



# NOTICE TO LANDOWNERS AND CONCERNED CITIZENS

## MARION COUNTY WILL BE HOLDING A SERIES OF WORKSHOPS ON CREATING A VISION FOR OUR COMMUNITY'S FUTURE

The Marion County Board of County Commission is beginning the process of updating the County's Comprehensive Plan. To achieve this goal, the Commission will be utilizing the "Community Visioning" process as outlined by Florida Statutes. This process will include a series of public workshops to discuss specific topics related to establishing a long term growth management plan. The purpose of these workshops is to seek community input on the "Vision" for the future of Marion County. Establishing a community vision is intended to provide direction for changes to Marion County's Comprehensive Plan. The main objective is to put in place a 10 year, financially feasible, economically and environmentally sustainable Comprehensive Plan that accurately reflects the anticipated growth and development of Marion County.

### WORKSHOP AND PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE

#### MEETING DATE

#### TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED

**March 27, 2008**

**Growth Strategies:** Visioning process; Population and growth forecasts; Land use strategies for accommodating future growth.

**April 24, 2008**

**Economic Development:** Priorities and strategies for economic development; Areas and standards for economic development opportunities and employment centers.

**May 22, 2008**

**Agriculture and Open Space; High Density and Mixed Use:** Preservation of open space; environmentally sensitive lands, and agriculture lands; Strategies to address areas and standards for mixed-use and high density commercial and residential development; and, Incentives for mixed-use development.

**June 26, 2008**

**Funding Infrastructure, Urban Service Boundary, and Changes to the Comprehensive Plan:** Facilities and services needed to accommodate growth; Financial feasibility of providing services; Designation of an urban service boundary; Proposed Future Land Use Map and specific changes to Comprehensive Plan

**August 2008**

**Planning Commission Community Vision Public Workshop**

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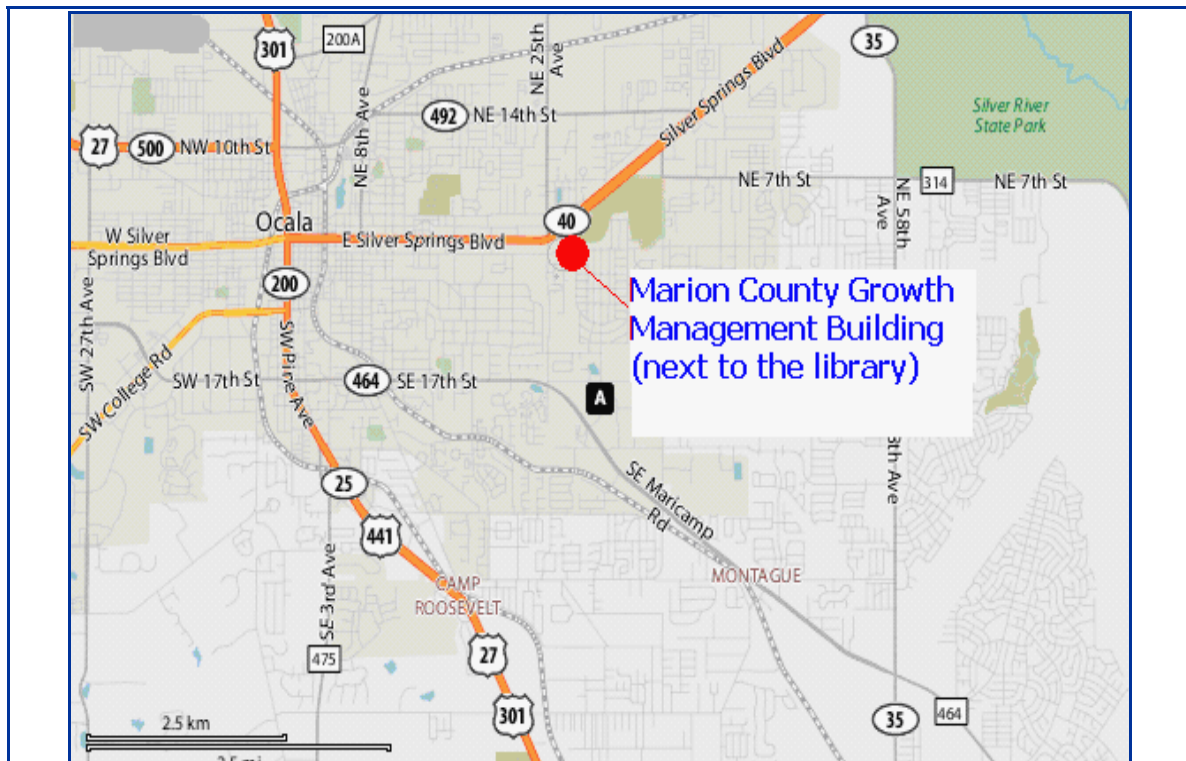
**Planning Commission Transmittal Public Hearing**

**September 2008**

**County Commission Transmittal Public Hearing**

The remaining workshops will be held at the Marion County Growth Management Building, 2710 East Silver Springs Boulevard, Ocala, Florida 34470. All meetings will begin at 6:00 P.M. **The August and September dates are tentative.** For further information please contact the Marion County Department of Planning at (352) 438-2600. Written comments may be mailed to the above address or e-mailed to [communityvision@marioncountyfl.org](mailto:communityvision@marioncountyfl.org). Information presented at the workshops will be posted on the Marion County web site [http://www.marioncountyfl.org/PL271/PL\\_home.htm](http://www.marioncountyfl.org/PL271/PL_home.htm) at the Community Visioning link under services.

### Marion County Growth Management Building Location



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YOUR COMMUNITY.  
SHARE YOUR VISION