensus on maximizing existing transportation corridors and developing new high-tech corridors to serve the Tampa Bay-Northeast Florida study area with initial emphasis on the region west of I-75 including Alachua, Citrus, Hernando, Levy, Marion, and Sumter Counties. North Central Florida Representatives on the 21-member task force were: Jane Adams (Vice President for University Relations, University of Florida), Charles Chestnut, IV (Alachua County Board of County Commissioners), Scott Koons (NCFRPC Executive Director), Stan McClain (Marion County Board of County Commissioners), John Meeks (Levy County Board of County Commissioners), Kevin Sheilly, President and Chief Executive Officer, Ocala/Marion County Chamber and Economic Partnership), and Matt Surrency (Mayor, City of Hawthorne).

The task force recently completed its work and subsequently issued its *I-75 Relief Task Force Recommendations Report* on October 1, 2016. A copy of this report can be viewed on “I-75 Relief” website. The framework for enhanced and new high-speed, high-capacity transportation focused on three elements.

- Immediate optimization of existing transportation corridors.
- Evaluation of potential enhancements to, or transformation of, existing transportation corridors.
- Evaluation of potential areas of opportunity for new multimodal, multiuse corridors after the evaluation of enhancements to I-75 and other I-75 connector roads and then determine any projected/perceived needs.

The recommendations contained in the report were responsive to concerns/issues discussed at a recent NCFRPC monthly meeting to include:

- Consistency with the North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan.

- Need to provide stated financial support to assist local governments in improving regional and local roads parallel to I-75 in order to provide alterations for regional trips.
- Focus first on enhancements to existing transportation corridors before considering potential new transportation corridors.

#### **Next Meeting**

*The* next meeting of the council will be held on December 8, 2016, at the Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites in Lake City beginning at 7:30 p.m. and preceded by a meeting of the Executive Committee at 6:00 p.m., Clearinghouse Committee at 6:00 p.m., and Regional Planning Committee at 6:30 p.m.

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### **NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA AREAWIDE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY (ADCO), INC.**

#### **ANNUAL MEETING NOTES (UNOFFICIAL)**

**OCTOBER 27, 2016**

#### **Approval of Minutes**

*The* minutes for the October 22, 2015, annual meeting were approved.

#### **Approval of the Annual Report**

*The* annual report for 2016 was approved. Highlights include:

- ADCO does not own any real or personal property.
- ADCO did not acquire any property during the past year.
- ADCO did not acquire, appropriate, or expend any funds during the past year.

#### **Election of Board of Directors**

*Twenty-five* individuals were elected to serve on the Board of Directors for the upcoming year.

A discussion ensued regarding the purpose of ADCO and the reason(s) it is still in existence since no property has been bought by the company over the past several years. Mr. Koons explained that ADCO is a registered corporation in the State of Florida, and has been for over twenty years, and, as such, is allowed to purchase property and write loans in the council's service area and did so in the past. The cost to maintain corporate status is less than \$100 per year. It was agreed that keeping this corporation in existence was sound policy just in case the company decided to purchase property and make loans in the future.

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#### **NCFRPC Mission Statement**

*To improve the quality of life of the region's citizens by coordinating growth management, protecting regional resources, promoting economic development, and providing technical services to local governments.*

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Steven Dopp, Senior Planner, Regional Planning (Extension 109)  
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Michael Escalante, AICP, Senior Planner, Transportation Planning (Extension 114)  
Sandra Joseph, Senior Planner, Local Government Comprehensive Planning (Extension 111)  
Lauren Yeatter, AICP, Senior Planner, Geographic Information Systems (Extension 113)

Carmelita Franco, Planning Administrative Assistant, Local Government Comprehensive Planning (Extension 125)  
Jean Strong, Executive Assistant to the Executive Director (Extension 134)  
Tara Tucker, Secretary II (Extension 100)

**Alachua County Representation on NCFRPC**

Harvey Budd, Commissioner, City of Gainesville  
Charles Chestnut, IV, Commissioner, Alachua County Board of County Commissioners  
Rick Coleman, Commissioner, City of Newberry  
Ken Cornell, Commissioner, Chair, Alachua County Board of County Commissioners  
Louie Davis, Mayor, City of Waldo  
Jason Evans, Commissioner, City of High Springs  
Adrian Hayes-Santos, Commissioner, City of Gainesville  
Fletcher Hope, Commissioner, City of Archer  
Lee Pinkoson, Commissioner, Alachua County Board of County Commissioners  
DeLoris Roberts, Commissioner, City of Hawthorne  
Scott Thomason, Non-voting Delegate, City of High Springs  
Helen Warren, Mayor Commissioner Pro Tem, City of Gainesville  
Robert Wilford, Vice Mayor, City of Alachua

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**Florida Regional Councils Association (FRCA) Mission Statement**

*Fosters regional strategies, solutions, and partnerships to support economic growth and improve quality of life; promotes a standard of excellence in the delivery of regional planning council programs and technical professional assistance and expertise; and, advocates for the role of regional planning councils as the state's primary organizations to address problems that are of greater-than-local concern.*

**There** are ten (10) regional planning councils in Florida which serve the state's sixty-seven (67) counties. They are:

<u>Council</u>	<u>Number of Counties Served</u>	<u>Headquarters</u>
West Florida Regional Planning Council (WFRPC)	7	Pensacola
Apalachee Regional Planning Council (ARPC)	9	Tallahassee
North Central Florida Regional Planning Council (NCFRPC)	13	Gainesville
Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council (NEFRPC)	7	Jacksonville
East Central Florida Regional Planning Council (ECFRPC)	7	Altamonte Springs
Central Florida Regional Planning Council (CFRPC)	5	Bartow
Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (TBRPC)	6	Pinellas Park
Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council (SWFRPC)	6	Fort Myers
Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council (TCRPC)	4	Stuart
South Florida Regional Planning Council (SFRPC)	3	Hollywood

**Membership** on regional planning councils consists of one-third of the total representatives being gubernatorial appointees with the remainder being member local government appointees. Two-thirds of council representatives must be locally-elected officials. Regional councils provide a large variety of services to benefit its local governments in addition to coordinating regional planning and review activities. Services include: technical planning assistance, grant and loan planning assistance, transportation planning assistance, hazardous waste monitoring, emergency response planning assistance, and economic development activities.

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**VICE MAYOR WILFORD NOTE:** In addition to serving as the Alachua City Commission Delegate to NCFRPC and being a former member of the council's Regional Planning and Finance Committees, I perform the following functions associated with membership on the council:

- **Member, Executive Committee (Mayor Louie Davis {Waldo} and I are two of the five members serving on this committee. This is a distinct honor for Alachua County since there are thirteen counties in the council's district. Mayor Davis is serving as the committee's Secretary-Treasurer.)**
- **Member, Audit Committee (Commissioner Todd Chase {Gainesville}, Mayor Louie Davis {Waldo}, and I are three of the six members serving on this committee--another distinct honor for Alachua County.)**
- **Member, Board of Directors.**
- **Member, Board of Directors, North Central Florida Areawide Development Company (ADCO), Inc.**

