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**INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** TERESA LAMAR-SARNO, AICP, VILLAGE MANAGER  
**FROM:** BONNIE C. LANDRY, AICP, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING  
**SUBJECT:** COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE  
**DATE:** OCTOBER 19, 2018

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As a follow up to the request of Vice Mayor Stone, I am providing the first of bi-weekly updates to the Council on the development of the Village of Indiantown's Comprehensive Plan.

One of the first things that staff recommended was the establishment of the Comprehensive Plan Review Committee (CPR), which guides and advises the Comprehensive Plan Adoption process. This committee meets, as needed, Fridays following the Council Meetings. Thus far, the CPR has met seven times. The committee has approved the Public Involvement Plan and will meet, as documents are needed for comment prior to the presentation to the Council. At times meetings will be cancelled in order for training opportunities. Most recently, the meeting which would have been October 11<sup>th</sup> was cancelled in order to allow members to attend a symposium hosted by 1,000 Friends of Florida "Planning Today for a Better Tomorrow: Martin County in 2070. Attendees learned about infill development, development patterns and best management practices in water conservation. The group also provided their projections for population growth from now until 2070.

At the September 13, 2018 Village Council meeting, staff conducted the first of a series of Listening Sessions in order to obtain broad policies which will serve as a framework for the adoption of the Village of Indiantown's Comprehensive Plan. It is important to note that this session was a kickoff for a series upcoming public meeting to be held in neighborhoods throughout Indiantown to learn their desires of how the Village of Indiantown will develop over the next 20 years. Once adopted, the Village's Comprehensive Plan will be on a regular schedule for the Evaluation and Appraisal Review (EAR), which is typically every 7 years. The purpose of the EAR is for the municipality to determine whether the need exists to amend the Comprehensive Plan to comply with state requirements, which may have changed since adoption or the last EAR based amendment of the Comprehensive Plan.

The input from the first meeting indicated that some questions should be broken down into additional questions to get a clearer view of what the community wants. One example was the question about Indiantown's biggest need. Forty six percent (46%) stated that there were not enough places to work, which was nearly equal to the number of participants who believed there were not enough places to live or forty three percent (43%). In this case, it was recommended that the question be further explored with follow up questions about what types of jobs are needed. With regard to water and sewer services, a majority of those polled were not satisfied with their current water and wastewater services at sixty eight percent (68%). A follow up question should be asked to determine if the dissatisfaction is due to lack of service or level of service for the utility.

The next report to be provided by staff will include an analysis of population data and projections for population growth. Staff will draft a report and present at an upcoming CPR meeting for feedback, which will ultimately be presented to the Council for their consideration.