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I did not find the opportunity to comment on the New Horizon 2035: Designing the Future -- Land Use, so I am providing the following for consideration.

While I am in general agreement with the plan, I am concerned about the Palm Beach Blvd. corridor east of I-75. While the majority of the area off of Palm Beach Blvd should retain its rural characteristics, I don't see that this is feasible for the development along the blvd. Many of the current structures are generally rundown and in disrepair. Creating (actually retaining and upgrading) a controlled retail environment along this stretch (extending to the south of Buckingham) would help reduce traffic that would otherwise be going to retail establishments elsewhere. It would create more of a sense of a local village and would greatly upgrade the eastern gateway to Fort Myers.

I would also suggest that flexibility should be maintained in the overall plan to allow for unforeseen opportunities and circumstances. Becoming **too** rigid can lead to being forced into poor decisions that nobody really wishes to make.

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