

**CHAPTER 5A: PORT FACILITIES GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND POLICIES
(PORT MASTER PLAN)**

((Reference 9J-5.009(1)&(2), F.A.C.)

GOAL 5A-1: PORT FACILITIES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. The Port of Key West is located within the municipal jurisdiction of the City of Key West. As such the Port shall stimulate the local economy by providing cruise ship port-of-call opportunities to meet existing and future demands.

OBJECTIVE 5A-1.1: MAINTAIN PORT CONTRIBUTION TO LOCAL ECONOMY. The Port of Key West shall develop and maintain port-of-call facilities to accommodate cruise ship passengers who contribute to retail sales and the City's economic base

Policy 5A-1.1.1: The Port shall seek additional opportunities for ship visits, focusing on high-end boutique ships.

Policy 5A-1.1.2: The Port shall plan and implement maintenance and enhancement projects to improve infrastructures at City owned facilities

Policy 5A-1.1.3: The Port will collaborate with the US Navy to improve infrastructure at the City leased facility at the Outer Mole Pier.

OBJECTIVE 5A-1.2: MAINTAIN PORT CONTRIBUTION TO CITY OF KEY WEST GENERAL FUND. The Port of Key West shall actively seek opportunities to enhance the City's desirability as a port-of-call, which provides revenue to the City's General Fund balance.

Policy 5A-1.2.1: The Port shall pursue opportunities to safely and legally reduce the cost of providing transportation and security for cruise ships, thereby increasing City cruise ship revenue.

GOAL 5A-2: MINIMIZE POTENTIAL ADVERSE LAND USE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS. The Port of Key West falls within the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary. As such any future use plans will be developed in compliance with the Sanctuary's guidelines. The expansion and location of existing and new port facilities as well as the operation of the Port of Key West shall be consistent with all elements of the Comprehensive Plan and in a manner which minimizes the potential adverse environmental impacts as well as conflicts between the port and areas surrounding the port.

OBJECTIVE 5A-2.1: PORT COMPLIANCE WITH SANCTUARY REGULATIONS. The City, working with federal, and state governmental agencies shall ensure the protection of the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary.

Policy 5A-2.1.1. The Port shall ensure cruise ships are in strict compliance with all applicable FKNMS and U.S. Coast Guard requirements while in port.

Policy 5A-2.1.2. The Port will ensure any future channel enhancements are done in coordination with all applicable federal and state environmental protection agencies.

OBJECTIVE 5A-2.2: PORT DEVELOPMENT /EXPANSION CONSISTENCY.

The City shall manage port development and expansion consistent with the Future Land Use, Coastal Management, and Conservation Elements of this Comprehensive Plan.

The City shall adopt land development regulations which include a site plan review process for managing port development. The site plan review process shall ensure that plans for port improvements are consistent with all elements of the Comprehensive Plan. Furthermore, the site plan review process shall include performance criteria that ensure land use compatibility, efficient delivery of any require public services, protection of natural resources, and sound fiscal management. The intergovernmental coordination activities shall be directed toward protecting and preserving natural resources and toward achieving and maintaining efficient intermodal transportation and delivery of public services.

No wetlands, rare or endangered plant communities or plant species of special concern shall be impacted of landward port facilities. All port facilities construction shall be undertaken in compliance with applicable Federal and state permitting procedures and shall include required mitigation measures where potential adverse land use or environmental impacts are identified in pre-construction planning.

Policy 5A-2.2.1: Site Plan Review. Upon Plan adoption, the City shall adopt objectives and policies of the Comprehensive Plan into the Land Development Regulations which require the site plans shall be prepared for all port facility improvements. Such plans shall be reviewed by the City to ensure compliance with Land Use, Conservation, and Coastal Management elements of the Comprehensive Plan as well as compliance with land development regulations governing potential adverse environmental, land use, and public facility impacts

Policy 5A-2.2.2: Port Protection from Incompatible Land Use. The Key West Port shall be protected from the encroachment of incompatible land uses thru the implementation of the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map and application of the Plan's implementing Land Development Regulations.

GOAL 5A-3: INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION. Operation and expansion of the Port of Key West shall be coordinated with all appropriate Federal and state agencies and other entities having jurisdiction over impacted resources including, but not limited to, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Navy, the U.S. Coast Guard, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the State and Federal Departments of Transportation, the State Department of Economic Opportunity, the

Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the South Florida Water Management District

OBJECTIVE 5A-3.1: COORDINATING FACILITY CONTINUITY. The Port of Key West shall coordinate with appropriate Federal and state agencies to facilitate continued availability of adequate cruise ship mooring facilities.

Policy 5A-3.1.1: Mole Pier Initiatives. The Port shall negotiate a long term agreement with the U.S. Navy to lease the Outer Mole Pier for cruise ship mooring. The agreement shall include the opportunity to make improvements to the facility and a maintenance clause for the pier.

Policy 5A-3.1.2: Mallory Square Initiatives: The Port shall pursue a Sovereignty Submerged Lands Renewal agreement with the State to gain control over the bay bottom at Mallory Square to facilitate additional revenue making opportunities at the facility.

Policy 5A-3.1.3: City Commission Initiatives: The City Commission shall meet with its legislative and congressional delegations to enlist support for port improvements cited in the Port Master Plan and in the Capital Improvement Program.

OBJECTIVE 5A-3.2: COORDINATING FACILITY SECURITY. The Port shall implement needed security improvements to reduce risk to ships and passengers and improve the overall security posture at City owned or controlled facilities.

Policy 5A-3.2.1: Improvements to Physical Security: The Port shall coordinate with the U.S. Navy to enhance security capabilities at the Outer Mole and Mallory Square facilities thru Federal and state grants.