# GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT

## GOAL

THE TOWN SHALL MAXIMIZE MAINTAIN A THE EXISTING STREET TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM THAT WILL PRESERVE, PROTECT AND ENSURE SUSTAIN THE A HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE FOR TOWN **RESIDENTS AND VISITORS FOCUSED ON SAFE ROADS AND** MULTIMOBILITY TO THAT FOSTERS A SAFE AND MORE EFFICIENT AND **CONVENIENT** TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM. COORDINATED WITH THE OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES. FOR ALL EXISTING AND FUTURE LAND USES.

#### **OBJECTIVE 1**

The Town shall continue to correct traffic operational deficiencies and undertake other needed measures, identified in this Element, that are necessary to the provision of a safe, convenient, and energy efficient, multimodal transportation system, including providing for protection of existing and future rights-of-way from building encroachment. Design of the multimodal transportation system will be done to ensure the safety of not only motorists, but also the safety of cyclists and pedestrians, particularly where they interact with motorists.

### POLICY 1.1

<u>The Town shall c</u>Continue to enforce zoning provisions regarding walls, hedges, and fences at intersections to minimize sight visibility hazards for motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians.

#### POLICY 1.2

The Town should consider shall continue to enforce modifying its land development regulations to adopt a "joint use access" provision controlling that limit the number of access points at which driveways enter onto the roadway system <u>pursuant to Code Section</u> 134-2180.

#### POLICY 1.3

<u>The Town shall c</u>Continue to enforce provisions in the Town's Zoning Ordinance relating to building setbacks from the "ultimate" right-of-way as identified in the Town Atlas; and, negotiate, as appropriate, during the site plan review process for dedication of rights-of-way for necessary or potential future road widening.

### **OBJECTIVE 2**

The Town shall issue development permits for land uses provided for on the Future Land Use Map only when there is sufficient roadway capacity to ensure that roadways affected by the development will operate at not less than the minimum levels of service standards set forth in this Element. Professionally accepted techniques shall be employed for measuring level of services for cars, trucks, and other vehicles as well as bikes and pedestrian for this purpose.

### POLICY 2.1

The Town shall use the following two-way peak-hour, peak-season Level of Service (LOS) standards for facilities and segments listed below, effective one year from adoption of this Element.

FACILITY OR SEGMENT		"LOS"
(1)	SR A1A	"E"
(2)	Royal Poinciana Way	"D"
(3)	Cocoanut Row/Bradley Place from to Seabreeze to north of Royal Poinciana Way	"E"
(4)	Southern Boulevard	"E"
(5)	All other roadways	"D"

The Town will shall continue to work with the Florida Department of Transportation (DOT), Palm Beach County and the Palm Beach Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency (TPA) for the purpose of determining an appropriate methodology for determining the level of service on roadways in the Town where there are no traffic signals. The purpose of this effort will be to develop a constrained roadway strategy for SR A1A and Southern Boulevard within the Town.

### POLICY 2.2

The Town shall prior to the issuance of a development order or permit for new construction or redevelopment, make and record a determination that:

2.2a The project provides for safe and convenient on-site traffic flow and vehicular parking. Consider needed motorized and non-motorized vehicle parking commensurate with the requirements of the Town's land development regulations; and,

2.2b The traffic generation of the project will not reduce the level of service on roadways in the Town to a level of service category lower than that established in this Plan.

# POLICY 2.3

The Town, <u>aAs</u> needed the Town will <u>shall</u> review its adopted level of service standards to determine if modification, in response to changed conditions, is warranted.

# POLICY 2.4

The Town shall maintain records regarding de minimus transportation impacts in order to determine if and when the 110% threshold of such impacts has been reached.

# POLICY 2.5

<u>The Town will shall continue to recognize the use of For those projects that cannot meet</u> the concurrency requirement for transportation, the Town's land development regulations include provisions for the use of "proportionate fair-share mitigation for transportation facilities" consistent with <u>Section § 163.3180(16)</u>, <u>Florida Statutes</u> Fla. Stat. Additionally, the regulations operate in a consistent manner with Palm Beach County's proportionate fair-share regulations <u>for those projects that cannot meet the concurrency</u> requirement for transportation.

# POLICY 2.6

<u>The Town shall require, a</u>As part of the Town's concurrency management system, <del>Town shall require that all transportation facilities be in place prior to the final inspection approval of a development permit.</del>

# **OBJECTIVE 3**

<u>The Town shall continue to c</u>-coordinate the Town's transportation planning efforts with the plans and programs of the Metropolitan Planning Organization and the Florida Department of Transportation's Adopted 5-Year Work Program and take into consideration public transportation and bicycle and pedestrian ways in future transportation planning.

# POLICY 3.1

The Town will shall continue to review this the subject Element on a regular basis to determine its consistency with the Florida Department of Transportation's adopted <u>Five</u> (5)-Year Work Program and plans of the <u>Metropolitan Planning Organization Planm Beach</u> <u>Transportation Planning Agency</u> (TPA), and make appropriate recommendations to these agencies regarding proposed projects that will improve impact design deficiencies on the major thoroughfares arterials leading into the Town.

### POLICY 3.2

The Town shall consider the appropriateness for, or effects upon, bicycle and pedestrian ways during the planning for construction or expansion of any major transportation facilities within its municipal limits.

### POLICY 3.3

The Town shall continue to coordinate between several local, county, state and federal agencies responsible for street and right-of-way signage to improve the repetitious, poorly located, aesthetically unpleasing and confusing signage within the Town. Community awareness shall also be advanced to educate the public about the Town's initiatives and the advantages of proper signage.

### POLICY 3.4

The Town will shall continue to coordinate with the MPO, TPA, FDOT, and PalmTran to ensure evaluate that pedestrian, bicycle, and mass transit connections are provided within the Town. The Town will may also seek consider enhancement grants through the MPO, FDOT, and other available sources to fund bicycle and pedestrian improvements within the Town, as opportunities arise.

### POLICY 3.5

The Town will shall continue to coordinate with the City of West Palm Beach and the City of Lake Worth to ensure interconnectivity with these jurisdictions in terms of pedestrian and bicycle facilities.

### POLICY 3.6

The Town will <u>shall</u> work <u>coordinate</u> when directed by the with the <u>MPOTPA</u>/State Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator to promote public education of the benefits of walking and bicycling through distribution of available on-line and printed materials.

#### **OBJECTIVE 4**

The Town shall continue to coordinate with responsible governmental agencies external to the Town to incorporate provisions into their plans, programs and operations and developments within their jurisdictions which will minimize transportation impacts to the Town consistent with the Town's efforts to manage traffic congestion on its roadways. A primary objective is to minimize traffic impacts to SR 80 and other regionally significant roads leading to the Town.

## POLICY 4.1

The Town will shall continue to coordinate with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Palm Beach County, the City of West Palm Beach and other communities to minimize transportation impacts to the Town through participation in the Palm Beach Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Transportation Planning Agency TPA and its respective committees.

## POLICY 4.2

The Town will shall continue to coordinate directly with FDOT to mitigate traffic impacts on SR 80 and other regionally significant roads leading to Palm Beach.

## **OBJECTIVE 5** (Town of Palm Beach proposed Strategic Planning Priority)

The Town shall preserve the built and natural environment by managing traffic, parking, and mobility impacts.

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POLICY 5.1

The Town shall consider the recommendations of the report titled "Town of Palm Beach <u>Traffic Analysis and Commercial Parking Areas Traffic and Parking Analysis Study</u>" prepared by The Corradino Group.

### POLICY 5.2

The Town shall control, regulate, and stabilize mobility including traffic, parking, and pedestrian-friendly routing.

### POLICY 5.3

The Town shall improve the safety of all modes of traffic to reduce accidents in roadways and waterways through enforcement of traffic laws and increased public education opportunities.

#### POLICY 5.4

The Town shall consider implementing emerging methods and technologies to enhance pedestrian safety including Adaptive traffic signal control (ATSC) and strategic crosswalk initiatives.

#### POLICY 5.5

The Town shall continue to evaluate existing parking inventory to identify opportunities and shortcomings to develop a comprehensive parking management plan.

# POLICY 5.6

The Town shall continue to partner with local, state, and federal stakeholders to proactively review and address regional transportation challenges, including technology-driven traffic coordination.

# POLICY 5.7

The Town shall explore alternatives to reduce traffic and parking congestion, including bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, evaluation of hybrid work programs, and alternative modes of transportation.

# POLICY 5.8

The Town shall consider the engagement and deployment of proposed a Seven (7) Point Parking Program, referred to as Palm Beach ParkMobile Expansion.

# POLICY 5.9

The Town shall consider creating a resident-focused Parking Management Plan.

# POLICY 5.10

The Town shall consider alternative traffic circulation options to improve traffic flow to achieve service levels in line with the comprehensive plan and implement a Traffic Mitigation Plan for roadways not meeting the Town's level of service standards.

# POLICY 5.11

The Town shall consider exploring traffic impact solutions as a part of a Traffic Mitigation Plan for school zones, including drop-off and pick-up.

# POLICY 5.12

The Town shall consider implementing a Parking Placard Program email communication system to reduce product materials renewals.

## POLICY 5.13 (results of traffic and parking study)

The Town should shall consider revising the land development and parking regulations and conducting improved parking audit information for a data-driven approach.

## POLICY 5.14

The Town of Palm Beach Police Department shall continue utilize an innovative parking management program(s) to provide consistent parking regulations and fees. high profile enforcement of all vehicular and non-vehicular traffic laws.

# **POLICY 5.15**

The Town shall continue to support the Florida Coast Guard to reduce bridge openings during rush hour.

### **POLICY 5.16**

The Town shall utilize an innovative parking management program(s) to provide consistent parking regulations and fees.