



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING**

#24-0254

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

DATE: March 19, 2024

TITLE: Public Hearing – Ordinance Amending the City’s Comprehensive Plan
Future Land Use Map Establishing the Uptown Urban Village Transit
Oriented Development Designation – Case No. UDP-L23005 –
(Commission District 1)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission consider an ordinance amending the City’s Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map establishing the Uptown Urban Village Transit Oriented Development Designation.

Background

On March 5, 2024, the City Commission approved on first reading an amendment to the City’s Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Element Policy FLU 1.1.12 to establish the “Uptown Urban Village Transit Oriented Development” land use designation. The City is proposing to change the future land use designation for the area generally known as the *Uptown Urban Village* area on the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map to the new Uptown Urban Village Transit Oriented Development future land use designation. The area is 353 acres of land comprised of multiple land use designations; Industrial, Employment Center, Office, and Commercial. The proposed map change places the area in a single future land use designation that will accommodate a mix of land uses supported by multi-modal transportation as a Transit Oriented Development (TOD) designation. A Location Map is attached as Exhibit 1. The Sketch and Legal Description is attached as Exhibit 2.

The map amendment was reviewed by the Development Review Committee (DRC) on September 12, 2023, and on December 20, 2023, the PZB, acting as the Local Planning Agency, recommended approval (8-0) for the City Commission to transmit the proposed map amendment. The December 20, 2023, PZB Staff Report and December 20, 2023, Meeting Minutes are attached as Exhibit 3 and Exhibit 4, respectively.

The map amendment will be transmitted to Broward County and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity as well as all the required state agencies including Florida Department of Transportation, the South Florida Water Management District, and the

South Florida Regional Planning Council. After the City receives comments from the state agencies, any applicable revisions can be made, and the corresponding text amendment is approved, then the City Commission may proceed to adopt the ordinance on second reading to amend the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map. Amendments to the City's Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map must be recertified by the Broward County Planning Council before the amendment takes effect.

The ordinance containing the proposed text amendment is attached as Exhibit 5.

Business Impact Estimate

This ordinance will be enacted to implement Part II of chapter 163, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation and is therefore not subject to the requirements of Section 166.041(4), Florida Statutes.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure and Resilience Focus Area, Goal 4: Facilitate an efficient, multimodal transportation network

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035* Vision Plan: We are Community

This item supports the *Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan* specifically advancing:

- The Neighborhood Enhancement Focus Area
- The Future Land Use Element
- Goal 2: The City shall encourage sustainable, smart growth which designates areas for future growth, promotes connectivity, social equity, preservation of neighborhood character and compatible uses.
- The Urban Design Element
- Goal 1: Promote high-quality and sustainable building design elements which complement the public realm.

Related CAMs

CAM #24-0080

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Location Map

Exhibit 2 – Sketch and Legal Description

Exhibit 3 – December 20, 2023, PZB Staff Report

Exhibit 4 – December 20, 2023, PZB Meeting Minutes

Exhibit 5 – Ordinance

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