



**HALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
VOTING MEETING MINUTES**

**Hall County Government Center 2nd Floor
2875 Browns Bridge Road
Gainesville, GA 30504**

**Streamed Live on Hall County Government's Website - www.hallcounty.org
Tuesday, September 22, 2026 - 06:00 PM**

Call to Order

Chairman Gibbs at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Chairman David Gibbs, Vice-Chairman Kathy Cooper and Commissioners Billy Powell, Gregg Poole and Jeff Stowe

Also present were Interim County Administrator John Gentry, Commission Clerk Jennifer Rivera, County Attorney Justin Lawhon and Assistant County Attorney Anna Schwaemmle

Approve Agenda

Commissioner Powell/Commissioner Poole — approve — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Invocation

- 1 Commissioner Gregg Poole

Pledge

- 2 Commissioner Jeff Stowe

Public Comments

The following people addressed the Board:

- *Jodi White, 5166 Whitehall Road, Lula*

Proclamation/s

Ms. Rivera addressed the Board and introduced the proclamations.

- 3 Approve the proclamation proclaiming September 29, 2026 as Hunger Action Day.

Commissioner Stowe/Commissioner Powell — approve — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

- 4 Approve the proclamation recognizing Tyeshe Luanda Brown's retirement after 24 years of service to Hall County, GA.

Commissioner Cooper/Commissioner Poole — approve — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

- 5 Approve the proclamation recognizing Jeffrey Ray Suggs' retirement after 24 years of service to Hall County, GA.

Commissioner Stowe/Commissioner Cooper — approve — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

- 6 Approve the proclamation recognizing Nancy Knowles Cupp's retirement after 25 years of service to Hall County, GA.

Commissioner Poole/Commissioner Cooper — approve — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Powell/Commissioner Poole — approve — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

- 7 Approve the September 10, 2026 Voting Meeting Minutes.
- 8 Approve the September 10, 2026 Executive Session Minutes.
- 9 Approve the September 10, 2026 Meeting Minutes.

County Attorney

Mr. Lawhon addressed the Board.

- 10 Approval and authorization for the Chairman to execute a First Amendment to Lease Agreement with Option to Purchase between Hall County and WCCB Enterprises, LLC, subject to review and approval of the County Attorney.

Commissioner Powell/Commissioner Stowe — approve — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Fire Rescue

Chief Jerry Smith, Fire Rescue, addressed the Board.

- 11 Approve the annual renewal of the ambulance stretcher maintenance and repair agreement for Fire Rescue to Stryker Sales Corporation of Chicago, IL. The estimated annual cost is \$68,223.00.

Commissioner Powell/Commissioner Stowe — approve — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Gainesville-Hall Metropolitan Planning Organization (GHMPO)

Joseph Boyd, Director of Transportation Planning for Gainesville-Hall Metropolitan Planning Organization (GHMPO), addressed the Board.

- 12 Approve the application and award for the FY 2028 Georgia Department of Transportation Section 5303 Program Metropolitan Planning Grant for the Gainesville-Hall Metropolitan Planning Organization (GHMPO) to aid in regional transportation planning in the amount of \$148,817.00, and if awarded, appoint the Grants Manager as the Program Designee, and authorize the Chairman to execute all related application and award documents. A 10% in-kind match is required.

Mr. Boyd clarified that the match would be a 10% cash match. Not in-kind as listed.

Commissioner Powell/Commissioner Stowe — approve with the 10% cash match — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Public Works and Utilities

Jorge Gomez, Director of Public Works and Utilities, addressed the Board.

- 13 Approve the purchase of two (2) Freightliner M2106 Chipper Trucks for Public Works & Utilities to Custom Truck & Equipment, LLC of Kansas City, MO, in the amount of \$277,004.00.

Commissioner Powell/Commissioner Poole — approve — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

- 14 Approval and authorization for the Chairman to execute the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) FY 2027 Local Maintenance Improvement Grant (LMIG) application, cover letter, and resurfacing list for 8.36 miles of road resurfacing on eight (8) various County roads, in the estimated amount of \$3,566,300.48.

Commissioner Stowe/Commissioner Powell — approve — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

- 15 Approval and authorization for the Chairman to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Hall County and the Town of Braselton regarding right-of-way acquisition for the Spout Springs Road Phase II project, subject to review and approval by the County Attorney.

Commissioner Cooper/Commissioner Powell — approve — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

- 16 Approve the acceptance of a \$2,006,031.00 Guaranty Performance/Maintenance Agreement for streets, stormwater management facilities, sewer, and sidewalks in Haselton Phase III Subdivision. Commission District 3.

Commissioner Poole/Commissioner Powell — approve — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Sheriff's Office

Lieutenant Jeremy Cooksey, Sheriff's Office, addressed the Board.

- 17 Approve the application and award for the 2027 Georgia Highway Enforcement of Aggressive Traffic (HEAT) Multi-Year Grant to provide funding for the Sheriff's Office for enforcement hours, operating, and travel expenses in the amount of \$87,403.20, and appoint the Grants Manager as the Program Designee and authorize the Chairman to execute all related award documents. An in-kind match of \$131,104.80 is required.

Commissioner Powell/Commissioner Poole — approve — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Public Hearing to amend Hall County's Zoning Map as follows:

Katie Ahmed, Director of Planning & Zoning, addressed the Board.

- 18 **0, 0 & 2378 Pine Circle Drive | Rezone |** from Residential (R-1) to Suburban Shopping (S-S) | on a 4.99± acre combined tract located on the north side of Pine Circle Drive approximately 0.30 miles from its intersection with Spring Road | Zoned R-1; Tax Parcels 00116 002023, 00116 002005 (pt) & 08005 000025 (pt) | **Proposed use: Telecommunication tower |** Commission District 4 | **Kelly Towers III, LLC, applicant**

Note: Tabled at the August 27, 2026 Voting Meeting until the September 22, 2026 Voting Meeting.

Ms. Schwaemmle introduced items 18, 19, 20 and 21 which were heard together.

Commissioner Stowe/Commissioner Poole — approve removing item items 18, 19, 20 and 21 from the table — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Ms. Ahmed discussed the items. Ms. Schwaemmle conducted the Public Hearing.

The following people addressed the Board regarding items 18, 19, 20 and 21:

Favor:

- *Kathy Kelly, 3708 Stonewall Circle, Atlanta*
- *Stacy Barnes, 270 Green Ridge Road, Cartersville*
- *Mitch Cochran, 2901 Seven Hills Boulevard, Dallas*
- *Victor Alarcon, 2378 Pine Circle Drive, Lot 5, Gainesville*

Opposition:

- *Sherry Dubose, 4617 Quailwood Drive, Flowery Branch*
- *Mandy Harris, 1459 Douglas Drive, Gainesville*
- *Brianna Reina, 2378 Pine Circle Drive, Lot 25, Gainesville*
- *Regina Paderones, 2378 Pine Circle Drive, Lot 25, Gainesville*

Commissioner Stowe/Commissioner Poole — deny — Vote: 3 to 1

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — nay

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

- 19 **0, 0 & 2378 Pine Circle Drive | Special Use |** for a telecommunication tower | on a 4.99± acre combined tract located on the north side of Pine Circle Drive approximately 0.30 miles from its intersection with Spring Road | Zoned R-1; Tax Parcels 00116 002023, 00116 002005 (pt) & 08005 000025 (pt) | **Proposed use: Telecommunication tower |** Commission District 4 | **Kelly Towers III, LLC, applicant**

Note: Tabled at the August 27, 2026 Voting Meeting until the September 22, 2026 Voting Meeting.

Items 18, 19, 20 and 21 were heard together. See item 18 for public hearing details.

Commissioner Stowe/Commissioner Poole — deny — Vote: 3 to 1

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — nay

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

- 20 **0, 0 & 2378 Pine Circle Drive | Variance to Section 7.4.5 |** to telecommunication tower standards | on a 4.99± acre tract located on the north side of Pine Circle Drive approximately 0.30 miles from its intersection with Spring Road | Zoned R-1; Tax Parcels 00116 002023, 00116 002005 (pt) & 08005 000025 (pt) | **Proposed use: Telecommunication tower |** Commission District 4 | **Kelly Towers III, LLC, applicant**

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Items 18, 19, 20 and 21 were heard together. See item 18 for public hearing details.

Commissioner Stowe/Commissioner Poole — deny — Vote: 3 to 1

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — nay

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

- 21 **0, 0 & 2378 Pine Circle Drive | Variance to Section 5.2 |** to reduce minimum road frontage | on a 4.99± acre tract located on the north side of Pine Circle Drive approximately 0.30 miles from its intersection with Spring Road | Zoned R-1; Tax Parcels 00116 002023, 00116 002005 (pt) & 08005 000025 (pt) | **Proposed use: Telecommunication tower |** Commission District 4 | **Kelly Towers III, LLC, applicant**

Note: Tabled at the August 27, 2026 Voting Meeting until the September 22, 2026 Voting Meeting.

Items 18, 19, 20 and 21 were heard together. See item 18 for public hearing details.

Commissioner Stowe/Commissioner Poole — approve — Vote: 4 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

- 22 **2714, 2720, 2740 Barker Road & adjacent former Right-of-Way | Rezone |** from Agricultural Residential (AR-1) and Residential 1 (R-1) to Highway Business (H-B) | on a combined 22.13± acre tract located on the northwest corner of the intersection of Sardis Road and Dawsonville Highway | Zoned AR-1 & R-1; Tax Parcels 10071 000007; 10071 000006; 10071 000005; former GDOT right-of-way | **Proposed use: Mixed use commercial development |** Commission District 2 | **America's Home Place, Inc., applicant**

Ms. Schwaemmle introduced items 22, 23 and 24 which were heard together. Ms. Ahmed discussed the items. Ms. Schwaemmle conducted the Public Hearing.

The following people addressed the Board regarding items 22, 23 and 24:

Favor:

- *Jim Walters, 311 Green Street, Gainesville*
- *John Rogers, 3711 Happy Valley Drive, Gainesville*
- *Keith Brown, 2144 Hilton Drive, Gainesville*

Opposition:

- *Linda Brady, 3155 Arrowhead Drive, Gainesville*
- *Melissa Flippen, 3131 Corral Trail, Gainesville*
- *Ash Tones, 3130 Corral Trail, Gainesville*
- *Brian Plaskon, 2657 Tammi Lane, Gainesville*
- *Juan Perdomo, 2740 Barker Road, Gainesville*
- *William Hosay, 3073 Lake Ranch Drive, Gainesville*
- *Brian Houghton, 3167 Arrowhead Drive, Gainesville*

Commissioner Powell/Commissioner Cooper — approve with the seven (7) conditions listed below — Vote: 4 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Conditions:

- 1. The property shall be developed in accordance with the site plan dated April 17, 2026, and as described in the project narrative dated July 8, 2026, modified as necessary for compliance with conditions herein and development standards enforced at the time of site plan approval.*
- 2. No variances or development exceptions are granted as part of this request that are not explicitly granted by board approval.*
- 3. A 25-foot minimum transitional buffer shall be maintained between commercial and residential zoning districts as shown on the submitted site plan.*
- 4. The LDP will not be approved until the traffic impact study is approved by the Georgia Department of Transportation and Hall County Public Works. The applicant will be responsible for funding and constructing all of the recommended improvements in the approved traffic impact study.*
- 5. All conditions of zoning shall be made a part of any plats or construction plans created for the properties.*
- 6. Access to Lake Ranch Drive from Barker Road shall be for emergency use only with a locked gate.*
- 7. There shall be a 50 foot undisturbed buffer along the residential area (tax parcels 10071 000095 and 10071 000096) supplemented where sparsely vegetated, subject to review and approval by the Director of Planning & Zoning or their designee.*

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2714, 2720, 2740 Barker Road & adjacent former Right-of-Way | Special Use | Fuel sales in Highway Business (H-B) | on a combined 22.13± acre tract located on the northwest corner of the intersection of Sardis Road and Dawsonville Highway | Zoned AR-1 & R-1; Tax parcels 10071 000007; 10071 000006; 10071 000005; former GDOT right-of-way | **Proposed use: Mixed use commercial development | Commission District 2 | **America's Home Place, Inc., applicant****

Items 22, 23 and 24 were heard together. See item 22 for public hearing details.

Commissioner Powell/Commissioner Cooper — approve with the seven (7) conditions listed below — Vote: 4 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Conditions:

- 1. The property shall be developed in accordance with the site plan dated April 17, 2026, and as described in the project narrative dated July 8, 2026, modified as necessary for compliance with conditions herein and development standards enforced at the time of site plan approval.*
- 2. No variances or development exceptions are granted as part of this request that are not explicitly granted by board approval.*
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- 5. All conditions of zoning shall be made a part of any plats or construction plans created for the properties.*
- 6. Access to Lake Ranch Drive from Barker Road shall be for emergency use only with a locked gate.*
- 7. There shall be a 50 foot undisturbed buffer along the residential area (tax parcels 10071 000095 and 10071 000096) supplemented where sparsely vegetated, subject to review and approval by the Director of Planning & Zoning or their designee.*

24

2714, 2720, 2740 Barker Road & adjacent former Right-of-Way | Variance to Section 6.2 | to Gateway Corridor Overlay District (GCOD) standards | on a combined 22.13± acre tract located on the northwest corner of Sardis Road and Dawsonville Highway | Zoned AR-1 & R-1; Tax parcels 10071 000007; 10071 000006; 10071 000005; former GDOT right-of-way | **Proposed use: Mixed use commercial development |** Commission District 2 | **America's Home Place, Inc., applicant**

Items 22, 23 and 24 were heard together. See item 22 for public hearing details.

Commissioner Powell/Commissioner Cooper — approve with the seven (7) conditions listed below — Vote: 4 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Conditions:

- 1. The property shall be developed in accordance with the site plan dated April 17, 2026, and as described in the project narrative dated July 8, 2026, modified as necessary for compliance with conditions herein and development standards enforced at the time of site plan approval.*
- 2. No variances or development exceptions are granted as part of this request that are not explicitly granted by board approval.*
- 3. A 25-foot minimum transitional buffer shall be maintained between commercial and residential zoning districts as shown on the submitted site plan.*
- 4. The LDP will not be approved until the traffic impact study is approved by the Georgia Department of Transportation and Hall County Public Works. The applicant will be responsible for funding and constructing all of the recommended improvements in the approved traffic impact study.*
- 5. All conditions of zoning shall be made a part of any plats or construction plans created for the properties.*
- 6. Access to Lake Ranch Drive from Barker Road shall be for emergency use only with a locked gate.*
- 7. There shall be a 50 foot undisturbed buffer along the residential area (tax parcels 10071 000095 and 10071 000096) supplemented where sparsely vegetated, subject to review and approval by the Director of Planning & Zoning or their designee.*

Lynn Taylor, Principal Planner, addressed the Board.

- 25 **1546 & 1558 Candler Road | Rezone |** from Agricultural Residential (AR-1) to Light Industrial (I-1) | on a combined 9.71± acre tract located on the west side of Candler Road approximately 790 feet south of its intersection with Fulenwider Road | Zoned AR-1; Tax parcels 15031 000036; 15031 000035 | **Proposed use: Uses permitted in Light Industrial (I-1) |** Commission District 4 | **Matthew Pridemore, applicant**

Ms. Schwaemmle introduced items 25, 26 and 27 which were heard together. Ms. Taylor discussed the items. Ms. Schwaemmle conducted the Public Hearing.

The following people addressed the Board regarding items 25, 26 and 27:

Favor:

- Matt Pridemore, 4560 River Mansion Cove, Berkeley Lake*

Commissioner Stowe/Commissioner Poole — approve with the five (5) conditions listed below — Vote: 4 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Conditions:

- 1. The property shall be developed in accordance with the site plan dated July 24, 2026, and as described in the project narrative received August 14, 2026, modified as necessary for compliance with conditions herein and development standards enforced at the time of site plan approval.*
- 2. Prior to issuance of a business license, the applicable demolition permits and building permits shall be obtained from the Hall County Building Inspection department. Final determination of compliance with this condition shall be at the discretion of the Director of Development Services, or their designee.*
- 3. The property fence along Candler Road and adjacent to residential properties shall be a solid fence and meet all GCOD standards.*
- 4. No variances or development exceptions are granted as part of this request that are not explicitly granted by board approval.*
- 5. All conditions of zoning shall be made a part of any plats or construction plans created for the property.*

26 **1546 & 1558 Candler Road | Special Use |** for Outdoor Storage in Gateway Corridor Overlay District (GCOD) | on a combined 9.71± acre tract located on the west side of Candler Road approximately 790 feet south of its intersection with Fulenwider Road | Zoned AR-1; Tax Parcels 15031 000036; 15031 000035
| Proposed use: Outdoor storage | Commission District 4 | Matthew Pridemore, applicant

Items 25, 26 and 27 were heard together. See item 25 for public hearing details.

Commissioner Stowe/Commissioner Poole — approve with the five (5) conditions listed below — Vote: 4 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Conditions:

- 1. The property shall be developed in accordance with the site plan dated July 24, 2026, and as described in the project narrative received August 14, 2026, modified as necessary for compliance with conditions herein and development standards enforced at the time of site plan approval.*
- 2. Prior to issuance of a business license, the applicable demolition permits and building permits shall be obtained from the Hall County Building Inspection department. Final determination of compliance with this condition shall be at the discretion of the Director of Development Services, or their designee.*
- 3. The property fence along Candler Road and adjacent to residential properties shall be a solid fence and meet all GCOD standards.*
- 4. No variances or development exceptions are granted as part of this request that are not explicitly granted by board approval.*
- 5. All conditions of zoning shall be made a part of any plats or construction plans created for the property.*

27 **1546 & 1558 Candler Road | Variance to Section 6.2 |** to Gateway Corridor Overlay District (GCOD) standards | on a combined 9.71± acre tract located on the west side of Candler Road approximately 790 feet south of its intersection with Fulenwider Road | Zoned AR-1; Tax Parcels 15031 000036;15031 000035 | **Proposed use: Outdoor storage** | Commission District 4 | **Matthew Pridemore, applicant**

Items 22, 23 and 24 were heard together. See item 22 for public hearing details.

Commissioner Stowe/Commissioner Poole — approve with the five (5) conditions listed below — Vote: 4 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Conditions:

- 1. The property shall be developed in accordance with the site plan dated July 24, 2026, and as described in the project narrative received August 14, 2026, modified as necessary for compliance with conditions herein and development standards enforced at the time of site plan approval.*
- 2. Prior to issuance of a business license, the applicable demolition permits and building permits shall be obtained from the Hall County Building Inspection department. Final determination of compliance with this condition shall be at the discretion of the Director of Development Services, or their designee.*
- 3. The property fence along Candler Road and adjacent to residential properties shall be a solid fence and meet all GCOD standards.*
- 4. No variances or development exceptions are granted as part of this request that are not explicitly granted by board approval.*
- 5. All conditions of zoning shall be made a part of any plats or construction plans created for the property.*

28 **5144 Golden Oak Cove | Variance to Section 6.1.1 |** to reduce the minimum yards | on a 0.16± acre tract located on the northeast side of Golden Oak Cove approximately 220 feet southeast of its intersection with Noble Oak Cove | Zoned PRD; Tax Parcel 08065 000262 | **Proposed use: Residential addition |** Commission District 2 | **Janet Marshall Wells, applicant**

Ms. Schwaemmle introduced the item. Ms. Taylor discussed the item. Ms. Schwaemmle conducted the Public Hearing.

The following people addressed the Board:

Favor:

- *Janet Wells, 5144 Golden Oak Cove, Gainesville*

Commissioner Powell/Commissioner Stowe — approve — Vote: 4 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

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5145 Monarch Drive | Variance to Section 4.3 | to reduce the minimum yards | on a 0.61± acre tract located on the southeast corner at the intersection of Monarch Drive and Elrod Road | Zoned R-1; Tax parcel 10077A000001 | **Proposed use: Accessory building | Commission District 2 | William & Ann Loyd, applicant**

Ms. Schwaemmle introduced the item. Ms. Taylor discussed the item. Ms. Schwaemmle conducted the Public Hearing.

The following people addressed the Board:

Favor:

- *Ann Loyd, 5145 Monarch Drive, Gainesville*

Commissioner Powell/Commissioner Poole — approve with the one (1) condition listed below — Vote: 4 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Condition:

1. *The property shall be developed in accordance with the site plan dated July 18, 2026, modified as necessary for compliance with conditions herein and development standards enforced at the time of site plan approval.*

County Administrator

Mr. Gentry stated the Planning and Communications departments have launched a webpage for the Comprehensive Plan update. Stated the goal is to reach 12,000 people to participate in the community survey.

Commission Time

Commissioner Billy Powell, District 2, acknowledged current members of Leadership Hall. The following members addressed the Board:

- *Phil Dennis (Georgia Mountain Food Bank)*

Commissioner Gregg Poole, District 3, stated that it was great hearing from the 16 year old speakers tonight.

Chairman David Gibbs stated that it was awesome having young folks involved.

Executive Session

Commissioner Powell/Commissioner Stowe — to go into Executive Session at 8:25 p.m. — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

- 30 Discussion regarding land acquisition, land disposition, personnel matters, potential litigation and/or litigation. Executive Session is not open to the public. Executive Session is a lawfully closed meeting [§ 50-14-1 (a)(2)].

Commissioner Powell/Commissioner Poole — to adjourn the Executive Session at 8:37 p.m. — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.

Adjourn

Commissioner Powell/Commissioner Poole — adjourn at 8:37 p.m. — Vote: 5 to 0

Commissioner Cooper — aye

Commissioner Powell — aye

Chairman Gibbs — aye

Commissioner Poole — aye

Commissioner Stowe — aye

Motion passed.