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MEGRATH APPOINTED TO NATIONAL PLANNING POLICY COMMITTEE

Allison D. Megrath, AICP, President and Principal Planner at **Land Planning Solutions, Inc.** has been appointed to the American Planning Association's (APA) Small Town and Rural Planning's Division (STaR) Policy Committee. This national appointment was confirmed by the STaR Executive Committee earlier this month. Megrath will hold the position with four other planners selected from across the United States.



The STaR Policy Committee is responsible for recommending Division position statements, monitoring legislation or other policy matters, responding to APA Policy proposals, and recommending strategy to advocate for legislation that promotes sound planning in small town and rural areas on a national level. The most immediate concern for the STaR Policy Committee is to develop a Division position for the National Infrastructure Investment Initiative.

For more information about STaR, please visit:

<http://www.planning.org/divisions/smalltown/index.htm>

NORTH OLGA COMMUNITY PLAN

Land Planning Solutions, Inc. continues to work with the residents of the North Olga area to develop a Community Plan. This 7,000 +/- acre area is located within north-eastern Lee County. The Community Plan area is bounded by the Charlotte County/Lee County line to the north, the Babcock Ranch Conservation 20/20 lands and the Caloosahatchee Regional Park to the east, the Caloosahatchee River to the south and SR 31 to the west.



All current information related to this project is now posted on the **Land Planning Solutions** website and will be updated from time to time. This is done in an effort to continue to reach out to the public for comment.

For more information about the North Olga Community Plan project, please visit the Land Planning Solutions website (www.landplanningsolutions.us/projects.html).

Comments about this project may be provided to us by email (allison@lpsfl.us or alexis@lpsfl.us) or by phone at 239-405-7983.

LPS ON HOMETOWN DEMOCRACY

On June 8, 2009, the Highlands County Homeowner's Association invited **Allison Megrath**, President/Principal Planner and **Alexis Crespo**, Senior Planner of **Land Planning Solutions, Inc.** to address their members and present the pros and cons of Hometown Democracy.

Both Certified Planners and the representatives of the Promised Lands Section of the Florida Chapter of the American Planning Association, Megrath (Section Chair) and Crespo (Section Activities Committee Chair) have had their ears tuned into the issue of Hometown Democracy for many years.

While attempts have been made by proponents to get the issue of Hometown Democracy on the voting ballot so that the people of Florida can decide if they want it or not, they have been made to no avail. Earlier this month, it was confirmed that enough valid signatures have been collected to put the initiative on the 2010 election ballot.

For more information about the details of Hometown Democracy,

please click: [LPS Hometown Democracy Presentation](#).

PARTNER WITH LPS ON RFQs/RFPs

Contact **Land Planning Solutions, Inc.** concerning any RFQ/RFP submittals. Our firm holds State of Florida Office of Supplier Diversity Certification as a **Woman-Owned Minority Business Enterprise (W/MBE)**. This designation often offers many additional points to an RFP response scoring by a government agency. LPS has a history of successful partnerships and believes in colleague collaboration.

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