

the portion being accepted is only .94 miles long of the right of way. Regarding the question Commissioner Wisenbaker asked at the work session, there is approximately under 100 acres which is able to be developed. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the request as presented, seconded by Vice Chairman Orenstein. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

**Kinderlou-Clyattville Road Paving and Drainage Improvements, TIA-P.I. 0016278 Supplemental Agreement No. 1**

Director of Engineering Services, Chad McLeod, presented the item. Mr. McLeod stated the original agreement dated 04/25/2022 with the Georgia Department of Transportation has a "not to exceed amount" of \$3,450,000.00 for the Kinderlou Clyattville Road Paving and Drainage Improvements project. Staff asked the Transportation Investment Act (TIA) office for additional funding to cover the difference between the actual cost of the project (\$4,550,000.00) and the agreement amount. After reviewing the initial TIA budget, bid amount, and projected tax collections for TIA, the TIA office has agreed to provide additional funds of \$1,100,000.00 to cover the total cost of the project. The project is complete, and the Supplemental Agreement will allow staff to invoice TIA for the final reimbursement. Commissioner Wisenbaker made a motion to approve the agreement as presented, seconded by Commissioner Smith. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

**Beer and Wine License - Manishkumar Patel of Kasumbal 2025 LLC, DBA Busy Food Mart, 6872 B Lake Park-Bellville Road, Lake Park, GA 31636**

Finance Director, Stephanie Black, presented the item. Ms. Black stated Manishkumar Patel of Kasumbal 2025 LLC, DBA Busy Food Mart, located at 6872 B Lake Park-Bellville Road, is requesting a license for the sale of beer and wine for consumption off premises. This is an existing establishment with a license that needs to make a correction to the address. Vice Chairman Orenstein made a motion to approve the beer and wine license as presented, seconded by Commissioner Marshall. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

**Valdosta Housing Authority Request for Loan**

County Manager, Paige Dukes, presented the item. Mrs. Dukes stated the Valdosta Housing Authority has housing opportunities related to affordability beyond the properties which they manage. Harvest Station phase one and two are a part of those relationships throughout our community. In an effort to continue to support affordable housing and further initiatives, the Valdosta Housing Authority has requested the county to make a loan to the authority in the amount of \$500,000.00. Commissioner Evans requested she be recused since she is a board member on the Housing Authority Board. Commissioner Marshall made a motion to approve the loan in the amount of \$500,000.00, seconded by Commissioner Wisenbaker. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

**BID**

**2025 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) Local Road Assistance (LRA) Supplemental Resurfacing Bids**

Director of Engineering Services, Chad McLeod, presented the item. Mr. McLeod stated the commission approved the Local Road Assistance (LRA) application on May 27, 2025, and upon approval, Lowndes County received \$1,677,028.92 of (LMIG) Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant LRA funding assistance from the Georgia Department of Transportation. The 2025 LMIG Supplemental bids include 6.94 miles of county roads. This project has a 180-day completion time. Bids were received and opened on February 19, 2026. Staff received two bids, with the Scruggs Company submitting the low bid in the amount of \$1,491,023.01. Commissioner Marshall asked if this