



# City of Frostproof

## Summary of Major Issues

The following is a summary of the major issues that were presented at the EAR Public Workshop on February 21<sup>st</sup> at the Ramon Theatre. Some of these issues will be considered when preparing the City's Evaluation and Appraisal Report. Many of the issues presented may not be considered as major growth related issues but are of equal importance to share with the City.

### Transportation

Do you have any concerns with the highways, streets, sidewalks, trails or streetlights in the City?

- ✓ Widen Scenic Highway 17 and Highway 630 to 4 lanes.
- ✓ Request the Florida Department of Transportation to conduct a traffic study in the City to determine where new traffic signals are needed and where new streets may be considered.
- ✓ Increase street lighting in residential and business areas and add a streetlight on T.S Wilson Road. Sidewalks are also needed throughout the City.
- ✓ The number of handicapped parking spaces required by the land development code should be reviewed to determine if businesses have adequate
- ✓ handicapped parking spaces.

Are you satisfied with the public transportation in your City?

- ✓ The bus schedules and bus stop locations for the Winter Haven Area Transit (W.H.A.T) should be posted on the City's website and made readily available to the public.
- ✓ There should be more bus service in the City that makes less frequent stops. Bus service should also be made available for the residents living in the outlying areas.

### Housing

Are there any housing issues in the City that are a concern to you?

- ✓ There is a need for more code enforcement in the City to maintain safe and decent housing and building structures. The City should remove substandard housing and buildings.

What other types of housing would you like to see in your City?

- ✓ There is a need for more single family homes and townhomes. New housing developments should be made affordable for young families, disabled and elderly residents and citrus workers.
- ✓ The City should support plans for growth to allow more diverse housing projects. The City should promote low density residential developments.

## Infrastructure

Do you have any concerns with the City's water system and or the sewer system? Do you have any issues with stormwater drainage or flooding?

- ✓ Many areas in the City have drainage problems when it rains, that includes Sunset & Palm Street. The City needs to expand its sewer system and consider lowering the cost to connect to water & sewer.
- ✓ The City should resurface the roads and streets by the train tracks.

## Conservation

What concerns do you have with the protection of natural resources? (Including: lakes, rivers, wild life, habitat, and wetlands)

- ✓ Lake Clinch should be restored and treated to allow a beach recreation area, the torpedo grass is taking over the lake.
- ✓ The City should make sure that Lake Reedy is not being dumped into by businesses.
- ✓ The City should lessen the development restrictions for land that contains wetlands, more information about the development restrictions should be shared with the public.
- ✓ The lakes in Frostproof are a prime asset for the City and more should be done to restore the beachfronts

## Recreation and Open Space

Are the parks and recreation facilities adequate?

- ✓ The recreation facilities in the City should be updated or renovated, this includes the parks and playground equipment.
- ✓ There is a need for a swimming pool, soccer field, baseball field, and racquetball courts.
- ✓ Frostproof needs more recreation facilities for teenagers to go to in the evening.
- ✓ The Henderson & Dunham Field should be developed. The City should renovate the old high school and bathroom facilities are needed at the park.
- ✓ Lake Clinch should be restored and cleaned up to allow recreational swimming and water activities.

## Future Land Use

Do you have any concerns about the future land uses planned for your City? Do you have any issues with the City's zoning and development regulations? If so please explain.

- ✓ The City needs to revise its land development code, retain open space/rural City atmosphere while providing more affordable rental housing.

- ✓ The City should not allow developers to ruin the character of the City.

### **Additional Comments**

Are there any historic or cultural resources in the City you would like to see preserved? Please identify and list the location of these resources.

- ✓ Preserve historic resources like the old high school and Frostproof's Women's Club.
- ✓ Preserve the Heritage of Frostproof.
- ✓ Keep the Scenic Highway Scenic, roof tops, concrete & strips malls are not scenic.

What do you like best about your community?

- ✓ Frostproof is a small, quiet, rural community, relatively safe with good schools, with beautiful lakes, and citizens that care.

What would you like your City to look like 10 years from now?

- ✓ Charming village centers with restaurants and mixed use housing.
- ✓ Just like it is now, or 50 years ago.

What do you want to change about your community?

- ✓ Reduce crime and drugs, increase safety and add more police presence.

### **Additional Issues:**

- ✓ The City should focus on cleaning up the center of town to make it more scenic for tourists.
- ✓ The City should do something about the junk yard at the corner of Scenic Highway 17 and Highway 630.
- ✓ Growth is needed in order for Frostproof to be financially sound, the City needs to support development that will increase its economic base.