

# City of Cooper City Comprehensive Plan

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# CITY OF COOPER CITY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

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## **INTRODUCTION**

The City's Comprehensive Plan contains nine chapters, each corresponding to the required elements outlined in Section 9J-5, F.A.C. Each chapter contains data and analysis to support the goals, objectives and policies of each element.

The nine elements in this report relate to those areas of particular relevance in Cooper City. They are briefly described in the succeeding paragraphs.

### **Future Land Use Element**

The purpose of this Element is the designation of land use patterns consistent with the goals, objectives and policies of the local government. It provides for distribution of land use in a variety of land use patterns to support the future population of the community as well as the non-residential needs to support the community.

### **Transportation Element**

The Transportation Element consists of data and analysis regarding the existing transportation systems in the community including transit routes as well as community shuttles and bicycle and pedestrian ways. The Element also analyses the projected impacts of future development and growth of the City on the transportation system and identifies any deficiencies that may occur and remedies for the same.

### **Housing Element**

Proposes to provide guidance for the community on developing appropriate plans and policies to identify and meet projected deficits in the supply of housing for all sectors of the population as well as group homes, foster care facilities and households with special needs.

### **Infrastructure Element**

The Infrastructure Element addresses Sanitary Sewer, Solid Waste, Stormwater Management, Potable Water, and Natural Groundwater Aquifer Recharge. The data and analysis regarding each of these sub-elements identifies each of the capacities and the projected demand on all of the systems. The element also addresses how the community will provide these services for the existing and future population.

### **Conservation Element**

This Element describes the conservation, use, and protection of natural resources within the community. It addresses the air, water, water recharge, wetlands, water wellfields, soil, and other natural resources in the community including wildlife.

**Recreation and Open Space Element**

This Element identifies the comprehensive system of public and private parks for recreation in the community. This includes natural reservations, parks and playgrounds, open space and other recreational facilities to serve the existing and future population.

**Intergovernmental Coordination Element**

This Element demonstrates and outlines relationships between the City and various local; regional; state; and federal governments. It addresses how the communication between these various entities provides mechanisms for existing and future coordination.

**Capital Improvements Element**

This Element addresses the appropriate facility costs and standards that are needed to support the areas within the Comprehensive Plan. It demonstrates the tax base and financing capability of the community to support the required elements of the comprehensive plan for the existing and future population.

**Public School Facilities Element**

This Element was required through the 2005 Florida Legislature (Senate Bill 360) which mandated a comprehensive focus on school planning by requiring local governments and school boards to adopt a school concurrency system. It establishes a framework for the planning of public schools.