
**CITY OF ARCADIA
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION ELEMENT**

GOAL: **PROVIDE FOR THE COORDINATION AND COOPERATION AMONG ALL PERTINENT PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ENTITIES TO ENSURE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE USE OF AVAILABLE RESOURCES.**

Objective 1: Arcadia shall ensure that its comprehensive plan is coordinated with the comprehensive plans of the DeSoto County School Board, DeSoto County, and the Central Florida Regional Planning Council in order to ensure consistency between the plans, and in order to plan and provide for adequate public facilities.

Policy 1.1: To ensure compatibility, Arcadia shall coordinate with DeSoto County in the mutual review of plans. Proposed plan amendments will be requested upon knowledge of their transmittal to the Department of Community Affairs for review, and shall be reviewed within 90 days of their receipt by the City. DeSoto County shall be informed by the City, in writing, of any apparent inconsistencies.

Policy 1.2: Arcadia shall work with the DeSoto County School Board in the location of new schools and related facilities. Respective comprehensive and facility plans shall be reviewed to assist in the determination of suitable locations for new schools and related facilities.

Policy 1.3: Arcadia shall coordinate with the Central Florida Regional Planning Council in the implementation of those policies included in the Comprehensive Regional Policy Plan that require intergovernmental coordination.

Objective 2: Arcadia shall ensure that the impacts of land use planning are coordinated with DeSoto County, the Central Florida Regional Planning Council and appropriate State agencies.

Policy 2.1: Arcadia shall utilize the assistance of the Central Florida Regional Planning Council for informal mediation when annexation issues between DeSoto County and the City cannot be resolved.

Policy 2.2: Arcadia shall provide for a means of reciprocal notification, review and input regarding proposed developments which, because of their character or location, are determined to have multi-jurisdictional impacts. This process shall involve, as appropriate, DeSoto County, the Central Florida Regional Planning Council and State agencies. Arcadia shall provide for a similar reciprocal notification, review and input process regarding zoning changes between itself and DeSoto County.

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- Policy 2.3:** Arcadia shall develop a system to provide and receive information regarding development activities from entities outside the City.
- Policy 2.4:** Arcadia shall seek technical assistance from the Florida Department of State, Bureau of Historic Preservation regarding the identification, evaluation, preservation and mitigation of damage to historical resources.
- Policy 2.5:** Arcadia shall coordinate the following activities with the Florida Department of Transportation: access management; the intrastate highway system; rights-of-way preservation; and FDOT Work Program funding priorities.
- Objective 3:** *Arcadia shall coordinate all applicable level of service standards with the entity having operational or maintenance responsibility for the facility.*
- Policy 3.1:** Arcadia shall utilize the assistance of the Central Florida Regional Planning Council for informal mediation when or if level of service issues cannot be resolved between DeSoto County and the City.
- Policy 3.2:** Arcadia shall coordinate, where applicable, the timing, location and capacity of municipal services with DeSoto County to provide such services in a cost-efficient manner.
- Policy 3.3:** Arcadia shall maintain and strengthen the City-County Liaison Committee by enabling it to offer recommendations concerning service provision issues.
- Objective 4:** *The City will continue to work with the DeSoto County School Board and the County regarding population projections, school siting criteria, collocation of facilities and planning, consistent with the mutually approved Interlocal Agreement and policies of the Public School Facilities Element.*
- Policy 4.1:** The City shall continue to coordinate with the DeSoto County School Board and the County to provide planning for adequate sites and infrastructure for future public education facilities within the City.
- Policy 4.2:** During pre-development program planning and school site selection activities, the City shall coordinate with the DeSoto County School Board to collocate schools with other public facilities, such as parks, libraries, and community centers to the maximum extent possible.
- Policy 4.3:** The City shall coordinate with the County and the School Board to develop county-wide demographics including population projections and expected growth for incorporated and unincorporated areas.
- Policy 4.4:** The City shall coordinate the adopted County Comprehensive Plan with the School Board's annually updated 5-year facility work program.
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