Item Name: Westgate Community Redevelopment Area-Overlay (LGA 2005-00021-24)

Request: INST/IND to CH/8; HR-8 and CH to CH/8; HR-8 to CL/8; IND to CH/IND

Item Before the Board:

To hold a public hearing on a proposed **County Initiated** amendment to the Future Land Use Atlas (FLUA) to change the future land use designation for four (4) areas totaling 270.49 acres from:

- Institutional, with underlying Industrial (INST/IND) to Commercial High, with an underlying 8 units per acre (CH/8) for an area located on FLUA map 57, totaling 13 acres, and located in the SW quadrant of Westgate Avenue and Country Club Road, immediately west of Country Club Road:
- 2) High Residential, 8 dwelling units per acre (HR-8) and Commercial High (CH) to Commercial High, with an underlying 8 dwelling units per acre (CH/8) for an area located on FLUA map 57 and FLUA map 58, totaling 92.06 acres, and located in the SW quadrant of Okeechobee Boulevard and Congress Avenue, south of Okeechobee Boulevard extending west from Congress Avenue to Country Club Road;
- 3) High Residential, 8 dwelling units per acre (HR-8), to Commercial Low, with an underlying 8 units per acre (CL/8) for an area located on FLUA map 58, totaling 110.43 acres, and located in the SW quadrant of Nokomis Avenue and Congress Avenue; and
- 4) Industrial (IND) to Commercial High, with underlying Industrial (CH/IND) for an area located on FLUA map 58, totaling 55 acres, and located on the SW quadrant of Old Okeechobee Boulevard and Florida Mango Road.

Meeting Date: Final Report, August 22, 2005

Project Manager: Audley G. Reid, Planner I

MOTION: To **adopt** the proposed amendment, subject to 2 conditions.

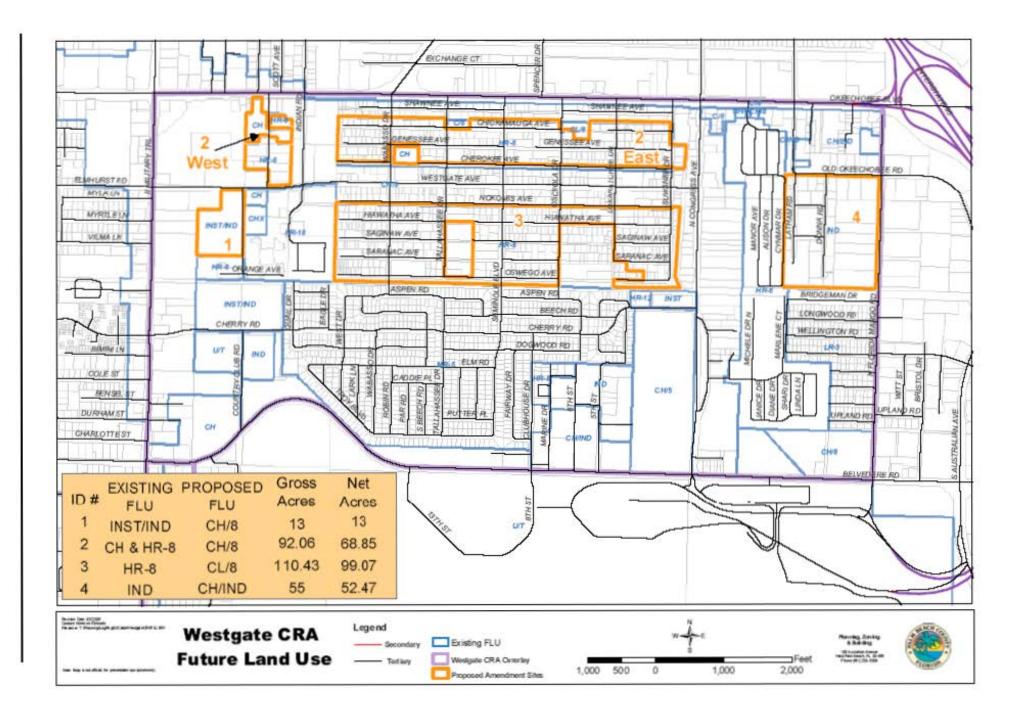
- **A.** Planning Recommendation: Staff recommends approval based on the findings and conclusions presented in this report, subject to the following 2 conditions:
 - 1. For each project in Area 1 (LGA 2005-00021), non-residential uses shall be limited to a maximum 0.86 F.A.R.
 - 2. For each project in Area 4 (LGA 2005-00024), non-residential uses shall be limited to a maximum 0.92 F.A.R.

- **B.** LPA Recommendation: Motion to recommend *approval, subject to conditions,* passed in a unanimous vote (11-0) at March 18, 2005 Public Hearing. There was minimal Board discussion and no public comment on this item.
- C. BCC Transmittal Action: Motion by Comm. Koons, seconded by Comm. Aaronson, to transmit passed in a unanimous vote (6-0, with Comm. Greene absent) at the April 6, 2005 Public Hearing. There was minimal Board discussion. The President of the Westgate/Golfview Heights Neighborhood Association (WGHNA) spoke against the proposed amendment.

POST TRANSMITTAL ACTION

- A. ORC Report Findings: None
- B. Response to ORC Report: None
- C. Revisions Not Previously Reviewed: None
- D. BCC Adoption Action: Motion by Comm. Koons, seconded by Comm. McCarty, to adopt an ordinance passed in a unanimous 7-0 vote at the August 22, 2005 Public Hearing. There was minimal Board discussion on this item. The Executive Director of the CRA for Westgate spoke in support of the amendment and one member of the public spoke in opposition stating that the densities and intensities were too high.

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PETITION SUMMARY

Owner...... Multiple Owners

Applicant...... Palm Beach County

Parcels' Location...... Four areas located within the Westgate Community

Redevelopment Area Overlay.

Parcel Control Numbers..... See Exhibit 1

Existing Land Use......Residential, Industrial, Institutional, Office

Current FLU Designations...... Institutional, with underlying Industrial (INST/IND); High

Residential, 8 units per acre (HR-8); Industrial (IND);

Commercial High (CH)

Current Zoning District......General Commercial (CG); Light Industrial (IL); Multi-

Family Residential-High Density (RH); Public Ownership (PO); Multi-Family Residential-Medium Density (RM);

Multiple Use Planned Development (MUPD)

Proposed FLU Designation............ Commercial High, with an underlying 8 units per acre

(CH/8); Commercial Low, with an underlying 8 units per acre (CL/8); Commercial High, with underlying Industrial

(CH/IND)

Proposed Development Potential...... Commercial or Residential or Industrial

Water/Sewer Service...... Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department

Annexation Area...... City of West Palm Beach

Overlay/Neighborhood Plan...... Westgate Community Redevelopment Area Overlay

Commission District......Commissioner Koons, District 2

SUMMARY REPORT

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A. BACKGROUND

The Westgate Community Redevelopment Area Overlay (WCRAO) amendment involves 4 separate areas, which total approximately 270.49 acres combined. Each area is a collection of individually owned parcels belonging to multiple owners that for elucidatory purposes have been grouped together. All 4 areas are located within the boundaries of the Westgate/Belvedere Homes Community Redevelopment Area Overlay (WCRAO), which is bounded by Okeechobee Boulevard to the north, Belvedere Road to the south, Florida Mango Road to the east, and by Military Trail to the west.

Area 1 is 13 acres in total size and consists of 33 separate parcels. It is located North of Orange Avenue, South of Westgate Avenue, East of Military Trail, and west of Country Club Road. The site north of Area 1 has a land use designation of Commercial High, with an underlying 8 units per acre (CH/8). The site to the south of Area 1 is designated High Residential 8 units per acre (HR-8) and was the subject of a previous land use amendment; Ordinance 92-31. The site is 5.20 acres in size and was changed through a County initiated amendment from Industrial (IND) to High Residential 8 units per acre (HR-8). Land use designations for sites east of Area 1 include Commercial High (CH) and High Residential 18 units per acres (HR-18).

Two sites immediately to the East of Area 1 were also the subject of a previous land use amendment. The first is a 1.41 acre site (SCA ORD. 04-48) originally designated as Commercial High with Cross-Hatching (CH) that was subsequently changed to Commercial High (CH) without cross-hatching. The second amendment involved a 3.07 acre site located immediately to the south of the site just described. The site was part of an amendment (P-77-133 (G)) that changed the land use designation of several parcels of land from Commercial (C) to Commercial High (CH).

Area 2 East and West is 92.06 acres in total size and consists of 572 separate parcels. It is bounded by Shawnee Avenue to the north, Cherokee Avenue and Westgate Avenue to the south, Congress Avenue to the east, and Military Trail to the west. Regarding Area 2 East, the sites to the north, south, east, and west are designated Commercial High, with an underlying 8 units per acre (CH/8). Regarding Area 2 West, the sites to the north, east, and west are designated Commercial High, with an underlying 8 units per acre (CH/8). The site to the south is designated Commercial High (CH).

Furthermore, regarding Area 2 West, there are 9 adjacent sites that have been or currently are the subject of a land use amendment described as follows: The 2 sites to the immediate west of Area 2 West have a CH/8 designation and were the subject of previous land use amendments. These sites, totaling approximately 38.6 acres, were originally designated as Commercial, with an underlying 8 units per acre (C/8). They were subsequently changed through County initiated amendments ((Petition 77-133(G) and Petition 77-133(C)) to Commercial High, with an underlying 8 units per acre (CH/8), in order to better reflect the commercial future land use characters of each area.

The third site, located immediately northeast of Area 2 West, is 3.04 acres in size and was changed through a County initiated amendment (Ordinance 97-43) from High Residential 8 units per acre (HR-8) to Commercial High, with an underlying 8 units per acre (CH/8). The amendment also removed the existing cross-hatching from the property. This site and the site to its immediate east (4th site) was also the subject of a previous amendment (Ordinance 01-

87). This amendment included approximately 435.44 acres and sought to change the designation of various parcels from Commercial, with an underlying 8 units per acre (C/8) to Commercial High, with an underlying 8 units per acre.

The 5th and 6th site were amended in Round 04-2 (LGA 2004-00040). The first, is a 5.62 acre property, located at the northeast corner of Westgate Avenue and Indian Road and the second, is a 2.16 acre property, located at the northwest corner of Westgate Avenue and Indian Road were changed from High Residential, 8 units per acre (HR-8) to Commercial High, with an underlying 8 units per acre (CH/8) in order to reflect their development approvals under their respective zoning petitions. Both properties combined total approximately 7.78 acres.

The 7th and 8th sites adjacent to Area 2 are the subjects of an amendment being processed in the Amendment Round 05-1 (LGA 2005-00018). The two properties, totaling 1.16 acres collectively, are located on the east side of Donnell Road, approximately 200 feet south of Okeechobee Boulevard. The proposed land use change is from High Residential, 8 units per acre (HR-8) to Commercial High, with an underlying 8 units per acre (CH/8). These changes are being proposed in order to better reflect their development approvals according to their zoning designation, which is General Commercial (CG).

The 9th site is being processed in the current Amendment Round 05-1 (LGA 2005-00019) concerns a property that lies outside the boundaries of Area 2 West at the southeast corner of Westgate Avenue and Indian Road. The property is 2.74 acres in size and the proposed land use change is from High Residential, 18 units per acre (HR-18) to Commercial High, with an underlying 18 units per acre (CH/8). Like the previous sites, the change is intended to bring the land use into conformity with the existing zoning designation.

Area 3 is 110.43 acres in total size and consists of 827 separate parcels. It is bounded by Nokomis Avenue to the north, Aspen Road to the south, Congress Avenue to the east, and runs parallel to Quail Drive to the west. To the North and East of Area 3 are sites designated Commercial High, with an underlying 8 units per acre (CH/8). To the south are sites designated Medium Residential 5 units per acres (MR-5) and two smaller parcels on the eastern portion of Area 3 designated High Residential 12 units per acre (HR-12) and Institutional (INST), respectively. Finally, the site to the west is designated High Residential 18 units per acre (HR-18).

Area 4 is 55 acres in total size and consists of 143 separate parcels. It is bounded by Old Okeechobee Boulevard to the north, Bridgeman Road to the south, Florida Mango Road to the east, and Cymar Drive to the west. To the north of Area 4 is land with a Commercial High, with underlying Industrial designation (CH/IND). The land use designation south of Area 4 is Low Residential 3 units per acre (LR-3). To the east lies the City of West Palm Beach and land designated Industrial (IND) and to the west of Area 4 is land designated High Residential 8 units per acre (HR-8).

The 4 subject Amendment areas all lie within the boundaries of the Westgate/Belvedere Homes Community Redevelopment Area Overlay (WCRAO). The WCRAO is formally recognized in the Palm Beach County Comprehensive Plan Land Use Element and the Palm Beach County Unified Land Development Code (ULDC). Under Sub-Objective 1.2.4 of the Comprehensive Plan Land Use Element, the WCRAO was created to encourage development and redevelopment of the Westgate area. The provisions of Sub-Objective 1.2.4 are designed to arrest deterioration of property values, preserve affordable housing, and complement relevant community redevelopment efforts.

The Westgate/Belvedere Homes Community Redevelopment Area is an Overlay (WCRAO) district that is included in the Palm Beach County Comprehensive Plan. The area was established in 1988 by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) as a special district for the

redevelopment of the area. The area is approximately 1,007 acres (1.573 square miles) in size with a population of 8,158. The CRA was created to encourage development and redevelopment of the Westgate/Belvedere Homes area with special land use provisions designed to arrest deterioration of property values and preserve affordable housing in the area.

The Westgate/Belvedere Homes Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) was created in May of 1989 by the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners through the authority of Chapter 163, Part III, of the Florida Statutes. The Westgate CRA serves in a quasi-independent capacity to promote social and economic development in the WCRAO. With the creation of the CRA, the BCC appointed a CRA Board of Commissioners as an advisory board to act as a policy making body. Subsequently, with the assistance of the County and private consultants, the CRA Board commissioned the preparation of a Redevelopment Plan for the district. The resulting document was the 1989 Redevelopment Plan, the original Plan that was adopted by the BCC by Ordinance No. 89-6 on May 9, 1989.

The WCRAO Redevelopment Plan was mainly a physical plan that concentrated on land issues, infrastructure needs, transportation, and the methods of financing improvements to address those needs. The Redevelopment Master Plan provides for future desired land uses, receiving areas for commercial and residential bonus provisions, a comprehensive and realistic infrastructure improvement schedule, and updated economic forecasts. Florida Statutes, Section 163.361(3) provides for the modification of the Redevelopment Plan. Consequently, at a January 2003 workshop, the CRA Board directed its staff to update and amend the original 1989 Redevelopment Plan to include a Master Plan that reflects current conditions and demographics. In April of 2003, the CRA hired Civic Design Associates, an Economic Development and Urban Design Planning firm to prepare a Redevelopment Plan update that amended the 1989 original Plan. In December 2003, Civic Design Associates presented a final amended Redevelopment Plan to the CRA Board that ratified the plan. The amended Redevelopment Plan was presented to the Board of County Commissioners at a workshop on February 17, 2004. A resolution adopting the Community Redevelopment Agency's 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan was heard and approved by the BCC on January 11, 2005 at a public hearing meeting.

The 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan is a visionary plan developed during a public Charrette held in September 11-18, 2003 after numerous meetings with the residents, business owners, CRA staff, and County personnel. The participants shared their perspectives on the immediate needs of the community, as well as their visions for the CRA for the next 10-20 years planning horizon. Through this process, the stakeholders identified a number of pressing needs, which not surprisingly, were similar to the needs and concerns in the original redevelopment plan namely, poor drainage and signs of socio-economic distress in some neighborhoods. The 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan follows smart growth principles and "form-based" zoning that use appealing urban design and mixed-use development to achieve urban revitalization; it promotes pedestrian friendly compact mixed-use developments, and presupposes higher land use intensity and density resulting in a stronger output of housing units than currently allowed. Those additional units will provide needed attainable housing for the County's low-to-moderate income population.

The 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan has several broad goals including a comprehensive solution to the area's storm drainage problems as well as maintaining and improving stable and relatively affordable single-family residential neighborhoods. Many of the programs and plans are conceptual in nature and will need further study. Several elements of the updated plan involve changes to the existing physical development pattern that will require modifications to the land development regulations. More specifically, the updated plan will permit additional development intensity/density in many areas throughout the CRA. New zoning sub-districts are being proposed since none of the existing districts allow for the combination of lot coverage, setbacks, and development intensity sought.

The 2005 Redevelopment Plan calls for land uses that will provide more development opportunities. The CRA will develop incentives to involve the business community in the commercial corridor planning process. While the amended plan is a starting point for initiating action and evaluating progress, it is clear that the plan and programs contained therein will take time and additional funding to develop. Additionally, implementation of the plan will depend on a partnership of public, non-profit, and private-for-profit entities to make redevelopment happen.

The goals and objectives of the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan form the basis for the proposed changes in land use designations for the 4 subject areas. In order to proceed with redevelopment as outlined in the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan, it is necessary to revise existing land uses within the WCRAO and put in place land use designations that would allow for a mix of residential and commercial units in several zoning-sub-districts, thus, bringing the designations of the 4 subject areas into conformity with those that are required for smart growth and form-based zoning strategies.

In addition to the proposed changes in land uses that is the subject of this amendment, there are 2 companion amendment items each of which are geared towards reaching the goals and principles set forth in the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan:

- 1. the Westgate Community Redevelopment Area TCEA Modification, and
- 2. the Westgate Community Redevelopment Agency Overlay Increase of Bonus Pool Units.

The TCEA Modification amendment proposes to revise the existing Traffic Concurrency Exception Area (TCEA) in Westgate. The Westgate TCEA is based on the 1991 CRA Master Plan for the area, which seeks to encourage increased commercial and industrial development in various areas of the Westgate community. Based on Euclidian or use-based zoning approaches, the Westgate TCEA established numerical limits on specific types of development.

Currently, traffic volumes on roadways in and around Westgate already exceed or will exceed the adopted Level of Service (LOS) in the near future. Moreover, the proposed land use changes and future development goals encouraged in the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan, which calls for pedestrian friendly compact mixed-use developments, presupposed higher land use intensity and density resulting in a stronger output of housing units than allowed by the existing TCEA. Thus, in order to achieve the goals of the 2005 Plan represented by the WCRAO Amendment, a companion amendment calling for revision of the existing TCEA to accommodate expected density and intensity increases is being sought.

The Westgate CRA TCEA is a text amendment seeking to revise Policy 1.2-r of the Comprehensive Plan Transportation Element, which outlines the Westgate CRA TCEA. Specifically, the proposed amendment revises the existing numerical limits on specific types of development in the existing TCEA.

Development approvals utilizing the TCEA would allow development at the maximum allowable limits for units, square footage, total daily trips, and total p.m. hour trips set by the revised TCEA pool. The proposed TCEA revisions would allow a developer to combine lots or choose instead to develop on one (1) parcel or one (1) lot, which would be considered one (1) project.

As the proposed TCEA caps development at a specified number according to type, the potential cumulative impact of the proposed TCEA combined with the proposed land use designation changes of the WCRAO amendment could result in the development limits of the TCEA being exceeded.

Finally, the WCRAO Density Bonus Pool Increase amendment proposes to revise Policy 1.2.4-b in the County Comprehensive Plan to increase the density bonus pool units for the Westgate Community Redevelopment Agency Overlay. Currently Future Land Use Policy 1.2.4-b assigns a density pool of 300 units to the WCRAO. A proposed residential project must be recommended for approval by the Community Redevelopment Agency to be eligible to receive bonus units from the density pool. The proposed amendment is requesting an additional 1000 bonus units for a total of 1300 bonus units for the CRA. This request is necessary in order to allow for the implementation of redevelopment programs earmarked for the WCRAO as articulated in the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan.

B. INTENT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT

The intent of the proposed amendment is to amend the land use designation for 4 areas in the WCRAO in order to facilitate the implementation of the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan.

C. ISSUE SUMMARY AND ASSESSMENT

The following offers a summary of the issues and concerns regarding the proposed amendment, followed by staff assessment. Full discussion of each of the items listed below can be found in the **Support Data and Analysis Section** of this report. The primary considerations surrounding this proposed FLUA amendment are as follows:

Factor of Consideration	Staff Assessment
Justification Statement: The County's	The 1989 Westgate CRA Redevelopment Plan dealt principally with
Comprehensive Plan requires that a land use amendment be justified. The applicant based the proposed amendment on the factor of "new issues".	The 1989 Westgate CRA Redevelopment Plan dealt principally with improving the physical infrastructure of the Westgate area including drainage and street paving. The Westgate CRA Board, following a 2003 community charrette, recognized the need to place more emphasis on commercial corridor development as well as mixed-use and infill development due to Westgate's increasing population and growing concerns within the community over arresting socio-economic distress. The Westgate CRA Board revised the 1989 Redevelopment Plan with these concerns in mind and developed the 2005 Amended Redevelopment plan. The revised plan continues to promote needed infrastructure improvements but places renewed emphasis on strategies aimed at safeguarding and improving the commercial and residential quality of life of the Westgate area. Part of this strategy includes greater intensity and density in terms of land use through infill development and mixed-use development. In order to move forward with this type of development, the existing land use designations must be changed. Thus, the justification for a land use change for the proposed
	amendment is valid.
Demonstration of Need: A demonstration of need is required for a land use amendment.	
Urban Sprawl Rule: One of the principles of the Comprehensive Plan is to prevent urban sprawl. As well, State Statutes require that all site specific amendments be reviewed against the 13 indicators of urban sprawl.	The proposed amendment calls for redevelopment and infill that does not indicate urban sprawl. Thus, the proposed amendment is consistent with this directive
Encouraging Sustainable Urban Development and Infill Development: FLU Sub-Objective 1.2.2 states that Palm Beach	primary form of development called for in the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan. <i>Thus, the proposed amendment is consistent</i>
	One of the main points of focus of these meetings was how to safeguard and improve the overall quality of life of the Westgate community. The 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan addresses this, among other concerns. Thus, the proposed amendment is

Factor of Consideration	Staff Assessment
Residual Parcels: FLU Policy 2.2-f states	'
Compatibility: Ensuring land use compatibility is a County Direction. The proposed designations for the four subject areas will allow mixed-use development. The land uses surrounding each of these sites show commercial and residential designations that are generally compatible with the proposed designations.	designations for the proposed amendment generally do not create conflicting densities and intensities between the 4 subject areas and the surrounding sites. Thus, the proposed amendment is consistent with the goals of this
ULDC Conformance: The proposed zoning category must be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan designation.	
Services and Infrastructure: County directives require that adequate services and infrastructure be in place before development occurs.	District. Water/Sewer lines and septic systems serve the area. The
Department Review and Comments: This amendment has been disseminated to the other Palm Beach County Departments that have jurisdiction over areas covered in this amendment.	'
Neighborhood Plans, Overlays, and Special Studies: The proposed amendment must be consistent with the goals, policies, and objectives of existing neighborhood plans, overlays, and special studies.	and the Revitalization and Redevelopment Overlay (RRO). Each overlay area was created encourage development and redevelopment and to provide coordinated assistance to

D. PUBLIC AND MUNICIPAL REVIEW

- 1. Intergovernmental Plan Amendment Review Committee (IPARC): Notification of this amendment was sent to the Palm Beach County Intergovernmental Plan Amendment Review Committee (IPARC) for review. The IPARC functions as a clearing-house for plan amendments in Palm Beach County. A formal IPARC notice (requesting comments) was sent on January 20, 2004. To date, no objections to this amendment have been received.
- 2. Other Notice: Public notice by letter has been provided to each property owner and interested parties. At the time of the printing of this report, no written comments had been received. However, there were numerous phone calls and in-person inquiries.

E. ASSESSMENT AND CONCLUSIONS

This is an amendment proposing to change the future land use designations of 4 areas totaling 270.49 acres within the Westgate Community Redevelopment Area Overlay (WCRAO). The proposed changes are as follows:

Area 1, 13 acres in size, from Institutional/Industrial (INST/IND) to Commercial High, with underlying 8 units per acre (CH/8);

Area 2, 92.06 acres, from High Residential, 8 units per acre (HR-8) and Commercial High (CH) to Commercial High, with an underlying 8 units per acre (CH/8);

Area 3, 110.43 acres, from High Residential, 8 units per acre (HR-8) to Commercial Low, with an underlying 8 units per acre (CL/8); and,

Area 4, 55 acres, from Industrial (IND) to Commercial High, with underlying Industrial (CH/IND).

The proposed amendment would introduce the flexibility to develop residential and/or commercial projects in the WCRAO. Increasing the density and intensity of uses through infill and mixed-use development in the 4 subject areas is a primary goal of the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan.

The amendment is based on the factor of new issues. Since the passage of the Westgate CRA 1989 Redevelopment Plan, Westgate residents and the Westgate CRA have recognized the need to implement a more comprehensive infill and redevelopment strategy in order to ensure that Westgate remains a viable area for future residential and commercial investment and development. The 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan ostensibly came into being to address the need for A) quality workforce housing and B) increased development-related investment. Both of these concerns, which are linked to the pressures previously listed, must be addressed in order to maintain the business and residential quality of life in the WCRAO for current and future populations.

The demonstration of need for the proposed amendment has been established. The 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan promotes the use of infill and mixed-use development to encourage residential and commercial redevelopment. The existing FLU designations on the four subject areas allow only singular uses or non-residential uses only. The proposed FLU designations would allow for residential and non-residential uses, specifically commercial uses, which are needed to create and implement infill and mixed-use development strategies.

F. ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS

The following courses of action are available to the Board:

- 1. Recommendation of *approval*;
- 2. Recommendation of *approval with modifications*; or
- 3. Recommendation of *denial*.

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EXHIBIT 1

A. Future Land Use Atlas, Westgate Community Redevelopment Area-Overlay

Amendment No.: LGA 2005-00021 (Area 1)

FLUA Page No.: 57

Amendment: From Institutional, with underlying Industrial (INST/IND) to Commercial High, with

an underlying 8 units per acre (CH/8)

Location: North of Orange Avenue, south of Westgate Avenue, east of Military Trail and west

of Country Club Road.

Size: Approximately 13 acres, 33 separate parcels

Existing Zoning: Multi-Family Residential-Medium Density (RM)

Existing Use: School

Present Dev. Industrial or Institutional uses: 254,826 sq. ft. max (.45 FAR)

Potential:

Proposed Dev. Commercial Uses: 566,280 sq. ft. max (1.0 FAR)*

Potential: Residential Uses: 104 d.u. (8 du/ac)*

*Can only achieve maximum for both if project is developed as mixed-use with at

least 20% vertical integration

Property Control See Exhibit 3

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B. Future Land Use Atlas, Westgate Community Redevelopment Area-Overlay

Amendment No.: LGA 2005-00022 (Area 2)

FLUA Page No.: 57 and 58

Amendment: From High Residential 8 units per acre (HR-8) on 86.39 acres, and Commercial

High (CH) on 5.67 acres, to Commercial High, with an underlying 8 units per acre

(CH/8)

Location: North of Westgate Avenue, south of Shawnee Avenue, east of Military Trail and

west of Congress Avenue.

Size: Approximately 92.06 acres, 572 separate parcels

Existing Zoning: Multi-Family Residential-Medium Density (RM), Multiple Use Planned

Development (MUPD), Commercial General/Special Exception (CG/SE), Multi-

Family Residential-High Density (RH)

Existing Use: Vacant, residential, church, school

Present Dev. Residential uses: 691 d.u. (8 du/ac)

Potential: Commercial uses: 246,985 sq. ft. max (1.0 FAR)

Proposed Dev. Commercial: 4,010,133 sq. ft. max (1.0 FAR)*

Potential: Residential uses: 736 d.u. (8 du/ac)*

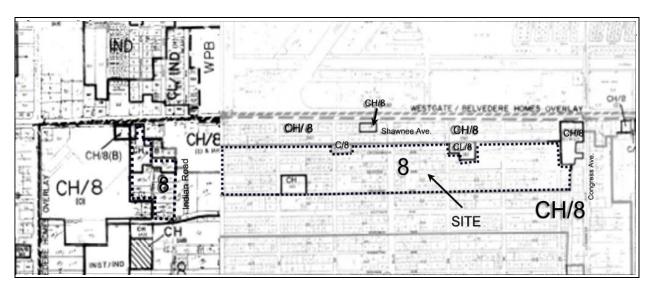
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least 20% vertical integration

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C. Future Land Use Atlas, Westgate Community Redevelopment Area-Overlay

Amendment No.: LGA 2005-00023 (Area 3)

FLUA Page No.: 58

Amendment: From High Residential 8 units per acre (HR-8), to Commercial Low with an

underlying 8 units per acre (CL/8)

Location: North of Aspen Road, south of Nokomis Avenue, east of Quail Drive and west of

Congress Avenue.

Size: Approximately 110.43 acres, 827 separate parcels

Existing Zoning: Multi-Family Residential-High Density (RH), Multi-Family Residential-Medium

Density (RM), Public Ownership (PO)

Existing Use: Residential, churches, school, park, vacant

Present Dev. Residential:

Residential Uses: 883 d.u. (8 du/ac)

Proposed Dev. Potential:

Commercial: 4,810,330 sq.ft. max (1.0 FAR)*

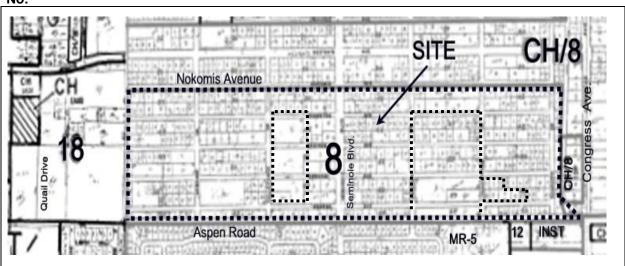
Residential Uses: 883 d.u. (8 du/ac)*

*Can only achieve maximum for both if project is developed as mixed-use with at

least 20% vertical integration

Property Control See Exhibit 3

No:



D. Future Land Use Atlas, Westgate Community Redevelopment Area-Overlay

Amendment No.: LGA 2005-00024 (Area 4)

FLUA Page No.: 58

Amendment: From Industrial (IND) to Commercial High, underlying Industrial (CH/IND)

Location: North of Bridgeman Road, south of Old Okeechobee Blvd., east of Cynmar Drive

and west of Florida Mango Road.

Size: Approximately 55 acres, 143 separate parcels

Existing Zoning: Light Industrial (IL), Commercial General (CG), Commercial General/Special

Exception (CG/SE), Special Exception (SE)

Existing Use: Industrial, office, vacant

Present Dev. Industrial Uses: 1,078,110 sq.ft. max (.45 FAR)

Potential:

Proposed Dev. Commercial Uses: 2,395,800 sq. ft. max (1.0 FAR) or **Potential:**

Industrial Uses: 1,078,110 sq. ft. max (.45 FAR)

Property Control See Exhibit 3

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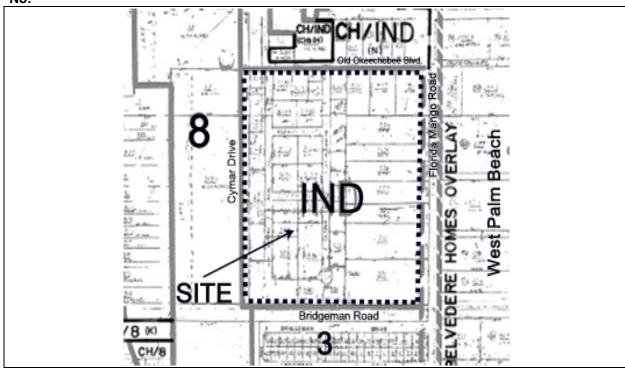


EXHIBIT 2

SUPPORT DATA AND ANALYSIS

Rule 9J-5, F.A.C., requires a land use analysis for each plan amendment, and that land use determinations are based upon this analysis. The analysis of the proposed Future Land Use Atlas amendment addresses, among other items, the following factors, each of which are addressed in detail on the following pages.

Α.	Consistency with Justification/Need Requirements:	Justification Statement and Demonstrated Need requirements in the Introduction and Administration Element of the 1989 Comprehensive Plan. Justification must be based on one or more of the following factors: • Changed projections. Changed projections in the Comprehensive Plan, including but not limited to amendments that would ensure provision of public facilities; • Changed assumptions. Changed assumptions in the Comprehensive Plan, including but not limited to the fact that an area's growth has altered the character such that the proposed development is now reasonable and consistent with land use characteristics; • Data errors. Data errors, including errors in mapping, vegetative types and natural features in the Comprehensive Plan; • New issues. New issues that have arisen since adoption of the Comprehensive Plan; • Additional Detail or Comprehensiveness. Recognition of a need for additional detail or comprehensiveness in the Comprehensive Plan; or • Data updates. Data updates.
B.	Consistency, County Plans:	Palm Beach County 1989 Comprehensive Plan; and other County Plans and Programs;
C.	Consistency, State Statutes:	Urban Sprawl Rule, Administrative Rule 9-J5, Sections 163.3177 F.S., and the State Comprehensive Plan, Section 187.201, F.S.;
D.	Compatibility:	Adjacent and nearby land uses, both existing and planned;
E.	Service Impacts:	Impacts of the proposed amendment on public facilities and services.

A. CONSISTENCY WITH THE JUSTIFICATION/NEED REQUIREMENTS

1. Review of the Justification

This is a County initiated amendment based on **New Issues**.

The proposed Westgate Community Redevelopment Area-Overlay (WCRAO) amendment implements the recommendations and overall vision of the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan passed by the Westgate CRA following a public charrette in September of 2003. The 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan is a revision of the Westgate CRA's 1989 Redevelopment Plan. The latter focused on attending to physical infrastructure needs such as poor drainage, excessive flooding, and pavement of streets. In 1996, these needed improvements were successfully accomplished in some areas of the Westgate area, however, it became apparent to the Westgate CRA Board that due to changing conditions and demographics within the WCRAO, revisions to the 1989 Plan were necessary in order for continued redevelopment activity to be effective in the Westgate area.

Following the September 2003 charrette called for by the Westgate CRA Board, participants recommended that a new Redevelopment Plan should continue to make infrastructure improvements a priority in the WCRAO. However, there should also be more emphasis placed on encouraging commercial corridor development in specific areas of Westgate, and mixed-use and infill development throughout Westgate. The new recommendations flow out of the realization that population growth has been and will continue to be robust in the Westgate area for the foreseeable future and that existing development intensity and density are relatively low for an area that is part of a large metropolitan area. Because of this recognition by the Westgate CRA and charrette participants, the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan calls for land use designations that allow for infill and mixed-use development, which are the goals of the land use designations being proposed in the present amendment.

2. Demonstration of Need

Based on the information provided regarding the goals of the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan and FLU data for the WCRAO, there is sufficient Demonstration of Need for the proposed land use changes. The existing FLU designations of the 4 subject areas do not allow for the building of mixed-use developments called for in the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan. Except for Area 1, which has an INST/IND designation, thus allowing a mixture of Institutional and Industrial uses, none of the four areas allow for the mixing of residential with commercial uses, a mainstay of mixed-use development strategies endorsed by the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan.

B. CONSISTENCY WITH COUNTY PLANS AND PROGRAMS

Policies, which pertain to the provision of services and/or development of the site itself, are addressed, where appropriate, in following sections of this report. Other more general policies and growth management directives, which have a relationship to the petition, are addressed below.

- 1. Consistency with the 1989 Comprehensive Plan
 - a. Introduction and Administration Element Growth Directive: encourages redirected "growth to the East where services and facilities can be provided and encourage the revitalization/redevelopment of the coastal communities" (p. 1 IA). Such redirection of growth also supports the County Land Use Element Infill Directive in the Land Use Element that encourages "infill development in urban areas to increase efficient use of land, and existing public facilities and services." (p. 6-FLUE).
 - **Staff Analysis/Comment:** The subject properties are in the Urban/Suburban Tier, and will make use of existing infrastructure. Thus, the proposed land use designations for the subject areas are consistent with this Directive.
 - **b.** Future Land Use Element Sub-Objective 1.2.2: "Palm Beach County shall encourage and support sustainable urban development, including restoration, infill and adaptive reuse."
 - **Staff Analysis/Comment:** The proposed amendment would encourage utilization of existing infrastructure in developing infill and mixed-use commercial and residential structures. This proposal is also part of a larger redevelopment strategy, which intends to provide water/sewer lines to existing homes in specified locations that currently depend on septic tanks. Thus, the proposed amendment is consistent with the goals of this Directive.
 - c. Future Land Use Element Sub-Objective 1.2.3: The County shall establish the Revitalization and Redevelopment Overlay to identify neighborhoods that are considered distressed so that they may be targeted for comprehensive and coordinated assistance. This assistance shall involve a partnership of local residents, the County, and other interested stakeholders to reverse blighted conditions and promote the creation of desirable and safe places to live, work, and play.
 - **Staff Analysis/Comment:** The proposed amendment includes areas that lie within the Revitalization and Redevelopment Overlay. The proposed land use changes are part of a series of recommendations that were developed subsequent to a community charrette involving residents and businesses that took place in September 2003. The overall aim of the charrette was to create strategies that would improve and sustain the physical and socio-economic quality of life of the Westgate area. Thus, the proposed amendment is consistent with the goals of this Directive.
 - **d. Future Land Use Element Policy 2.2-f:** The County shall not approve site specific Future Land Use Atlas amendments, which encourage piecemeal development or create residual parcels.
 - **Staff Analysis/Comment:** The proposed amendment changes the designation of several parcels in the WCRAO from Industrial (IND) to Commercial High, with underlying Industrial (CH/IND), or Commercial High, with an underlying 8 units per acre (CH/8). As a result of these proposed changes, which aim to encourage mixed-use development, these areas are less likely to develop as pockets of isolation. In addition, the overall strategy of the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan is intended to encourage development of mixed-use projects. *Thus, this proposed amendment is consistent with the goals of this Directive.*

2. Consistency with Applicable Neighborhood Plans, Overlays, and Studies

The four areas that are the subject of this amendment fall within the boundaries of two existing overlays; the Westgate/Belvedere Homes Community Redevelopment Area Overlay (WCRAO) per Sub-Objective 1.2.4, and the Revitalization and Redevelopment Overlay (RRO) per Sub-Objective 1.2.3. The boundaries of the two overlays as they relate to the Westgate area are identical: each overlay is bounded on the south by Belvedere Road, on the north by Okeechobee Boulevard, on the east by Florida Mango Road, and on the west by Military Trail.

The overall goals of each overlay area are related; each involves efforts to reverse blighted conditions and revitalize and/or redevelop areas where residents live, work, and play. Under the Comprehensive Plan, the WCRAO, Sub-Objective 1.2.4, states:

The Westgate/Belvedere Homes Community Redevelopment Area Overlay was created to encourage development and redevelopment of the Westgate area. The special land use provisions for the Overlay are designed to arrest deterioration of property values, and preserve affordable housing and complement the efforts to prepare and implement a community redevelopment plan for the Westgate area.

Similarly, under the Comprehensive Plan, the RRO, Sub-Objective 1.2.3, states:

The County shall establish the Revitalization and Redevelopment Overlay to identify neighborhoods that are considered distressed so that they may be targeted for comprehensive and coordinated assistance. This assistance shall involve a partnership of local residents, the County, and other interested stakeholders to reverse blighted conditions and promote the creation of desirable and safe places to live, work, and play.

The Comprehensive Plan, under Policy 1.2.4-e, recognizes the similarities of interest that exist between the RRO and the WCRAO:

The policies of Objective 1.2., the Urban/Suburban Tier, as well as the policies of Sub-objective 1.2.3, the Revitalization and Redevelopment Overlay, shall apply within the Westgate/Belvedere Homes Community Redevelopment Overlay (WCRAO).

Thus, the overall goals of this amendment, as previously articulated in this report, is consistent with those of the WCRAO and the RRO under the Comprehensive Plan.

C. CONSISTENCY WITH THE URBAN SPRAWL RULE

Florida's Department of Community Affairs evaluates local land use amendments for consistency with Administrative Rule 9J-5, which sets out criteria for determining when a proposed plan amendment contributes to urban sprawl, in order to comply with the mandates of Sections 163.3177 Florida Statues, and the State Comprehensive Plan, Section 187.201, Florida Statues. The State of Florida regulations (9J-5.006.5) require a thirteen-point analysis of development to assure that such development does not contribute to urban sprawl. An evaluation of each point is provided below.

Urban Sprawl Criteria	Staff Assessment	Sprawl Indicated?
Criteria Related to Land Use Patterns		
9J-5.006.5.1: Promotes, allows or designates for development substantial areas of the jurisdiction to develop as low-intensity, low-density, or single-use development or uses in excess of demonstrated need.	development of higher density and intensity of mixed-use projects and will not allow for	No
9J-5.006.5.3: Promotes, allows or designates urban development in radial, strip, isolated or ribbon patterns generally emanating from existing urban developments.	use development within desired areas that will	No
development or the redevelopment of existing neighborhoods and communities.	redevelopment of existing areas.	
9J-5.006.5.11: Fails to encourage an attractive and functional mix of uses.	The proposed amendment encourages and facilitates the creation of mixed-use developments.	No
9J-5.006.5.12: Results in poor accessibility among linked or related land uses.	The proposed mixed-use development pattern will promote and require accessibility among related land uses.	No
9J-5.006.5.13: Results in the loss of significant amounts of functional open space. Criteria related to sites located outside or at the	significant loss of functional space.	No
9J-5.006.5.2: Promotes, allows or designates significant amounts of urban development to occur in rural areas at substantial distances from existing urban areas while leaping over undeveloped lands which are available and suitable for development.	The proposed amendment is within the Urban/Suburban Tier in an area that is already	No
9J-5.006.5.4: As a result of premature or poorly planned conversion of rural land to other uses, fails adequately to protect and conserve natural resources, such as wetlands, floodplains, native vegetation, environmentally sensitive areas, natural groundwater aquifer recharge areas, lakes, rivers, shorelines, beaches, bays, estuarine systems, and other significant natural systems.	Urban/Suburban Tier that is already mostly developed and does not exhibit rural area characteristics.	No
9J-5.006.5.5: Fails adequately to protect adjacent agricultural areas and activities,	The proposed amendment is within the Urban/Suburban Tier and is not considered, nor is it adjacent to, an agricultural area.	No
9J-5.006.5.9: Fails to provide a clear separation between rural and urban uses.	The proposed amendment lies within the Urban/Suburban Tier surrounded by urban uses.	No

Urban Sprawl Criteria	Staff Assessment	Sprawl Indicated?
Criteria Related to Public Facilities		
9J-5.006.5.6: Fails to maximize use of existing public facilities and services.	Palm Beach County Water Utilities is the service provider. The proposed amendment encourages mixed-use and infill development which takes advantage of existing facilities and services.	No
9J-5.006.5.7: Fails to maximize use of future public facilities and services.	Palm Beach County Water Utilities is the service provider. The proposed amendment encourages mixed-use and infill development which takes advantage of existing and future facilities and services.	No
9J-5.006.5.8: Allows for land use patterns or timing which disproportionately increase the cost in time, money and energy, of providing and maintaining facilities and services, including roads, potable water, wastewater, stormwater management, law enforcement, education, health care, fire and emergency response, and general government. Overall Assessment: The proposed amendment	use pattern that is within the Urban/Suburban Tier where urban services are planned.	No

D. COMPATIBILITY

Compatibility Directive, Land Use Element, page 1-LU: This directive requires that the densities and intensities of land uses not be in conflict with those of surrounding areas, whether incorporated or unincorporated.

Staff Analysis/Comment: The 4 areas that are the subject of the proposed amendment are generally compatible with the surrounding areas as they primarily have higher density or intensity FLU designations. Area 1 (see Exhibit 1) -proposed FLU CH/8- is surrounded by HR-8 designations on the north, west, and south borders and by CH designations on the east. Area 2-proposed FLU CH/8- is surrounded by CH/8 designations to the north, south, east, and west. Area 3-proposed FLU CL/8- is surrounded by CH/8 to the north and east, by HR-18 to the west, and MR-5 to the south. Area 4-proposed FLU CH/IND-has CH/IND designated land to the north, HR-8 to the west, and LR-3 to the south. It is bounded on the east by the City of West Palm Beach which has an IND FLU designation.

Although there are residential sites adjacent to Area 4, which has a proposed CH/IND FLU designation, the proposed FLU designations for the proposed amendment do not generally create conflicting densities and intensities between the 4 subject areas and the surrounding sites.

E. SERVICE IMPACTS

The following section examines the impacts of the proposed amendment on public facilities.

1. Traffic Findings: The Westgate Community Redevelopment Area-Overlay (WCRAO) was divided into 4 separate areas with each area containing a collection of individually owned parcels belonging to multiple owners. Even though land use changes are being

done areawise, the parcels will come in for development individually. Hence staff examined the traffic impacts of the largest parcel in each area for the year 2025 and found that there would be no significant impacts on the roadway system for Area 2 and Area 3. There would be significant impacts on the roadway system for Area 1 and Area 4 assuming a 1.0 FAR. But if the largest parcel in Area 1 and Area 4 are conditioned to 0.86 FAR and 0.92 FAR, respectively, then the traffic will not exceed the capacity of the surrounding roadway network. However it has to be noted that Okeechobee Blvd. has a CRALLS designation and is targeted for Corridor Master Plan. Projects utilizing the CRALLS designations will be subject to mitigation, which may include measures such as reducing density/intensity. The proposed land use amendment increasing the intensity may negatively impact the projects utilizing the CRALLS and may result in requiring further reduction of density/intensity of these projects. A land use amendment increasing the trips on the CRALLS segments, therefore, may create a negative impact on other developments in the area.

2. Traffic Impacts, Land Use Element Policy 3.5-d: "The County shall not approve a change to the Future Land Use Atlas which results in an increase in density or intensity of development generating additional traffic that significantly impacts any roadway segment projected to fail to operate at the adopted level of service standard based upon the adopted Long Range Transportation Plan." (p. 72-FLUE)

Staff Analysis/Comment:

Area 1

Future 2025 Traffic Projections: Based upon the 2025 volume estimates provided at the maximum intensity (1.0 FAR) of 566,280 sq. ft. of commercial on the 13 acre parcel, which is the largest parcel in the area, the following roadway segments within the impacted area (3 mile radius) will not operate at an acceptable Level of Service.

Okeechobee Blvd from Military Trail to Palm Beach Lakes Blvd.
Military Tr from Okeechobee Blvd to Westgate Ave.
Military Tr from Belvedere Rd to Southern Blvd.
Palm Beach Lakes from Village Blvd to I-95

The project traffic on Okeechobee Blvd. and Military Tr. will be more than 3% of the adopted Level of Service 'D' volumes, if developed at the maximum 1.0 FAR, and will, therefore, be significant.

Conclusion: At the maximum intensity (566,280 sq. ft. of commercial) the project would generate traffic in excess of the allowable 3% of the adopted Level of Service volumes on Okeechobee Blvd. and Military Tr. for the year 2025. As a result this amendment at the maximum intensity would be inconsistent with the traffic requirements of the Comprehensive Plan for land use amendments.

However, the application will be consistent with the traffic requirements of the Comprehensive Plan if it is conditioned to 0.86 FAR. Based on this condition, the traffic analysis shows that the following roadway segments will exceed the capacity in 2025.

Okeechobee Blvd. from Military Trail to Palm Beach Lakes Blvd. Military Trail from Belvedere Road to Southern Blvd. Palm Beach Lakes from Village Blvd to I-95

The project traffic on these segments will be less than 3% of the adopted LOS and therefore, will not be significant. As a result, this conditional amendment will be consistent with the traffic requirements of the Comprehensive Plan for land use amendments.

Area 2

Future 2025 Traffic Projections: Based upon the 2025 volume projections provided in Exhibit 6B (at the maximum intensity of 1.0 FAR of 181,645 sq. ft. of commercial), on the 4.17-acre parcel, which is the largest parcel in Area 2, Palm Beach Lakes Blvd from Village Blvd. to I-95 will not operate at an acceptable Level of Service.

However, the project traffic on this segment is projected to be less than 3% of the LOS D volumes of the segments and will, therefore, not be significant.

Conclusion: The applicant's traffic analysis indicates that one roadway segment is projected to exceed capacity in the year 2025. However, the project traffic on this segment would be less than 3% of LOS D volumes and, therefore, would not be significant. As a result, this amendment will be consistent with the traffic requirements of the Comprehensive Plan for land use amendments.

Area 3

Future 2025 Traffic Projections: Based upon the 2025 volume projections provided in Exhibit 6C(at the maximum intensity of 1.0 FAR of 116,741 sq. ft. of commercial), on the 2.68-acre parcel, which is the largest parcel in Area 3, all road segments within the affected area (2 miles) will operate at an acceptable level of service.

Conclusion: The applicant's traffic analysis indicates that all affected road segments are projected to operate within LOS D capacity in 2025. As a result, this amendment is consistent with the traffic requirements of the comprehensive plan for land use amendments.

Area 4

Future 2025 Traffic Projections: Based upon the 2025 volume estimates provided in Exhibit 6D, at the maximum intensity (1.0 FAR) of 387,684 sq. ft.of commercial on the 8.9-acre parcel, which is the largest parcel in Area 4, Australian Ave from Belvedere Rd. to Southern Blvd. will not operate at an acceptable Level of Service. The project traffic will be more than 3% of the adopted Level of Service 'D' volumes and will, therefore, be significant.

Conclusion: At the maximum intensity (387,684 SF of commercial) the project would generate traffic in excess of the allowable 3% of the adopted Level of Service volumes on Australian Ave from Belvedere Rd. to Southern Blvd. for the year 2025. As a result this amendment at the maximum intensity would be inconsistent with the traffic requirements of the Comprehensive Plan for land use amendments.

However, the application will be consistent with the traffic requirements of the Comprehensive Plan if it is conditioned to 0.92 FAR. Based on this condition, the traffic analysis in Exhibit 8B shows that Australian Ave from Belvedere Rd. to Southern Blvd. will exceed the capacity in 2025. The project traffic on this segment will be less than 3% of the adopted LOS and therefore, will not be significant. As a result, this conditional amendment will be consistent with the traffic requirements of the Comprehensive Plan for land use amendments.

- **Mass Transit Impact:** The Westgate CRA points out that five bus lines operated by Palm Tran lies within the WCRAO. They are Routes 3, 40, 43, 44, and 53.
 - Staff Analysis/Comment: Palm Tran had no concerns with the proposed amendment
- **4. Potable Water & Sanitary Wastewater Impacts:** Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department is the potable water and sewer provider (PBCWUD).

Staff Analysis/Comment: There are no potable water or wastewater issues with the proposed land use change as all 4 areas either have or are planned to receive these services.

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- **5. Health Impacts:** Water and wastewater service is available in the WCRAO, there do not appear to be health concerns.
 - **Staff Analysis/Comment:** Palm Beach County Health Department had no concerns with the proposed amendment.
- **6. Fire-Rescue Impact:** The WCRAO is currently served by PBC Fire Rescue Station #24 located at 1734 Seminole Blvd., W. Palm Beach, 33409.
 - **Staff Analysis/Comment:** The subject properties are approximately within a ½-mile radius from the station. In fiscal year 2004, the station had an average response of 5:29 to its entire service area. The proposed amendment has no impact on Fire Rescue.
- **7. Environmental Impacts Wellfield Protection:** The WCRAO is not located in a Wellfield Zone.
 - **Staff Analysis/Comment:** ERM has been contacted and has stated that there are no issues of significance associated with the proposed amendment.
- 8. Conservation Policy 2.1-d 25% Set Aside: "The County shall require that all developments set aside as preserve areas a minimum of 25 percent of the total upland native plant communities on-site or 25 percent of each native plant community that occurs on-site." ERM
 - **Staff Analysis/Comment:** ERM has been contacted and has stated that there are no vegetation issues associated with the proposed amendment.
- 9. Parks and Recreation, School System, Library Impacts: The proposed amendment is requesting land use changes to Commercial High (CH) and Commercial Low (CL) as its primary use. The proposed amendment should have little or no effect on these services because it is primarily a land use change from a residential category to a commercial category with underlying residential. However, Area 1 (13 acres) is proposed to change from INST/IND to CH/8, thus introducing residential uses but that generate little need for those services.
 - **Staff Analysis/Comment:** The Parks and Recreation Department, the PBCSD, and the County Library System had no concerns regarding the proposed amendment.
- **10. Historic Resources Impacts:** There have been no historic or architecturally significant resources identified on or within 500 feet of the subject site.
 - **Staff Analysis/Comment:** Historic Resources staff indicated there are no issues regarding this proposed amendment.
- 11. Overall Impacts, Land Use Element Policy 2.1-f: "The future land use designations, and corresponding density and intensity assignments, shall not exceed the natural or manmade constraints of an area, considering assessment of soil types, wetlands, flood plains, wellfield zones, aquifer recharge areas, committed residential development, the transportation network, and available facilities and services. Assignments shall not be made that underutilize the existing or planned capacities of urban services."
 - **Staff Analysis/Comment:** The proposed amendment is not within a Wellfield Protection Zone. Water/sewer lines and septic tanks serve the WCRAO. The proposed

amendment is part of a larger series of projects that includes expansion of or delivery of the water and sewer infrastructure in specified areas of the WCRAO.

12. Other Impacts - Unified Land Development Code: The intent of the amendment is to implement the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan which supports mixed-use development. There will be future ULDC amendments to implement the 2005 Amended Redevelopment Plan.

Staff Analysis/Comment: Zoning Staff Comments.

- 1. Amendments should be conditioned to prohibit any rezoning and associated redevelopment, pending the adoption of a revised WCRA-O in the ULDC to be consistent with the goals and objectives of the WCRA Master Plan. Note: Staff has responded to the first draft of the proposed WCRA-O rewrite prepared by the CRA consultants, and expects to receive a revised draft soon.
- 2. To be consistent with proposed mixed use redevelopment outlined in the Master Plan, Code Revision staff recommends the following:
- a) Any commercial uses in the proposed redevelopment area north and south of Westgate Avenue, lying between Congress Avenue and Canal, should be required to incorporate residential uses (vertically or horizontally). Staff suggests, that the amount be one unit, or 25% of overall project, whichever is greater. See also, affordable housing provision comments under TCEA amendment.
- b) Commercial uses should be limited to the ground floor only, with office uses permitted on the 2nd Floor.
- c) Policy 1.2-a: Please ensure that 40% requirement applies to each specific project, not a developer. Whereas, one developer may have more than one density pool project, and this language would allow for the percentage to be met on only one project site. Also, add language to ensure that the required affordable housing is equitably distributed throughout a project.
- 3. Creation of Non-conforming uses: The proposed Master Plan and related WCRA-O amendments may result in the creation of several non-conforming uses. Existing residential uses should be allowed to remain if the owner desires, and be renovated or expanded in accordance with existing PDR's.
- 4. Institutional Land Uses: Consideration needs to be made for existing INST and publically owned uses proposed for Commercial designation, including but not limited to: High School on Westgate, elementary school south of Westgate Ave., fire station, park, and any INST churches.
- **13. Community Services Department:** The Community Services Department was contacted for comment on the proposed Amendment.
 - **Staff Analysis/Comment:** The CSD commented that there was no conflict between the goals and policies of the proposed amendment and those of the Department.
- **14. Office of Community Revitalization**: There are two County Community Revitalization Team (CCRT) Areas in the WCRAO: Belvedere Homes and Westgate.
 - **Staff Analysis/Comment:** The OCR staff indicated that there are no issues regarding this proposed amendment.

Public Facilities Impacts Table

Public Facility	Demand - Existing FLU INST/IND, HR-8 & CH, HR-8, and IND		- Proposed FLU _/8, and CH/IND	Demand Change	LOS Standard	Meets LOS?
Traffic					See Traffic Analysis	Yes
Mass Transit	No additional requirements	No additiona	ll requirements	None	Countywide headways of 60 min. with shorter headways in urban areas.	Yes
Potable Water (Palm Beach County Water	Area1 .1 gal x 566,280 sf x .45 FAR = 25,482.6 gpd			Increase of 74,950.2 gpd	.1 gal/day/sf (com) 180 gal/day/pers (res)	Yes
Utilities)	Area2 691.12 du x 2.34gph x 180 gpd = 291,099.7 gpd Area2 .1 gal x 246,985.2 s.f. x 1 FAR = 24,698.52 gpd	.1 gal x 4,010 401,013.36 g	.34gph x 180gpd =	Increase of 395,420.51 gpd	. ((33)	
	Area3 883.44 du x 2.34gph x 180 gpd = 372,104.9 gpd	.1 gal x 4,810 481,033.08 g	,330.8 s.f. x 1 FAR = od gph x 180gpd =	Increase of 481,033.08 gpd		
	Area4 .1 gal x 2,395,800 s.f. x .45 FAR = 107,811 gpd	.1 gal x 2,395 239,580 gpd	5,800 s.f x 1 FAR =	Increase of 131,769gpd		
Wastewater (Palm Beach County Water Utilities)	Palm Beach		80 s.f. x 1 FAR = gph x 100 gpd =	Increase of 55,481.4 gpd	.1 gal/day/sf (com) 100 gal/day/pers (res)	
	Area2 691.12 du x 2.34 gph x 100 gpd = 101,722 gpd .1 gal x 246,985 s.f. x 1 FAR = 24,698.5 gpd	24,336 gpd .1 gal x 4,010,133.6 s.f. x 1 FAR =				
	Area3 883.44 du x 2.34 gph x 100 gpd = 206,724.96 gpd	.1 gal x 4,810,330.8 s.f. x 1 FAR = 481,033.08 gph 883 du x 2.34gph x 100 gpd = 206,724.96 gph		Increase of 481,033.08 gpd		
	Area4 .1 gal x 2,395,800 s.f. x .45 FAR = 107,811 gpd		5,800 s.f. x 1 FAR =	Increase of 131,769 gpd		
Drainage (LWDD)	The site falls within the C-51 drainage basin. Legal positive outfall will be provided using a direct connection to the L-2 canal along the south side of Oswego Avenue. LPO will also be achieved utilizing the E3 ½ 8 Canal along Congress Avenue that runs into the L2 Canal. The L2B Canal will also be utilized for LPO. Each canal drains directly or indirectly into the C-51 point of legal				all off-site discharge to a	Yes
Solid Waste	Solid Waste Authority uses a per capita LOS standard and does not differentiate by use.	7.13 lb/į	oerson/day			Yes
Fire/Rescue	Avg. response time for station #24 to its entire service area: 5:29 min.	located at 1734 Seminole Boulevard within a 0.5 mile radius from the		Countywide average response time: 7.5 min.	Yes	
Wellfield Protection	Not located in a wellfield zone.	N/A	N/A	,		N/A
Historic Resources	No known historical resources hav been found on site.	e N/A	N/A			N/A

EXHIBIT 3

Parcel Control Numbers: LGA 2005-00021 (Area 1)

Parcel Control Numbers: LGA 2005-00022 (Area 2)

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EXHIBIT 4

LETTERS IN SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION

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Palm Beach County Board Of County Commissioners 301 North Olive Ave. 12th Floor West Palm Beach, FL 33401 Wednesday, April 6, 2005

Honorable Members of the Board:

The purpose of this letter is to express residents' concerns with the proposed future land use amendments, the extension of the TCEA (traffic control exception area) guidelines, and Bonus Density Pool extension from 300 to 1300.

The master plan showed beautiful pictures depicting mixed type of uses for Westgate and Congress Avenues, with first floor retail stores and multifloored apartments or condos above them. This type of uses is certainly very appealing to most of us, as it would make our area more appealing and desirable to businesses and residents alike while leaving the "old time charm" of the residential Westgate intact.

We understand, and support, the tax dollars new businesses can bring into our CRA budget, and we even support the existing commercial land uses along our CRA thoroughfares, including Okeechobee Blvd., Military Trail, Congress Avenue, Westgate Avenue, Belvedere Road and the industrial park off Church Street. These businesses are easily accessed from other county and state thoroughfares without much traffic through our residential streets. Our concern with the proposed amendments, however, is their impact to the residential community, as the proposed commercial land uses extend beyond our mayor thoroughfares.

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Bringing commercial opportunities to the interior of Westgate will certainly bring an increase in "nonresidential" traffic coming in and out of our residential community on a daily basis posing a threat to the pedestrian. Every speed hump we put in has resulted in an increase of high-speed traffic on parallel streets. If commercial businesses bring in more traffic, we may be renamed "humpville - an undesirable place to shop." This would be a short-lived revitalization.

If our area would not be a TCEA (the only one in Palm Beach County), our community would be already "overbuilt" and in violation of Palm Beach County Traffic Control codes. If the TCEA would not be expanded, and existing properties would be the only ones allowed to be "grand-fathered" in, the proposed future land use amendments would probably not be a threat to our quiet little neighborhood.

We are also concerned with the proposed expansion of the density bonuses. There are many vacant lots and business parks for sale already zoned for commercial use along our mayor thoroughfares. Our "bonus Density Pool" is the only one we know of in the entire state. If that does not attract new businesses, we don't know what quadrupling it will do other than attracting another super Wallmart.

In summary, we, the residents of the Westgate/Golfview Heights Neighborhood Association consider that the future impact of these changes will not only erode the residential neighborly charm of this area but also create public safety issues.

In closing, we respectfully ask that if you are to approve the proposed amendments in part or in full to please have some provisions in place to:

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1) ensure that new development will not pose a negative impact on our neighborhood streets; 2) limit the amount of units per acre to allow the development of townhouses to only one block from our thoroughfares to allow easy ingress and egress from those thoroughfares rather than through our single family homes; 3) new development or redevelopment that occurs as a result of the approved changes are compatible with and build upon the residential character of our community; and 4) to avoid the commercial uses to create unpleasant commercial strip environments. Hopefully, these and other provisions will help ensure that future development does not negatively impact our residential community and the overall ambiance of our community.

We thank you for your consideration to this request. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the content of this letter in greater detail, please do not hesitate to contact me at (561) 616-2549. We thank you for your cooperation and support to our desire to bring safety, and hope, to our community!

Cordially,



Edward Kaye, President

W.G.H.N.A

To Whom It May Concern:

In regards to the future land use in Westgate, I respectfully ask you not to pass and adopt changes to the land use in the proposed Westgate areas. I also oppose extending the traffic control exemption area guidelines. The impact of these changes will only erode the residential charm of the neighborhood and create safety issues.

Businesses bring tax dollars into the CRA budget but it accessed from other thoroughfares without having more traffic through our neighborhood. There are business parks already zoned commercial. Westgate Ave and Congress Ave were in the master plan so why not leave the residential Westgate intact.

A lot of the residence in Westgate, feel traffic is above what our streets were designed to handle. We need to curb the additional traffic that businesses will bring in by not amending and extending the traffic control exemption area.

Bringing commercial opportunities into Westgate will increase nonresidential traffic coming in and out of the community daily. There are a lot of kids and pedestrian safety issues. More businesses, more traffic, where will this end in a small community like ours.

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TRAFFIC STUDY

Available to the LPA and BCC upon request.