

# Cutler Bay Green Master Plan

## 2018 - 2022

*Taking Community Sustainability to the Next Level*



Objective C-11: The Town will continually seek opportunities for public acquisition of additional areas for nature preserves and passive open spaces to expand the opportunities for conservation and increase public appreciation of natural habitats within the community. (GMP)

Policy C-11A: The Town will pursue available grant opportunities for preservation of natural areas. (GMP)

Policy CM-1G: Wherever low-grade wetlands are degraded or destroyed, a wetland within the Town with an equal or greater amount of habitat value shall be created or restored, maintained and monitored for three years or until such time as a viable self-perpetuating wetland habitat is established. Created habitats shall be perpetually maintained free of invasive exotic vegetation. Habitats of endangered or threatened species shall not be degraded or destroyed. (GMP)

**Objective CM-1: Protect, conserve and enhance coastal wetlands and living marine resources within the coastal area of the Town of Cutler Bay. (GMP)**

Policy CM-1A: The Town of Cutler Bay will limit the impacts of development and redevelopment upon wetlands, water quality, water quantity, wildlife habitat and living marine resources through the development review process. (GMP)

Policy CM-1C: Consistent with the Miami-Dade County Comprehensive Development Master Plan, coastal mangroves and scrub forests within and adjacent to Biscayne National Park shall be designated as "Mangrove Protection Areas". In these areas, no cutting, trimming, pruning or other alteration of mangrove shall be permitted except for purposes of surveying or for public natural resource maintenance and/or enhancement projects. (GMP)

Policy CM-1E: Where shoreline access is to be provided through Mangrove Protection Areas, elevated boardwalks, designed to minimize the impact of on wetland vegetation, shall be utilized. (GMP)

Policy CM-1F: Where development or redevelopment is to occur, mangrove forest, coastal hammock or other natural vegetative communities shall be maintained, protected, and incorporated into landscape plans. (GMP)

Policy CM-1H: Replanting of mangroves and marsh grasses shall be used, as appropriate, to enhance parks and other public or semi-public areas along the coastline. (GMP)

Policy CM-4D: The Town shall minimize the disturbance of natural shorelines that provide stabilization and protect landward areas from storm impacts. (GMP)

SAC Goal #5 - Objective: Foster more Community pride as it relates to cleanliness and an overall sense of community. Activity: 1. Identify ways to preserve existing natural lands (i.e., wetlands, bird sanctuaries) by possibly encouraging volunteer cleanup and maintenance efforts. (SMP)

Floodplain Action: Protect the natural floodplain functions within the Town including the Cutler Wetlands. (FMMP)

## **Element 5. Green Buildings and Development**

Policy C-12E: The Town will include requirements in the Land Development Regulations that will require all buildings taller than 18 stories must be LEED certified or similar. (GMP)

Policy C-12E: All buildings and developments constructed by the Town will be LEED certified or meet similar standards. (GMP)