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GOAL IGC 1

The County shall ensure the effectiveness and efficiency of all governmental services and programs by fostering intergovernmental coordination between the county; its municipalities; Lake-Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization (LSMPO); adjacent governments; utilities and quasi-public agencies; and regional, state and federal governments.

**OBJECTIVE IGC 1.1: COORDINATION OF THE LAKE COUNTY
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN WITH ADJACENT
LOCALITIES**

Lake County shall coordinate its programs and Comprehensive Plan with the programs and plans of municipalities, agencies and adjacent counties to ensure effective and efficient delivery of public services.

Policy IGC 1.1-1 Joint Planning Committees

The County shall form and utilize joint City/County planning committees, to ensure consistency between comprehensive plan programs and issues.

Policy IGC 1.1-2 Multiparty Development Agreements

The County shall seek multiparty agreements (e.g., City/County/developer triparty agreements) as a means to expedite facility improvements and reduce public costs.

Policy IGC 1.1-3 Coordinated Concurrency Management Systems

The County shall coordinate with the Cities when applicable in the implementation of their concurrency management system for compatible adopted levels of service.

Policy IGC 1.1-4 Policy Coordination

The County will form a local council to provide a policymaker forum to coordinate growth plans and programs and to resolve interlocal disputes.

**Policy IGC 1.1-5 Advance Notification of Land Use Requests and Changes in
Land Use Regulations**

The County shall continue to transmit advance notification of requests for land use, zoning

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and development approval and changes in land use regulations to municipalities that may be affected as required through interlocal agreements with the Cities and the School Board of Lake County.

Policy IGC 1.1-6 Interlocal Agreements for Land Use

The County shall develop new, update or maintain existing interlocal agreements or Joint Planning Agreements with the Cities for future annexations which include procedures and criteria to implement, at a minimum, the following: compatibility between adjacent future land use designations, consistency between land development regulations, future annexation area, and/or utility service areas and land use compatibility in the designated Rural Area.

Policy IGC.1.1-7 Incorporated Policies

The following policies from other elements are hereby incorporated into this Element by this reference thereto as if fully set forth herein verbatim:

Transportation Element

Potable Water Element

Sanitary Sewer Element

Solid Waste Element

Future Land Use Element

Conservation Element

Storm water Element

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Policy IGC 1.1-8 Coordinated Efforts to Protect Established Residential Areas
The County will work diligently with the municipalities for the protection of established residential uses, through formal and informal agreements. Emphasis will be placed on protecting homes from adverse impacts caused by incompatible land uses, cut through traffic, provide transitional uses where needed on border parcels and provide adequate separation of homes from land uses that are sensitive in nature.

**OBJECTIVE IGC 1.2: COORDINATION OF THE LAKE COUNTY
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN WITH THE LAKE COUNTY
SCHOOL BOARD**

Lake County shall coordinate its programs and Comprehensive Plan with the programs and plans of the Lake County School Board.

Policy IGC 1.2-1 Use of School Data for Planning County Infrastructure
The County shall continue to include school enrollment data in transportation planning and capital programs. The County shall exchange data with the School Board for use in the respective capital planning programs.

Policy IGC 1.2-2 Coordinate School Plans
The County shall coordinate with the Lake County School Board to discuss development plans for expansion of existing or new education facilities within the unincorporated County to assure such activities are consistent with growth management and development plans established within the Lake County Comprehensive Plan. Also, coordinate and address any issues concerning impacts of such facilities on adopted levels of service established for roads, water, drainage, and solid waste services.

Policy IGC 1.2-3 Avoid Duplication of Services
The County shall coordinate with the Lake County School Board and the municipalities to integrate recreation facilities on school property into the recreation system for Lake County to avoid duplication of services. In addition, school facilities shall continue to be available for public meetings and other public uses when demand warrants the use.

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- Policy IGC 1.2-4 Improving School Board/County Staff Coordination**
The County shall continue to coordinate with the School Board to facilitate participation in the County Comprehensive Plan review process and the school planning process.
- Policy IGC 1.2-5 School Board Representation on Various County Boards**
The County shall continue providing a position for a School Board representative on its Development Review Staff meetings and the Local Planning Agency.
- Policy IGC 1.2-6 Policy Coordination Between School and County Boards**
The County shall ensure effective coordination of the policies and programs of the School Board and Board of County Commissioners.

**OBJECTIVE IGC 1.3: COORDINATION OF THE LAKE COUNTY
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN WITH REGIONAL,
STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES**

Lake County shall coordinate its Comprehensive Plan with the plans and programs of regional, State and Federal agencies in order to more effectively and efficiently address cross jurisdictional issues.

- Policy IGC 1.3-1 Compliance of State Development with Local Regulations**
The County shall continue to review all State and other government development activities for consistency with the Comprehensive Plan and land development regulations. Such development will be considered subject to local regulation unless found to be statutorily exempt, in which case the County shall rely on other coordination mechanisms, including, but not limited to, informal negotiation, to ensure the compatibility of the development with County land development regulations.
- Policy IGC 1.3-2 Plan Coordination**
Lake County shall coordinate its comprehensive planning activities with the plans and programs of regional, State and Federal agencies by, at minimum, continuing to coordinate with the following agencies: East Central Florida Regional Planning Council; St. Johns River Water Management District; Southwest Florida Water Management District; Lake-Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization (LSMPO); the Florida Departments of Environmental Protection, Transportation, and Community Affairs; the Florida Public Service Commission, the Florida Highway Patrol; and the Federal Agencies of Housing and Urban

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Development, Federal Transit Administration, Federal Environmental Protection Agency, Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Army Corps of Engineers. The County shall also seek legislative action by the Florida Legislature

when the needs of the County so require. The County shall continue to work on issues with the Florida Association of Counties and shall consider working with the Florida League of Cities.

Policy IGC 1.3-3 Coordination During Major Regional Transportation Construction Projects

The County will coordinate with the LSMPO, Florida Department of Transportation, and other jurisdictions and agencies to prepare in advance for the maintenance of traffic during construction of major regional transportation projects.

OBJECTIVE IGC 1.4: IMPACT OF THE LAKE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ON OTHER JURISDICTIONS

To ensure that the impacts resulting from the implementation of the lake County Comprehensive Plan upon development in municipalities, adjacent counties, regions and the State are addressed through the effective use of the following intergovernmental coordination mechanisms.

Policy IGC 1.4-1 Incorporated Policies

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Public Safety Element

Housing Element

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**OBJECTIVE IGC 1.5: COORDINATION OF LEVEL OF SERVICE
STANDARDS**

The County shall coordinate with responsible local, regional, LSMPO and State authorities, School Board and private utility companies, as appropriate, in the establishment of level of service standards for public facilities. Upon adoption of the County and adjacent governments' comprehensive plans, the County shall initiate further coordination efforts, if necessary, to ensure consistency with adopted level of service standards.

Policy IGC 1.5-1 Incorporated Policies

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OBJECTIVE IGC 1.6: EXCHANGE OF SUPPORT AND DATA

The County shall increase the effectiveness and efficiency of public programs and to minimize costs by providing, seeking and sharing information.

Policy IGC 1.6-1 Internet Services

Lake County will continue to provide information on its internet Webpage. This information includes the agendas and minutes of the meetings of the Board of County Commissioner and many of its supporting citizen and staff committees, information on the County

Departments, important county documents and progress statements on major work efforts, such as road construction projects.

Policy IGC 1.6-2 Sharing of Geographical Information Systems (GIS) Data

The County will continue to provide access to its GIS system via the internet webpage.

Policy IGC 1.6-3 Review of County Plans

The County shall coordinate the transmission of copies of the County's proposed Plan updates, land development regulations, other design standards and Capital Improvements Programs for City, the School Board and adjacent county review and comment prior to Board action.

Policy IGC 1.6-4 Operation of Lake Government Television

The County will continue to operate the Lake Government Television (LGTV) cable television station and provide a forum for the governments in Lake County to broadcast local government and educational programming, news, announcements and job listings.

Policy ICG 1.6-5 Sharing of Resources

The County will continue to provide land use data and socio-economic data to the Cities, the School Board and other levels of government and agencies.

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Policy IGC 1.6-6

Incorporated Policies

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OBJECTIVE IGC 1.7: CONFLICT RESOLUTION

The County shall endeavor to prevent and resolve conflicts and inconsistencies with other governments and agencies, through the use of the following: formal and informal mediation and conflict resolution techniques.

Policy IGC 1.7-1

Regional Planning Council Conflict Resolution

In cases where the County is unable to resolve intergovernmental conflicts through informal means or existing coordination mechanisms, the County shall, The Interlocal Agreement provides a three step process for mediation to use when informal negotiations have failed. If needed, the County shall adhere to the provisions of Chapter 164, Florida Statutes (the "Florida Governmental Cooperation Act:). The East Central Regional Planning Council (ECFRPC) mediation process shall be considered, in particular, when the issue involved is of regional significance and the ECFRPC would have particular and

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significant expertise which would be of a unique value in terms of resolving the issue in dispute; and, when the dispute involves the

location of a community residential home under Section 419.001(5), Florida Statutes, or its successor provision.

OBJECTIVE IGC 1.8: JOINT PLANNING AREA AGREEMENTS

Lake County shall establish Joint Planning Area Agreements and utilize the informal mediation process of the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council to implement the goals, objectives and policies of the Comprehensive Plan.

Policy IGC 1.8-1 Future Land Use Coordination

Lake County will coordinate with each municipality to ensure Future Land Use compatibility within their respective joint planning area boundaries.