

Hall County Government

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To: Hall County Board of Commissioners

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Subject: A Resolution to Adopt an Update to the County's

Comprehensive Plan

PLANNING AND ZONING
DIRECTOR
Beth Garmon

Dear Board of Commissioners,

Since September of 2022, Planning and Zoning staff has worked alongside the consultant team of TSW as well as Hall County stakeholders and other county agencies to develop a policy document that will guide the county's long-range vision for growth and development. The Comprehensive Plan balances population, economic, and employment growth with the desire to maintain rural character, greenspace, and natural resources. The plan also addresses the need to coordinate new development with infrastructure capacity. This plan will be used as a guide for developers, county staff, and the board when considering new development.

On September 11, 2024, Hall County submitted a draft of the Hall County Comprehensive Plan – Minor Update to the Georgia Mountain Regional Commission (GMRC) to be forwarded to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) for review.

The draft plan was also made available from September 15 through October 15 for public review and comment. There were no comments received during that time regarding the Comprehensive Plan.

On October 28, 2024, Hall County received DCA comments on the draft plan, which included several revisions necessary to adequately address the minimum standards for local comprehensive planning. These comments were addressed and the final draft of the plan is now ready for your consideration and adoption.

The draft can be found at:

https://www.hallcounty.org/DocumentCenter/View/13713/Hall-County-Comprehensive-Plan-Update

At the November 14, 2024 Board of Commissioners voting meeting, staff will present a summary of the process and highlight the changes in the updated

plan. With your approval, the Comprehensive Plan will then be transmitted to the GMRC and the DCA to be filed as the acting Comprehensive Plan for Hall County.

Sincerely,

Beth Garmon
Director of Planning and Zoning