

Residential) zoning to C-G (General Commercial) zoning to develop a child care learning facility. Mr. Dillard stated the adjoining properties are currently owned and operated as religious facilities, parsonages, or single-family homes, while new developments just beyond are zoned for higher density residential and commercial. Mr. Dillard stated there are no wetlands on the property. Mr. Dillard presented a proposed layout for the child care learning center to the Commission. The TRC recommends approval of the request for C-G zoning with the following condition:

1. No Alcohol Package Stores, Clubs, Lodges, Meeting or Event Facilities shall be allowed.

The Planning Commission recommended approval with the one condition. No one spoke against the request. Bill Kent, 2214 North Patterson Street, spoke in favor of this request as the Project Engineer for this development. Mr. Kent stated this property has adequate water and sewer, road access and drainage. Commissioner Marshall asked about the projected opening date. Mr. Kent answered as quickly as possible, but noted coordination with the Georgia Department of Transportation is still underway and the design and development process is in the beginning stages. He estimated the development could open in approximately one year. Commissioner Marshall made a motion to approve this rezoning request with condition #1 as presented, seconded by Commissioner Evans. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

## **FOR CONSIDERATION**

### **2026 Local Road Assistance (LRA) Administration Funds Application**

Director of Engineering Services, Chad McLeod, presented the item. The Georgia Department of Transportation announced that the Governor and the Legislature included the Local Road Assistance (LRA) in the amended fiscal year 2026 budget. The LRA funds will be distributed using the Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) Application System and will require no matching funds. The fiscal year 2026 LRA formula amount for Lowndes County is \$1,668,145.32. If approved, the LRA funds will be used for resurfacing. Commissioner Evans made a motion to approve the item as presented, seconded by Commissioner Smith. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

### **Acceptance of Infrastructure for Cypress Lakes Subdivision Phase V Section II**

Director of Engineering Services, Chad McLeod, presented the item. Mr. McLeod stated the Cypress Lakes Subdivision Phase V Section II is located at the end of Clove Drive in Cypress Lakes Subdivision. This section includes the remainder of Clove Drive and a portion of Eucalyptus Drive. All construction and paperwork have been completed. Engineering and Utilities staff have conducted the final inspection of the construction. The developer has requested Lowndes County to accept the infrastructure, which includes the roads and right of ways, stormwater infrastructure, and utilities infrastructure. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the item as presented, seconded by Commissioner Marshall. All voted in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.

### **Transportation Investment Act (TIA) Local Delivery Application for Old US 41 North Widening Phase 4**

Director of Engineering Services, Chad McLeod, presented the item. Mr. McLeod stated Old US 41 North Widening Phase 4 is on the Transportation Investment Act (TIA) II list for letting in March 2030. The Local Delivery Application starts the process by allowing Lowndes County to manage the project at the local government level. If approved, the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) will send an approval letter and agreement to be approved by the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners. The project will begin at Union Road and end at the Hahira City limits. Commissioner Smith made a