City of Palmetto
Agenda Item

Meeting Date: 7/18/11

Presenter: Lorraine Lyn
Department: Planning

Title: This is an informational item to be presented to the City Commission at its workshop. The School Board wishes to utilize the portables at the northern portion of the old Palmetto Elementary School campus for a long-term temporary location of several adult education programs for Manatee Technical Institute.

The subject property is designated Public Service Facility on the City of Palmetto Comprehensive Plan 2030 and is zoned Public. The proposed adult education use is consistent with the City’s adopted Future Land Plan and zoning in which schools are a permitted use. This proposal was presented to the City Development Review Committee (DRC) on June 28, 2011 with no objections.

The School Board proposes to utilize an existing school (former elementary) for the MTI adult education facility and submitted a site plan for the proposed facility showing the same locations of the portables and parking spaces which were used for the former elementary school. The site plan adds 3 paved parking spaces including one handicapped space and a sign similar to the existing Palmetto Elementary sign at the southwest corner of 9th Avenue W and 9th Street W.

The Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement for Public School Facility Planning between the School Board of Manatee County and the 5 jurisdictions of Manatee County was approved in 2010 which outlines the procedures for planning for educational facilities. Pursuant to the Interlocal Agreement, staff prepared a Preliminary Notice of Consistency following the initial notification from Mike Pendley, Executive Planner, School Board on May 24, 2011 and a Determination of Consistency following a request dated June 30, 2011.

Since this proposal does not involve an expansion of the existing facility and no major renovation and construction is involved pursuant to the Interlocal Agreement, approval by the Affected Local Government is not required. Parking provided will meet School Board standards and landscaping will not be required. Florida Statutes 1033(13) states: Existing schools shall be considered consistent with the applicable local government comprehensive plan adopted under part II of chapter 163. If a board submits an application to expand an existing school site, the local governing body may impose reasonable development standards and conditions on the expansion only, and in a manner consistent with s. 1013.51(1). Standards and conditions may not be imposed which conflict with those established in this chapter or the Florida Building Code, unless mutually agreed. Local government review or approval is not required for: (a) The placement of temporary or portable classroom facilities; or (b) Proposed renovation or construction on existing school sites, with the exception of construction that changes the primary use of a facility, includes stadiums, or results in a greater than 5 percent increase in student capacity, or as mutually agreed upon, pursuant to an interlocal agreement adopted in accordance with subsections (2)-(6).

Staff has no objection to the School Board's request.

Budgeted Amount: $0.00
Budget Page No(s):
Available Amount: $0.00
Expenditure Amount: $0.00

Additional Budgetary Information:

Funding Source(s):
Sufficient Funds: Yes
Budget Amendment Required: Yes
Source: City of Palmetto

City Attorney Reviewed:
Yes
No
N/A

Advisory Board Recommendation:
For
Against
N/A

Consistent With:
Yes
No
N/A

Potential Motion/Direction Requested:
This is an informational item. No action is required by the City Commission

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Attachments:
site plans