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Interim Secretary of State
DIVISION OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES

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Mr. Ray Eubanks
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Re: Historic Preservation Review of the Collier County Evaluation and Appraisal Report

Dear Mr. Eubanks:

According to this agency's responsibilities under Section 163, *Florida Statutes*, and Chapter 9J-5, *Florida Administrative Code*, we reviewed the above document. Our cursory review indicates that historic resources are addressed in the Countywide Assessment of various elements within the Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR), but not specifically addressed as Major Issues.

In the Countywide Assessment, Policy 3.5 of the Housing Element addresses the Old Naples area and the protection and preservation of the residential character. This policy has not yet been achieved, but remains relevant. The recommendation is to add a due date so as to make this policy measureable. Objective 5 of this element goes into more depth regarding historic resources and indicates that the county and City of Naples will monitor all identified significant historic resources annually to ensure that these resources are being maintained. This objective is proposed to be retained, along with implementing policies. Implementing policies include maintaining significant historic structures by means of the provision of technical assistance; the review of land development regulations to encourage protection and preservation of historic structures; local designation of significant resources; and potential incentives to encourage preservation of historic housing. The last policy has not yet been achieved as incentives to maintain and rehabilitate historic homes have not been adopted.

In the Conservation and Coastal Management Element assessment, Objective 11.1 addresses the protection of both archaeological sites and historic properties in the county. Implementing policies considered relevant and to be retained include the continued enforcement of development regulations; no loss of historic or archaeological resources on county-owned property and protection of resources on private property; and fortuitous finds during construction activities and the appropriate measures to ensure assessment and evaluation of the resource, including preservation if appropriate. We note that in Policy 11.1.2.c, mention is made of the excavation of archaeological resources by the Division of Historical Resources. This agency does not conduct excavations on private property.

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In the Future Land Use Element, Policy 3.1.h. regarding Land Development Regulations, provides for the protection of historically significant properties, and lists the various means for protection of these properties. This policy is proposed to be retained.

Our cursory review suggests that no major changes are proposed for the protection and preservation of significant archaeological sites and historic properties.

If you have any questions regarding our comments, please feel free to contact Susan M. Harp of the Division's Compliance Review staff at 850.245.6333.

Sincerely,

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