The Strategic Regional Policy Plan, Regional Planning and Urban Design: Components for Building a Healthy Region

A Series Dedicated to the Education and Dialog on Regional Planning in the Treasure Coast Region

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An Overview

- Top 10 Ten Things You Should Know About the SRPP
- Its Importance and Relevance to the Council
- Origins of the SRPP
- Rationale Behind the SRPP
- Four Fundamental Growth Management Principles of the SRPP
Because the Region is Expected to Continue Growing Over the Life of the Plan…

- Public spaces, parks and plazas
- A variety of quality housing opportunities
- Transportation and mobility
- Civic and cultural institutions
- Convenient shopping and entertainment
- Public safety and low crimes rates
- Attractiveness for investment/economic development
- Public health and a healthy Countryside

“The SRPP’s Principle Focus is on Influencing the Form and Location of Growth

“Good urban form and livability is an economic imperative”

Robert Solow
Nobel prize-winning economist
How and Where We Build Matters

Sustainable Forms vs. Sprawl Forms

- 30% less energy used
- 2 to 4 times better water quality
- 25% to 50% less time in our cars
- 30% to 40% less land used
- Public transportation is an option
- 10% to 12% extra income not spent on cars
- Kids might have a shot at walking to school

- Sustainable products out perform comparable sprawl products on sales price and absorption
- Road building will no longer take priority over the arts, culture, care of the elderly, water quality and education of your children
- Reduced regional fiscal impacts of $606 million through 2025
- Reduced regional capital costs of $4.19 billion through 2025
Trends in Regional Planning

Lost in Translation....

MSCW Chip Game – MyRegion.org
What Happens Under the “Chips” and the Legos Should Not Be Left To Chance
This Trend Has Trickled Down to the Local Level

Really Lost in Translation....
Come Visit our Beautiful Downtown

Yeah well...at least we have a nice beach
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Why Just Counting Isn’t Enough
You Can Count On It!!
Eight Physical Elements Found in All “High Quality of Life” Communities

- Parking Placement
- Parking Quantity
- Building Placement
- Building Height
- Mixing of Uses
- Street Dimensions
- Building Fronts and Backs
- Parks, Plazas and Open Spaces
Regionalism: One Neighborhood, Town, City and Village At A Time
The Plan recognizes the “vision” can never be implemented or built overnight. It will take patient piecemeal growth, so every planning decision sanctioned by local government is always helping to create or generate preferred patterns and forms of development on a small and large scale. The end result... a more sustainable future for the Treasure Coast Region.

Excerpt from SRPP for the Treasure Coast Region 1995
The Strategic Regional Policy Plan and Planning for the Treasure Coast: The Region, Corridor, District and Neighborhood

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