



PASCO COUNTY UPDATE TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Regional Planning

Upon completion of the Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR) process conducted by Glattig Jackson for the County, in January of 2005 the Pasco County Board of County Commissioners retained Glattig Jackson to completely update the Pasco County Comprehensive Plan. This process included the preparation of the necessary research, data collection and analysis to create a new growth management strategy that addressed the major issues and other special topic areas raised in the EAR as well as new amendments as directed by the County.

The EAR process that supported the update to the Comprehensive Plan involved facilitating diverse community interests to determine major issues of the community regarding their vision for future growth and development. During this process, Glattig Jackson created a method of communicating that vision that was unanimously accepted by the 25 member Citizen Advisory Committee and the Board of County Commissioners. A major component of the Comprehensive Plan Update involved translating the county-wide vision into new goals, objectives, and policies of the plan.

Client:
Pasco County

Location:
Pasco County, Florida

To develop the new policy framework, a Design Structure Graphic was created to articulate the vision. The graphic is an illustrative, non-regulatory tool that represents generalized land uses in the County and is based upon existing land use patterns, the adopted Future Land Use Map, and future anticipated growth. The graphic identifies rural areas, environmental systems, land uses, and transportation corridors. For planning purposes, the Design Structure Graphic provided the first step in creating amendments to the County's future land use map and Comprehensive Plan.

The Board of County Commissioners transmitted the updated Comprehensive Plan with unanimous approval to the Florida Department of Community Affairs on February 14, 2006 and adopted the new Comprehensive Plan on June 27, 2006.

