

Appendix B

Entities that Coordinate with the Pinellas County Government

MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS WITHIN PINELLAS COUNTY:

Town of Belleair, City of Belleair Beach, City of Belleair Bluffs, Town of Belleair Shore, City of Clearwater, City of Dunedin, City of Gulfport, City of Indian Rocks Beach, Town of Indian Shores, Town of Kenneth City, City of Largo, Town of North Redington Beach, City of Oldsmar, City of Pinellas Park, Town of Redington Beach, Town of Redington Shores, City of Safety Harbor, City of Seminole, City of South Pasadena, City of St. Petersburg, City of St. Pete Beach, City of Tarpon Springs, City of Treasure Island.

***Brief Description:** Municipal Governments are corporate and political entities which perform functions and render services relative to the health, convenience, and general welfare of the municipal community.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and County Departments with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Future Land Use planning requires Interlocal Agreements with Clearwater, Dunedin, Largo, Pinellas Park, Safety Harbor, St. Petersburg, and Tarpon Springs regarding creation of joint planning areas and planning authority. (Pinellas County Planning Department)
- Formal and Informal Information Exchange regarding coordination and support with Geographic Information Systems (GIS) database products. (Pinellas County Planning Department; Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners Information Systems)
- Proposed municipal Comprehensive Plan amendments are reviewed by the County Local Planning Agency. (Pinellas County Planning Department)
- Proposed amendments to Future Land Use Map are provided to adjacent governments for information and review. (Pinellas County Planning Department)
- Informal workshops to achieve multi jurisdictional goals; e.g. population projections and telecommunications. (Pinellas County Planning Department)
- Proposed County and municipal map amendments to the Countywide Future Land Use Plan must be approved by the Countywide Planning Authority (Pinellas Planning Department)
- Transportation issues require coordination countywide through representation on the various MPO committees. (Pinellas County Public Works; Pinellas County Planning Department)
- To protect natural, historic and cultural resources, agreements to enforce Habitat Management and Landscape Ordinance in certain municipalities have been made. (Pinellas County Environmental Management, Building and Development Review)
- Interlocal Agreement with the City of St. Petersburg to review applications requesting Pinellas County Historic Property ad valorem tax exemption (Pinellas County Building and Development Review Services)

- Coastal Management requires coordinated beach renourishment programs throughout the County through a Funding Agreement. (Pinellas County Public Works)
- The County is responsible for developing and maintaining comprehensive Emergency Plans for all potential hazards and coordinates these plans with all municipalities as required by F.S. 252.38 (Pinellas County Emergency Management)
- Cooperation Agreements with the following municipalities to undertake or assist in undertaking essential housing and community development activities pursuant to Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Programs for the benefit of residents of the municipalities and unincorporated areas of the County: Tarpon Springs, Dunedin, Belleair, Indian Rocks Beach, Seminole, Indian Shores, Redington Beach, Madeira Beach, South Pasadena, St. Petersburg Beach, Gulfport, Kenneth City, Pinellas Park, Safety Harbor, and Oldsmar. (Pinellas County Community Development Department)
- Cooperation Agreements with the cities of Clearwater and Largo to undertake or assist in undertaking affordable housing activities pursuant to the HOME Investment Partnership Act. (Pinellas County Community Development Department)
- Interlocal Agreement for building inspection service with Indian Shores and Indian Rocks Beach. (Pinellas County Building Department)
- Agreements with Madeira Beach, St. Pete Beach, Indian Shores, and Clearwater at beach access parks (regarding lifeguards or parking meter revenue, etc.) (Pinellas County Park Department)
- Agreements for joint land purchases and Interlocal Agreements with the City of Largo (Largo Narrows), South Pasadena (South Pasadena Tract), Clearwater (Cooper's Point) (Pinellas County Real Estate Division)
- Provision of regional passive parks and open space (Pinellas County Park Department)
- Provision of sewer service through Interlocal Agreement to Belleair, Belleair Beach, Belleair Bluffs, Belleair Shores, Indian Rocks Beach, Indian Shores, Kenneth City, Madeira Beach, North Redington Beach, Pinellas Park, Redington Beach, Redington Shores, and Seminole (Pinellas County Utilities)
- Provision of reclaimed water through Interlocal Agreement to St. Petersburg Beach, South Pasadena, and Pinellas Park; and beach communities. (Pinellas County Utilities)
- Water is supplied through Interlocal Agreement (either wholesale or retail) to multiple municipalities in the County (Pinellas County Utilities)
- Disposal of solid waste countywide per Charter authority (Pinellas County Utilities)
- Interlocal Agreement (1994) with all the cities, FDOT, and Pinellas Park Water Management District providing for joint control of pollutants from public or private lands within respective jurisdictions. (Pinellas County Public Works)

- Interlocal Agreements with the municipalities and other agencies for joint planning and construction, etc. of surface water management facilities and plans. (Pinellas County Public Works)
- NPDES Coordination Committee, comprised of County, municipal, FDOT, and PPWMD representatives towards goal of preparing, submitting, and implementing NPDES application and permit. (Pinellas County Planning Department; Pinellas County Public Works; Pinellas County Environmental Management)
- Informal Information Exchange (ongoing) between the County and adjacent cities regarding surface water management science and technology (Pinellas County Planning Department; Pinellas County Public Works; Pinellas County Environmental Management)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

ADJACENT COUNTY GOVERNMENTS:

Hillsborough County, Manatee County, and Pasco County

***Brief Description:** County Government*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Future Land Use; Transportation; Coastal Management; Natural, Historic and Cultural Resources; Intergovernmental Coordination; Surface Water Management; Housing; and Potable Water Supply. Amendments to Future Land Use Map (FLUM) are reviewed by adjacent and affected counties. (Pinellas County Planning Department)
- Participation on Regional MPO committee (Pinellas County Planning Department)
- Membership and participation in Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council, (Tampa Bay Water: Hillsborough and Pasco), and associated committees. (Pinellas County Planning Department)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

COUNTY WIDE PLANNING AGENCIES:

Pinellas Planning Council (PPC)

***Brief Description:** The Mission of the Pinellas Planning Council, as the advisory board to the Countywide Planning Authority (CPA), is to establish a representative forum for countywide land use planning that provides for overall policy direction, plan consistency, interagency coordination, and technical assistance in furtherance of a coherent, efficient and effective countywide land use planning process.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Under requirements of Chapter 88-464, Laws of Florida, Consistency Program - County participated in the PPC consistency program to standardize nomenclature and definitions of future land use categories. Ongoing review of Future Land Use Map amendments. (Pinellas County Planning Department)
- The County is a member of the Planners Advisory Committee which provides a countywide forum for coordination in land use planning (Pinellas County Planning Department)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Pinellas County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

Brief Description: *The Metropolitan Planning Organization is responsible for development and maintenance of a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process and development of: (1) A multi-modal long range plan, (2) A five-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) consistent with the long range plans, (3) A Congestion Management System, (4) Related planning studies and project development activities deemed necessary to assist in addressing area transportation issues. A Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) reviews the technical adequacy of transportation proposals made to the MPO. In addition, a Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC) provides citizen input into the transportation planning process. Chapter 163, Part I and Part VII, F.S.; Chapter 20.53, F.S.; and Chapter 120.53, F.S.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- The County participates as a member of several MPO committees (e.g., Technical Coordinating Committee). In addition, County Commissioners serve on the MPO Policy Board. (Pinellas County Public Works; Pinellas County Planning Department)
- County and Municipalities coordinate on an informal basis-Growth & Population Projections (Pinellas County Planning Department)
- The County provides planning staff to the MPO through a Staff Services Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners and the MPO. (Pinellas County Planning Department)
- The County participates on the TCC as Roadway Level of Service conditions are developed and agreed to each year. (Pinellas County Planning Department)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCIES:

Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (TBRPC)

Brief Description: *Coordination with State; adoption and maintenance of a Strategic Regional Policy Plan (SRPP); review and comment on applications and development orders for Developments of Regional Impact, and reviews development orders issued by local governments. The TBRPC also acts as the administrative clearinghouse for District VIII and serves as the Area Agency on aging for District V. The TBRPC coordinates bay management as the administrator of the Agency on Bay Management, and maintains a regional role in the resolution of regional problems concerning housing, economic development, natural resources, disaster preparedness, and transportation.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Under Chapter 186, F.S.; Regional Interlocal Agreement among the member counties and municipalities; and Chapter 163, Part II, F.S., to review comprehensive plans to assure consistency with SRPP. Review and coordination of Developments of Regional Impact (DRI) are provided. The County also participates in IC and R review, Regional Planner's Advisory Committee, Agency on Bay Management, etc. (Pinellas County Planning Department; Pinellas County Environmental Management; Pinellas County Building and Development Review Services)
- Coordinates regional natural disaster planning. Meeting with local emergency managers. Also, works with U.S. Coast Guard on oil disasters. Coordinates regional emergency medical team. (Pinellas County Emergency Management; Pinellas County Public Works)
- Pursuant to legislative requirements, TBRC coordinates the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), which acts as the repository for District VIII SARA Title information regarding hazardous materials. (Pinellas County Emergency Management; Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services; Pinellas County Fire Administration)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICTS:

Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD)

Brief Description: *Manage water and water-related resource through regulation and management activities.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Under Chapter 373, F.S., SWFWMD reviews all Comprehensive Plan amendments.

- Informal coordination on various plan development (e.g., Integrated Plan, RWSP, CWM, etc.) (Pinellas County Planning Department; Pinellas County Utilities; Pinellas County Environmental Management; Pinellas County Public Works)
- Surface Water Improvement and Management Program (SWIM) and Pinellas Anclote (PA) Basin Board cooperative, funding projects for habitat restoration, environmental education, conservation initiatives, etc., through Interlocal Agreements. (Pinellas County Public Works; Pinellas County Utilities; Pinellas County Planning Department; Pinellas County Environmental Management)
- Land acquisition and management agreements (Pinellas County Park Department; Pinellas County Environmental Management; Pinellas County General Services)
- Informal Exchange between the County and regulatory agencies regarding surface water management science and technology. Surface water permitting (Pinellas County Public Works; Pinellas County Environmental Management; Pinellas County Development Review Services.)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Pinellas Park Water Management District (PPWMD)

Brief Description: *Special district to manage the primary drainage system for a portion of unincorporated Pinellas County and the City of Pinellas Park.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Special district annual reporting requirements, per Chapter 189.4031, F.S. (Pinellas County Planning Department)
- Surface Water Management involves an Interlocal Agreement regarding joint control of pollutants per NPDES program. (Pinellas County Public Works)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Tampa Bay Water

Brief Description: *Tampa Bay Water, formerly known as West Coast Regional Water Supply Authority, was formed by interlocal agreement for the purpose of developing, storing and supplying water for county or municipal purposes in such a manner as to give priority to reducing adverse environmental effects of excessive or improper withdrawals of water from concentrated areas. Responsibilities include the design, construction, operation and maintenance of potable water facilities for Pinellas Hillsborough, and Pasco counties. Tampa Bay Water owns well fields, and is responsible for developing alternative water supplies to meet needs of local government utilities.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments with Primary Coordinating responsibilities:

- The County is a member government of Tampa Bay Water and participates in decision-making and funding related to existing and future water supply. (Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners, Pinellas County Planning Department, Pinellas County Utilities)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Fire Districts: Palm Harbor Special Fire Control District, Lealman Fire District, Eastlake Fire District, Pinellas Suncoast Fire District

Brief Description: Established to provide fire control

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Chapter 61-2661 and 1954, Laws of Florida. Special District Reporting requirements pursuant to Chapter 189, F.S. <Pinellas County Department of Emergency Management; Pinellas County Medical Services and Fire Administration; Pinellas County Planning Department>

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU)

Brief Description: Established by three unincorporated areas of Pinellas County to provide recreational facilities.

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Provision of recreational facilities for the Greater Seminole Area (established in 1980), the Palm Harbor Special Recreation District (established in 1985), and the Feather Sound Taxing District (established in 1990). (Pinellas County Planning Department; Pinellas County Park Department; Pinellas County Office of Management and Budget)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Housing Finance Authority of Pinellas County

Brief Description: Co. Resolution 8/17/65; Ch 421, F.S. Created to alleviate shortage of affordable housing for low, moderate, and middle income households in the County.

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Tax-exempt bonds to finance provision of housing (Pinellas County Community Development Department)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County (JWB)

Brief Description: The JWB funds the delivery of services through other community agencies. Included in these tasks are service functions in the areas of: adoption, child and spouse abuse, counseling, day care, family life education, financial counseling, homemaker services, information and referrals, juvenile delinquency, mental health, mental retardation, residential treatment, runaway shelter, substance abuse prevention, truancy prevention, and volunteer recruitment. The tasks assigned the JWB include: planning, evaluating, coordinating, and funding services, addressing public issues related to children, and providing technical support to child-serving agencies and the community at large.

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Special district reporting requirements, pursuant to Chapter 189.4031, F.S. and Chapter 1945, Section 23.483, Laws of Florida. (Pinellas County health and Human Services)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Special district reporting requirements, pursuant to Chapter 189.4031, F.S. and Chapter 1945, section 23,483, Laws of Florida.<Pinellas County Planning Department>

Effectiveness of Coordination: Average

Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA)

Brief Description: The PSTA offers public transportation service to all of Pinellas County, except for Belleair Beach, Belleair Shores, Kenneth City, St. Petersburg Beach, and Treasure Island. The PSTA is funded through Federal and state assistance, user fees, and property tax proceeds.

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- County staff participate in Technical Advisory Group activities. (Pinellas County Planning Department)
- Pinellas County coordinates with PSTA through the site plan review process. Site plan projects affected by concurrency management provisions sometimes involve the implementation of transit improvements such as bus shelters and connecting sidewalks.

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Tampa Bay Commuter Rail Authority

***Brief Description:** To meet the public transportation needs of the people of Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas, and Polk Counties by providing commuter rail and ferry systems in a cost effective way.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Special district reporting requirements, pursuant to Chapter 189.4031, F.S. and Chapter 1945, Section 23,483, Laws of Florida; also Section 343.74, F.S. (Pinellas County Planning Department)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Agency currently inactive. The functions have been assumed by local MPOs in the Tampa Bay area.

UTILITIES

Electric Companies: Progress Energy Corporation, Tampa Electric Company

***Brief Description:** To coordinate utility plans, and site plan review regarding the patterns of growth and location of service lines, and to coordinate construction of utilities and roads.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Information Exchange associated with utility location and site planning. Membership on PAC to develop recommendations to Pinellas County on growth management and land development regulations, and development review procedures.(Pinellas County Utilities; Pinellas County Public Works; Pinellas County Development Review Services)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Telecommunications Companies

Brief Description: *To coordinate the location and construction of towers for providing communication services.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Information exchange with County and municipalities on tower locations and regulatory techniques on appropriate locations for towers. (Pinellas County Planning Department)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Average

Cable Television Companies

Brief Description: *Provision of cable television service.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Information Exchange associated with utility location and site. (Pinellas County Utilities; Pinellas County Public Works; Pinellas County Building and Development Review Services; Pinellas County Planning Department)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Average

Gas Companies: Clearwater Gas Service, Peoples Gas System, Inc.

Brief Description: *To coordinate utility plans, County plans, and site plan review regarding the patterns of growth and location of service lines, and to coordinate construction of utilities and roads.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities: (Regulated by the Public Service Commission)

- Information Exchange associated with utility location and site planning. (Pinellas County Utilities; Pinellas County Public Works; Pinellas County Building and Development Review Services)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Average

HOUSING AUTHORITIES

Pinellas County Housing Authority, Clearwater Housing Authority, Dunedin Housing Authority, St. Petersburg Housing Authority, and Housing Authority of Tarpon Springs

***Brief Description:** Public Housing Authorities are non-profit corporations created in the 1960's to develop, manage, and maintain low rent housing assistance programs for low income families and elderly citizens of Pinellas County. They are primarily with resident rents and federal subsidies and have combined total housing stock of approximately 3,300 units. The Housing Authorities participate in numerous government assistance programs, including certificates and voucher programs.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Informal sharing of information. (Pinellas County Community Development Department; Pinellas County Planning Department)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Pinellas County School Board

***Brief Description:** The School Board is responsible for establishing the policy for all of Pinellas County's schools, hiring school personnel, and authorizing the construction of new buildings and issuance of bonds, when needed, for construction. The School Board is also responsible for determining the rate of school district taxes within prescribed limits.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Title XVI - Education, Chapter 228, F.S. , 235, F.S.
- The School Board coordinates with the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners and municipal governments in regard to bond issues and works closely with the Pinellas County Legislative Delegation to set priorities and goals related to education for the State legislative sessions. In matters of safety and discipline, the School Board cooperates with local police departments. Interlocal agreement regarding coordination in the siting of public schools.
- Assist in generating school population projections. Development and implementation of Public School Facilities Element and school concurrency. (Pinellas County Planning Department)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

STATE OF FLORIDA AGENCIES THAT COORDINATE WITH PINELLAS COUNTY

Department of Transportation (FDOT)

Brief Description: *The mission of the Florida Department of Transportation is to provide a safe, interconnected statewide transportation system for Florida's citizens and visitors that ensures the mobility of people and goods, while enhancing economic prosperity and sustaining the quality of the environment. The FDOT provides funding for transportation improvements including roads, transit, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, etc.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Future Land Use, Transportation, Natural, Historic and Cultural Resources, Coastal Management, Housing, Recreation and Open Space, Sanitary Sewer, Water Supply, Surface Water Management, Capital Improvements and Intergovernmental Coordination: review of Comprehensive Plan Amendments. (Pinellas County Public Works; Pinellas County Planning Department)
- Preparation of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and the Transportation Improvements Program (TIP), concurrency management planning. (Pinellas County Planning Department (As staff to the MPO)
- Lease agreement between FDOT and the BCC for the Pinellas Trail property. (Pinellas County Park Department)
- NPDES co-permittee (Pinellas County Public Works)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP)

Brief Description: *Environmental regulation, grant programming, education, etc.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Future Land Use, Transportation, Natural, Historic and Cultural Resources, Coastal Management, Recreation and Open Space, Sanitary Sewer, Water Supply, Surface Water Management, and Intergovernmental Coordination review of Comprehensive Plan Amendments (Pinellas County Environmental Management; Pinellas County Planning Department; Pinellas County Park Department; Pinellas County Public Works)
- 50 year lease in place with the Board of County Commissioners to manage and operate the Weedon Island Preserve.

- Agreement through Pinellas County Real Estate Department for joint land purchase on the Gateway Tract.
- FDEP is involved as a permitting and review agency (Pinellas County Public Works)
- Air Quality - Coordinate with and support the Transportation Conformity State Implementation Plan (SIP) and delegated authority from the State of Florida and the U.S. EPA to administer the local air quality program; Stormwater regulation; water quality regulation; point source discharge regulation. (Pinellas County Environmental Management; Pinellas County Public Works)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Department of Community Affairs (DCA)

Brief Description: *Serves as the state land planning agency and the state agency for advising the Governor on improving the Criminal Justice System. DCA reviews comprehensive plans for the 11 regional planning councils and approves local government plans, pursuant to the Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development Regulation Act, Chapter 163, Part II, F.S. DCA also checks for consistency of local regional and state comprehensive plans and emergency Comprehensive Plans and amendments. It is also responsible for defining and responding to problems in the areas of housing, community development, and building codes and standards.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Future Land Use, Transportation, Natural, Historic and Cultural Resources, Coastal Management, Housing, Recreation and Open Space, Sanitary Sewer, Water Supply, Surface Water Management, Public School Facilities, Capital Improvements and Intergovernmental Coordination: Chapter 163, Part II, F.S., the Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development Regulation Act; Chapter 20.18, F.S.(Pinellas County Planning Department)
- Proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments review. Long range planning, concurrency management planning. Natural Disaster Planning - Division of Emergency Management is responsible for statewide preparedness and necessary activities. (Pinellas County Planning Department)
- Community Services Block Grant Agreement for funding under the Community Services Block Grant Act of 1981 (PL 97-35), as amended, and the Community Service Block Grant Program Rule Chapter 9B-22, F.A.C. Funding is for the Five Percent Local Government Share Program and is to be used to provide services and activities having measurable and potentially major impact on the causes of poverty in the community including activities assisting low income participants to attain an adequate education. National Flood Insurance Program authorized by federal legislation (delegated by FEMA). (Pinellas County Planning Department; Pinellas County Emergency Management Department; Pinellas County

Community Development Department; Pinellas County Public Works; Pinellas County Building Department)

Effectiveness of Coordination: good

Department of Education (DOE)

Brief Description: *The Department develops comprehensive objectives and policies for public education and is responsible for the efficient operation of all phases of public education, including school code enforcement. Four separate divisions, each with respective boards, oversee the operation of public and private educational institutions from primary through the university system including the Florida School for the blind and deaf.*

- **Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:**
- Future Land Use, Transportation. (Pinellas County Planning Department)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Department of Children and Family Services

Brief Description: *Administers programs in the areas of health, mental health, retardation, youth services, children's medical services, social and economic services, and aging and adult services.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Standard contract to administer the State Grant-in-Aid program locally on behalf of the Pinellas County Coalition for the Homeless. The purpose of the grant is to provide funds for programs that assist the homeless or help to prevent homelessness (Pinellas County Community Development Department)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Florida Housing Finance Agency (FHFA)

Brief Description: *Pinellas County Ordinance 93-30 created the Housing Assistance Trust Fund and authorized participation in the State Housing Initiatives Program (SHIP) pursuant to the William E. Sadowski Affordable Housing Act of 1992, as amended, and codified in section 420.907-420.9079, F.S. The purpose of this state program is to provide local governments with funds and guidelines for creation of partnerships to produce and preserve affordable housing. Funding is continued by approval by FHFA of the local one- to three-year Housing Assistance Plan (HAP).*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Policies are directed to providing for new housing units in a variety of types, sizes, locations and costs, by providing information and technical assistance to development community, and other agencies to meet housing needs on unincorporated Pinellas County. (Pinellas County Community Development Department)
- Helps county to preserve and extend the life of the existing housing stock in unincorporated Pinellas County and cooperating cities by targeting the Federal Community Block Grant and Home and State SHIP funds. (Pinellas County Community Development Department)
- Provide incentives and encourage provision of housing affordable to Very Low, Low, and Moderate Income households, including households with special needs, through public private and joint ventures. (Pinellas County Community Development Department)
- Supports the provision of additional rental housing for Very Low and Low Income households. Establishes the utilization of resources to provide down payment and financial assistance programs to serve Very Low, Low and some Moderate income households. (Pinellas County Community Development Department, Pinellas County Housing Finance Authority)

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Executive Office of the Governor

Brief Description: *Prepares the annual executive budget and legislative agenda for the Governor and reviews state agency plans and programs. This task includes the preparation, development, and revision of the State comprehensive plan. The office provides representation for various groups through: the Commission on Advocacy for Persons with Developmental Disabilities, the Migrant Labor Program, the Commission on Hispanic Affairs, and the Governor's Council on Indian Affairs.*

Effectiveness of Coordination: Good

Department of State (DOS)

Brief Description: *The Florida Department of State is comprised of the following divisions: Administration, Corporations, Cultural Affairs, Elections, Library Services, Licensing, and Historic Resources. The Department is the official repository of the record of the State government, including all laws passed by the State Legislature. Review of Comprehensive Plan Amendments.*

Examples of Existing Coordinating Mechanisms and Departments' with Primary Coordinating Responsibilities:

- Pinellas County is working with the Division of Historical Resources of the Florida Department of State on a Florida Main Street revitalization program for the Palm Harbor area.

Effectiveness of Coordination: Average