

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Resolution Making Designations Required by OCGA 36-66-5.1(c)

DATE OF MEETING: June 27, 2023

Work Session/Regular Session

BUDGET IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE:

- Annual
- Capital
- N/A
- SPLOST
- TSPLOST

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Resolution Making Designations Required by OCGA 36-66-5.1(c)

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: Changes in State Law regarding appeals of certain land use decisions take effect on July 1, 2023. Staff plans to address these new requirements in the July 11th meeting as part of the ULDC Text amendments. The attached resolution serves as a stop gap between July 1 and July 11, allowing us to meet the requirements of the State Law, until they can be adopted as part of the larger text amendments.

Specifically, in 2022, the Georgia General Assembly passed legislation that amends the zoning procedures law by clarifying the process for challenging and appealing certain land use decisions, and codifying the appeals process that existed prior to 2017. The legislation also requires local governments to designate a local government employee to receive notice of such appeals in a location that is open at normal business hours and located within the county. The attached resolution designates those person(s) as required by OCGA 36-66-5.1.

The attached resolution has been drafted by the County Attorney's office to help address the specific applicable requirements.

OPTIONS: 1) Adopt the resolution making designations required by OCGA.
2) Redirect

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt

DEPARTMENT: Planning/Zoning

DEPARTMENT HEAD: JD Dillard

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: