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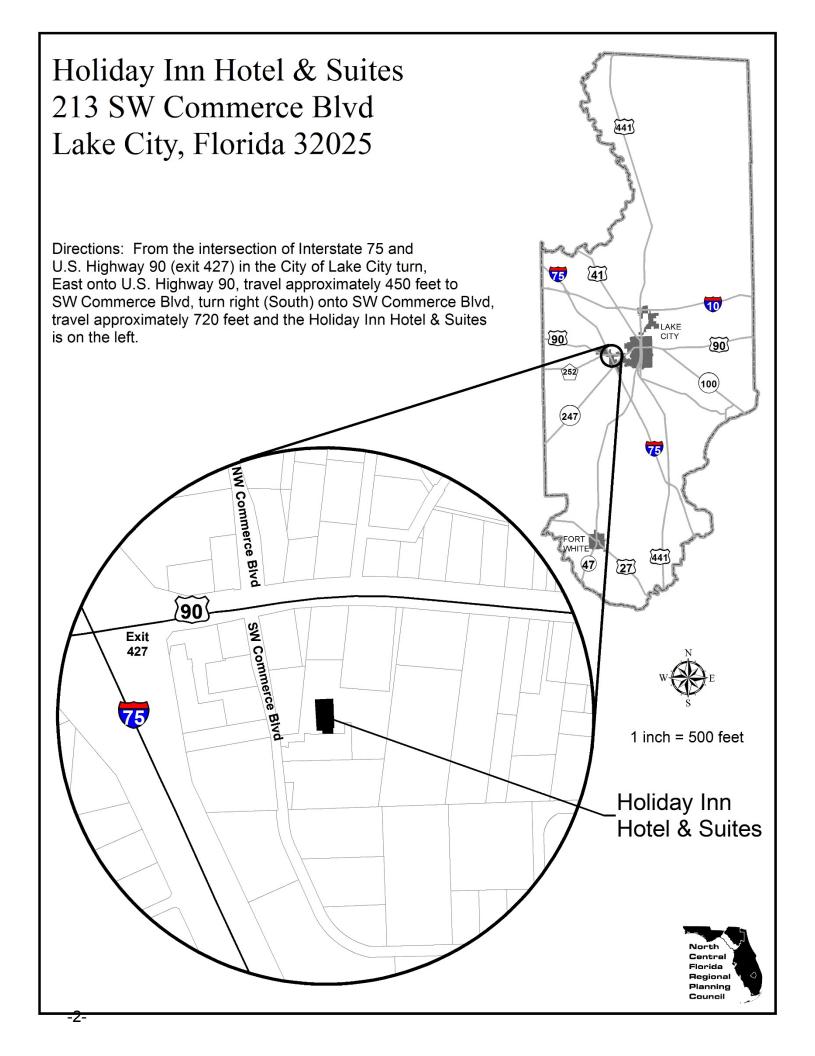
MEETING NOTICE

CLEARINGHOUSE COMMITTEE

There will be a meeting of the Clearinghouse Committee of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council on **June 22**, **2023**. The meeting will be a hybrid meeting in-person at the **Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites**, **Suwannee Room**, **213 Southwest Commerce Boulevard**, **Lake City**, **Florida**, and via Communications Media Technology at **6:00 p.m**.

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AGENDA CLEARINGHOUSE COMMITTEE

Hybrid Public Meeting Holiday Inn & Suites 213 Southwest Commerce Boulevard Lake City, Florida and Via Communications Media Technology June 22, 2023 6:00 p.m.

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#54 - City of Lake City - Community Development Block Grant-Commercial Revitalization 22DB-C04- Concurrent Notice

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V. CITIZEN COMMENTS

The Committee welcomes you to this meeting. This time is set aside for our citizens and general public to address the Committee on any matter not included on the agenda. This is not a question or answer time, it is not a political forum, nor is it a time for personal accusations or derogatory remarks to or about Council personnel. If you would like to address the Committee, please complete a form, come forward when you are called, and state your name and address for the record. Please also limit your comments to not more than three minutes. Your participation is welcomed.

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL CLEARINGHOUSE COMMITTEE **MINUTES**

Hybrid Meeting Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites Lake City, Florida and Via Communications Media Technology May 25, 2023 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT IN PERSON

Patricia Bouie Hutchinson, Chair John Meeks, Vice-Chair Daniel Riddick Marihelen Wheeler

MEMBERS ABSENT James Tallman Donnie Waldrep Stephen Witt

MEMBERS PRESET VIA

COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA TECHNOLOGY

FOR QUORUM James Catron Casey Willits

STAFF PRESENT

Lauren Yeatter - In-Person

MEMBERS PRESET VIA COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA TECHNOLOGY NOT FOR QUORUM

None

Noting the presence of a quorum, the meeting was called to order by Chair Bouie Hutchinson at 6:03 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chair Bouie Hutchinson requested approval of the agenda as presented.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Meeks and seconded by Commissioner Wheeler to

approve the May 25, 2023 Clearinghouse Committee Agenda as presented. The

motion carried unanimously.

П. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 27, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Wheeler and seconded by Commissioner Meeks to approve the April 27, 2023 Clearinghouse Committee meeting minutes as circulated.

The motion carried unanimously.

III. COMMITTEE-LEVEL REVIEW ITEMS

#39 - City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-4ESR)

#40 - Columbia County Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 23-1ESR)

#43 - Gilchrist County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 23-2ESR)

#46 - City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 23-1ESR)

#47 - Town of Lee Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 23-1ESR)

#48 - Alachua County Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 23-1ESR)

#49 - Madison County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-2ESR)

#50 - Madison County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-3ESR)

#52 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 23-2ESR)

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Meeks and seconded by Commissioner Wheeler to group Committee-Level Review Items #39, #40, #43, #46, #47, #48, #49, #50 and #52 for purpose of review. The motion carried unanimously.

Lauren Yeatter, Senior Planner, stated that the staff reports find the comprehensive plans, as amended, are not anticipated to result in significant adverse impacts to Natural Resources of Regional Significance, regional facilities or adjoining local governments.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Meeks and seconded by Commissioner Riddick to recommend that the Council approve the staff reports for Items #39, #40, #43, #46, #47, #48, #49, #50 and #52 as circulated. The motion carried 5 Yeas, 1 Nay.

The meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.	
	c/99/99
Patricia B. Hutchinson, Chair	<u>6/22/23</u> Date

FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATION LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT REVIEW FORM 01

Regional Planning Council: North Central Fl
Review Date: 6/22/23

Regional Planning Council Item No.: 53
Local Government: City of Gainesville

Amendment Type: Adopted Amendment

Local Government Item No.: LD23-000020 LUC

State Land Planning Agency Item No.: 23-1ESR

Date Mailed to Local Government and State Land Planning Agency: 6/23/23 (estimated)

Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, Council review of local government comprehensive plan amendments is limited to adverse effects on regional resources and facilities identified in the strategic regional policy plan and extrajurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of any affected local government within the region. A written report containing an evaluation of these impacts, pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, is to be provided to the local government and the state land planning agency within 30 calendar days of receipt of the amendment.

DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT

City item LD23-000020 LUC rescinds prior ordinance 211357 (which amended Policy 4.1.1 of the City's Comprehensive Future Land Use Element by eliminating the Single Family classification (up to 8 dwelling units per acre), and restores single-family land use designation SF: Single Family, (revert from NR: Neighborhood Residential) (See attached.)

1. ADVERSE EFFECTS TO SIGNIFICANT REGIONAL RESOURCES AND FACILITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE STRATEGIC REGIONAL POLICY PLAN

City item LD23-000020 LUC is a city-wide amendment. Interstate 75, U.S. Highway 441, State Road 20, State Road 24, State Road 24A, State Road 26, State Road 26A, State Road 120, State Road 121, State Road 222, State Road 226 and State Road 331 located within the city limits are part of the Regional Road Network as identified and mapped in the North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan. The City Transportation Mobility Element contains objectives and policies which implement one or more practices consistent with Transportation Planning Best Practices contained in the North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan. Regional Plan Transportation Element Policy 5.1.1 states that within municipalities where local government comprehensive plans contain goals and policies which implement Transportation Planning Best Practices, adverse impacts to the Regional Road Network are adequately mitigated and local government plans and plan amendments are not subject to a Regional Planning Council determination impacts to the Regional Road Network. Therefore, significant adverse transportation impacts to the Regional Road Network are adequately mitigated.

Significant adverse impacts are not anticipated to occur to Natural Resources of Regional Significance, as the City Comprehensive Plan contains adequate policy direction consistent with the regional plan to mitigate adverse impacts to natural resources.

2. EXTRAJURISDICTIONAL IMPACTS INCONSISTENT WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITHIN THE REGION

The City Comprehensive Plan, as amended, is not anticipated to create significant adverse impacts to adjoining local governments.

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It is recommended that these findings be forwarded to the City and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

Yes	No
Not Applicable	<u>X</u>

EXCERPTS FROM THE CITY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-167

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An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending the Future Land Use 3 Element and Map of the Comprehensive Plan by adding the Single-Family (SF) 4 5 6 7

land use category and amending associated property, as more specifically described in this ordinance; providing directions to the City Manager; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date.

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WHEREAS, the Municipal Home Rule Powers Act, Chapter 166, Florida Statutes, secures for

municipalities the broad exercise of home rule powers granted by Article VIII, Section 2 of the

12 Florida Constitution, including the exercise of any power for municipal purposes not expressly

prohibited by law; and

WHEREAS, Section 163.3167, Florida Statutes, requires the City of Gainesville to maintain a

15 Comprehensive Plan to guide the future development and growth of the city; and

16 WHEREAS, the City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan, as required by Section 163.3177(1),

17 Florida Statutes, must provide the principles, guidelines, standards, and strategies for the orderly

and balanced future economic, social, physical, environmental, and fiscal development of the city

as reflected by the community's commitments to implement such plan; and

WHEREAS, Section 163.3177(6), Florida Statutes, requires the City of Gainesville Comprehensive

21 Plan to include a Future Land Use Element with a Future Land Use Map that designates the future

22 general distribution, location, and extent of the uses of land for residential, commercial, industry,

agriculture, recreation, conservation, education, public facilities, and other categories of the

public and private uses of land, with the goals of protecting natural and historic resources,

25 providing for the compatibility of adjacent land uses, and discouraging the proliferation of urban

26 sprawl; and

- 27 WHEREAS, this ordinance, which was noticed as required by law, will amend the Future Land Use
- 28 Element and Map of the Comprehensive Plan; and
- 29 WHEREAS, the City Plan Board, which acts pursuant to the authority granted in Section 4.02 of
- 30 the Charter Laws of the City of Gainesville and which acts as the Local Planning Agency pursuant
- 31 to Section 163.3174, Florida Statutes, held a public hearing and voted to make a recommendation
- 32 to the City Commission regarding the subject of this ordinance; and
- 33 WHEREAS, an advertisement no less than two columns wide by ten inches long was placed in a
- 34 newspaper of general circulation and provided the public with at least seven days' advance notice
- of this ordinance's first public hearing (i.e., transmittal hearing) to be held by the City Commission
- 36 in the City Hall Auditorium, located on the first floor of City Hall in the City of Gainesville; and
- 37 WHEREAS, after the first public hearing, the City of Gainesville transmitted copies of this
- 38 proposed amendment to the reviewing agencies and any other local government unit or state
- 39 agency that requested same; and
- 40 WHEREAS, a second advertisement no less than two columns wide by ten inches long was placed
- 41 in the aforesaid newspaper and provided the public with at least five days' advance notice of this
- 42 ordinance's second public hearing (i.e., adoption hearing) to be held by the City Commission; and
- 43 WHEREAS, public hearings were held pursuant to the notice described above at which hearings
- 44 the parties in interest and all others had an opportunity to be and were, in fact, heard; and
- 45 WHEREAS, prior to adoption of this ordinance, the City Commission has considered any written
- 46 comments received concerning this Future Land Use Element and Map amendment; and
- 47 WHEREAS, the City Commission finds this Future Land Use Element and Map amendment to be
- 48 consistent with the City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan.

- 49 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE,
- 50 FLORIDA:
- 51 SECTION 1. Policy 4.1.1 of the Future Land Use Element of the City of Gainesville
- 52 Comprehensive Plan is amended as follows. Except as amended herein, the remainder of Policy
- 53 4.1.1 remains in full force and effect.
- 54 Single-Family (SF): up to 8 units per acre
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- 56 This land use category shall allow single-family detached dwellings at densities up to 8 dwelling
- 57 units per acre. The Single-Family land use c at e go r y identifies those areas within the City that,
- 58 due to topography, soil conditions, surrounding land uses and development patterns, are
- 59 appropriate for single-family development. Land development regulations shall determine the
- 60 performance measures and gradations of density. Land development regulations shall specify
- 61 criteria for the siting of low-intensity residential facilities to accommodate special need
- 62 populations and appropriate community-level institutional facilities such as places of religious
- 63 assembly, public and private schools other than institutions of higher learning, and libraries. Land
- 64 development regulations shall allow home occupations in conjunction with single-family
- 65 dwellings under certain limitations.
- 66
- 67 SECTION 2. The Future Land Use Map of the City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan is
- 68 amended by changing the land use category of all property that was designated as Residential
- 69 Low-Density (RL) by City of Gainesville Ordinance No. 211357 to Single-Family (SF). The
- 70 amendment and location of the property that is the subject of this ordinance is shown on Exhibit
- 71 A for visual reference. A detailed Future Land Use Map is available for inspection on the City's
- 72 website or in the City's Department of Sustainable Development.
- 73 **SECTION 3.** It is the intent of the City Commission that the provisions of Sections 1 and 2 of
- 74 this ordinance will become and be made a part of the City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan
- 75 and that the sections and paragraphs of the Comprehensive Plan may be renumbered in order
- 76 to accomplish such intent.

- 77 SECTION 4. The City Manager or designee is authorized and directed to make the necessary
- 78 changes to the City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan in order to fully implement this ordinance.
- 79 The City Manager or designee is authorized to correct any typographical errors that do not affect
- 80 the intent of this ordinance.
- 81 SECTION 5. Within ten working days of the transmittal (first) hearing, the City Manager or
- 82 designee is authorized and directed to transmit this Future Land Use Map amendment and
- 83 appropriate supporting data and analyses to the reviewing agencies and to any other local
- 84 government or governmental agency that has filed a written request for same with the City.
- 85 Within ten working days of the adoption (second) hearing, the City Manager or designee is
- 86 authorized and directed to transmit this amendment to the state land planning agency and any
- 87 other agency or local government that provided comments to the City regarding the
- 88 amendment.
- 89 SECTION 6. If any word, phrase, clause, paragraph, section, or provision of this ordinance or
- 90 the application hereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid or unconstitutional, such
- 91 finding will not affect the other provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given
- 92 effect without the invalid or unconstitutional provision or application, and to this end the
- 93 provisions of this ordinance are declared severable.
- 94 SECTION 7. As of the effective date of this amendment to the Comprehensive Plan as
- 95 described in Section 8 of this ordinance, all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith
- 96 are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.
- 97 SECTION 8. This ordinance will become effective immediately upon adoption; however, the
- 98 effective date of this amendment to the City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan, if the

amendment is not timely challenged, will be 31 days after the state land planning agency notifies
the City that the plan amendment package is complete in accordance with Section 163.3184,
Florida Statutes. If timely challenged, this Comprehensive Plan amendment will become effective
on the date the state land planning agency or the Administration Commission enters a final order
determining the amendment to be in compliance with Chapter 163, Florida Statutes. No
development orders, development permits, or land uses dependent on this Comprehensive Plan
amendment may be issued or commenced before this amendment has become effective.

106 PASSED AND ADOPTED this 1st day of June, 2023.

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111 112 Attest: 113 114 115 OMICHELE D. NATTIEL-WILLIAMS 116 CITY CLERK	 ANIEL M. NEE

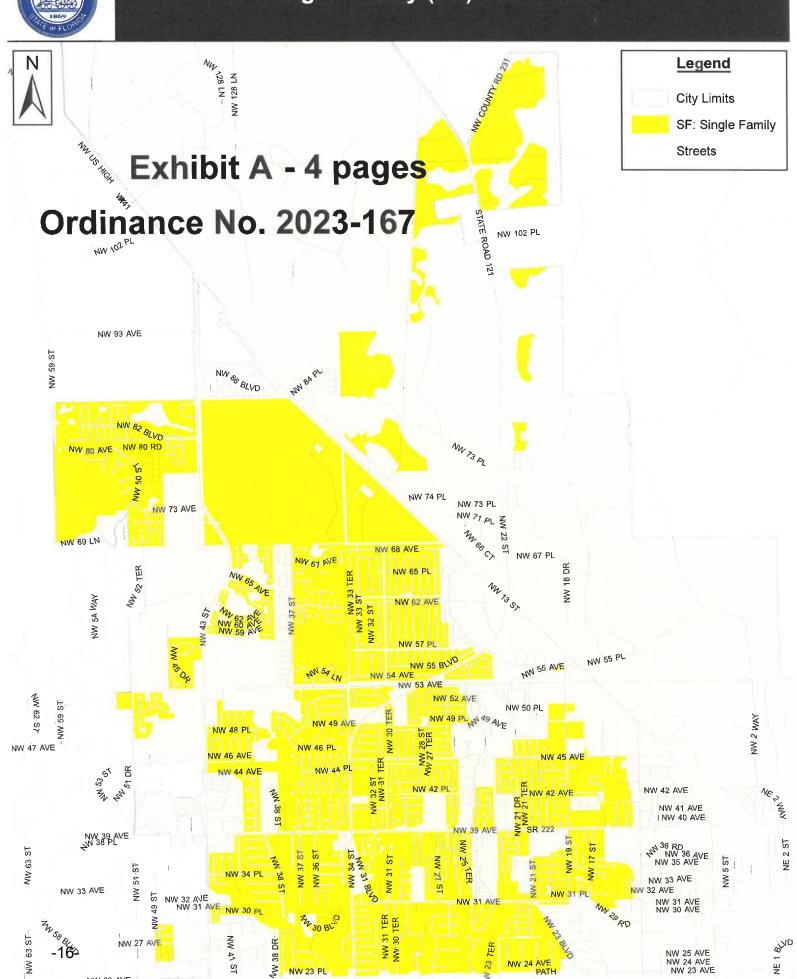
118 This ordinance passed on transmittal (first) reading this 19th day of April, 2023.

120 This ordinance passed on adoption (second) reading this 1st day of June, 2023.

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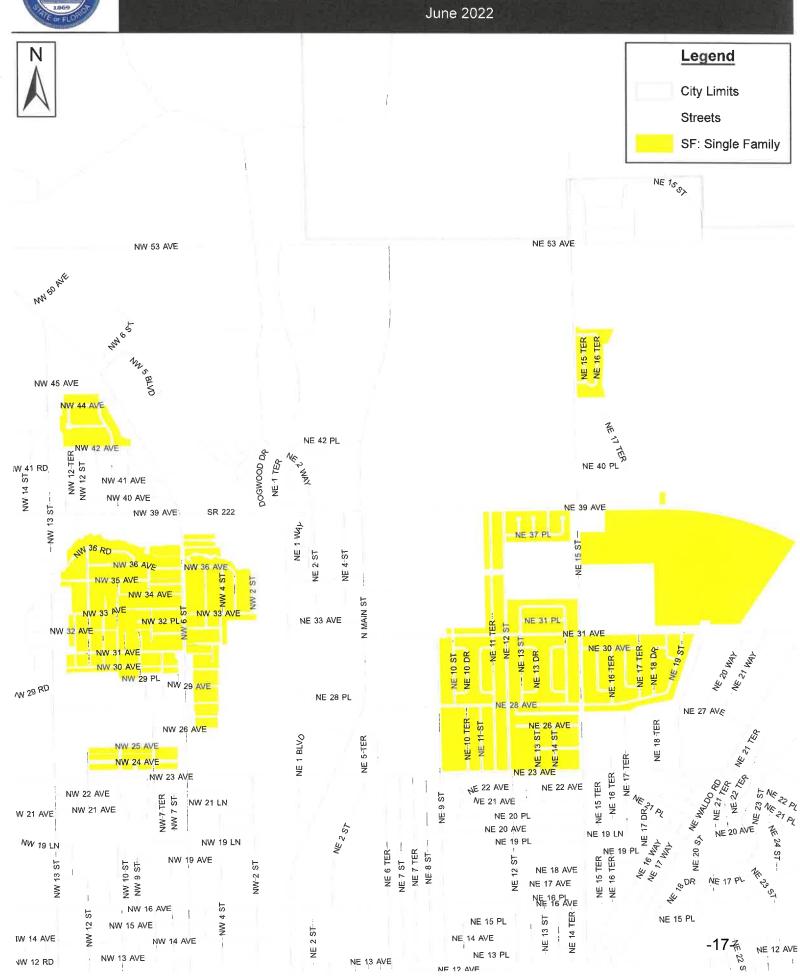


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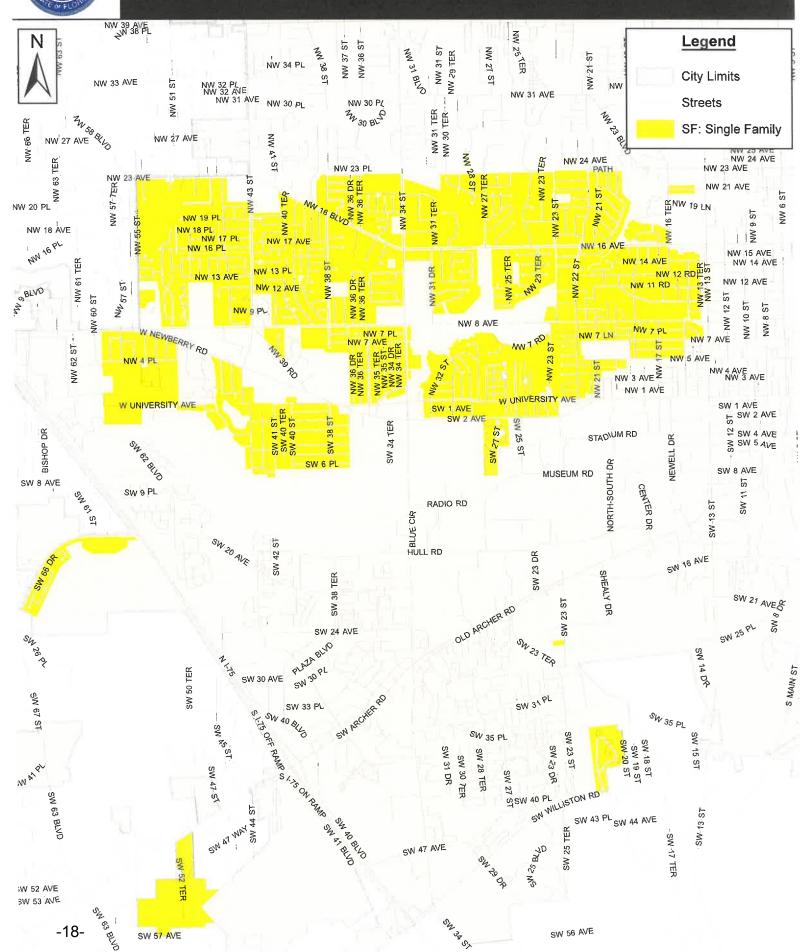


2 Single Family (SF) Land Use





Q3 Single-Family (SF) Land Use





Q4 Single-Family (SF) Land Use



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FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATION LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT REVIEW FORM 01

Regional Planning Council: North Central Fl
Review Date: 6/22/23

Amendment Type: Adopted Amendment

Regional Planning Council Item No.: 55

Local Government: City of Newberry

Local Government Item No.: CPA 23-05

State Land Planning Agency Item No.: 23-1ESR

Date Mailed to Local Government and State Land Planning Agency: 6/23/23 (estimated)

Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, Council review of local government comprehensive plan amendments is limited to adverse effects on regional resources and facilities identified in the strategic regional policy plan and extrajurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of any affected local government within the region. A written report containing an evaluation of these impacts, pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, is to be provided to the local government and the state land planning agency within 30 calendar days of receipt of the amendment.

DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENTS

City item CPA 23-05 reclassifies approximately 96.0 acres of land from Agriculture (less than or equal to one dwelling unit per five acres) to Public for the expansion of wastewater treatment facility and other essential public services (see attached).

1. ADVERSE EFFECTS TO SIGNIFICANT REGIONAL RESOURCES AND FACILITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE STRATEGIC REGIONAL POLICY PLAN

The subject property is not located within one-half mile of the Regional Road Network as identified and mapped in the North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan. Therefore no adverse impacts are anticipated to occur to the Regional Road Network.

The subject property is located within an Area of High Recharge Potential to the Floridan Aquifer, a Natural Resource of Regional Significance as identified and mapped in the North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan. Nevertheless, significant adverse impacts are not anticipated to occur as a result of the amendment as the City Comprehensive Plan has adequate policy direction to mitigate adverse impacts to the Floridan Aquifer in a manner consistent with the goals and policies of the North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan.

2. EXTRAJURISDICTIONAL IMPACTS INCONSISTENT WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITHIN THE REGION

The City Comprehensive Plan, as amended, is not anticipated to create significant adverse impacts to adjoining local governments.

Request a copy of the adopted version of the amendment?			
request a copy of the adopted version of the amenament	Yes	No	
	Not Applicable	X	

EXCERPTS FROM THE CITY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

SUPPORTING DATA AND ANALYSIS FOR CPA 23-05

(Parcels 02538-008-000 and 02538-009-001) ±96 acres

The following data and analysis are provided to support the transmittal of the below proposed large scale comprehensive plan amendment:

CPA 23-05, an application by the City of Newberry to amend the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan by changing the future land use classification from Agriculture to Public on approximately 96 acres (Alachua County Parcel Identification Numbers 02538-008-000 and 02538-009-001) identified on the maps below. The property is generally located on the east side of County Road 337/Southwest 266 Street, between Southwest 18 Road and Southwest 30 Avenue, and has a zoning designation of Agricultural (A). Rezoning of the property is proposed under a companion ordinance, however, rezoning is contingent upon the adoption of the future land use map amendment.



Figure 1: Aerial Image of Subject Property

APPLICANT: City of Newberry, a Florida Municipal Corporation **OWNER:** City of Newberry, a Florida Municipal Corporation

PURPOSE: Expansion of wastewater treatment facility and other essential public services

LOCATION: Southwest corner of Southwest 18 Road and County Road 337/Southwest 266 Street

EXISTING USES: Vacant agricultural field/pasture

CURRENT FUTURE LAND USE MAP

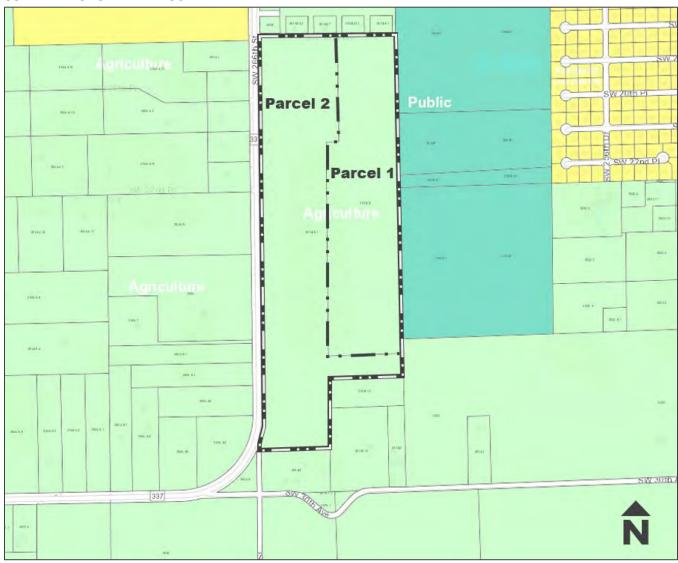


Figure 2: Existing Future Land Use Map Classification of Agriculture

The City has acquired the subject property in order to expand its existing wastewater treatment facility. Conceptually, this site may also host several other public and semi-public uses in a comprehensive environmental park as follows:

- Natural stormwater basin and passive educational component.
- Regional household hazardous waste processing center.
- Potential composting facility.
- Potential small farm meat processing center.

This amendment is being requested to reclassify the subject property, Alachua County Tax Parcels 02538-008-000 and 02538-009-001, as Public use. The amendment from Agriculture to Public represents an intensification from the existing vacant site that exists today. Demand on public utilities and infrastructure may increase. Because the proposed site development is in a very conceptual stage, exact facility sizes have not been determined and are contingent upon securing grants and other potential contracts and funding opportunities. The adjacency of this



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REGIONAL CLEARINGHOUSE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION AND RESPONSE

Date: 6/22/23

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

#54 - City of Lake City - Community Development Block Grant - Commercial Revitalization 22DB-C04 - Concurrent Notice

TO: Paul Dyal, City Manager City of Lake City 205 North Marion Avenue Lake City, FL 32055-3918

> Fred D. Fox, President Fred Fox Enterprises, Inc. P.O. Box 840338 St. Augustine, FL 32080-0338

COMMENTS ATTACHED

X NO COMMENTS REGARDING THIS PROJECT

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THESE COMMENTS, PLEASE CONTACT LAUREN YEATTER, SENIOR PLANNER AT THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AT 352.955.2200, EXT 113

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CONCURRENT NOTICE NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

Date: June 10, 2023

Name of Responsible Entity: City of Lake City

Address: 205 North Marion Avenue

Lake City, Florida 32055 Contact: Paul Dyal, City Manager Telephone Number: (386) 719-5768

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Lake City.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about June 28, 2023, the City of Lake City will submit a request to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development (HCD) Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project to make the following improvements:

Activities:

Project Area #1: Downtown Lake City Wilson Park Commercial Revitalization Project Area: The activities included in Project Area #1 are as follows:

O3F Open Space, Parks and Playgrounds Activity - The activity proposed in this application is the construction of an amphitheater across from Wilson Park above Lake Desoto. Wilson Park is located at 232 NE Hillsboro Street, Lake City, Florida. An active amphitheater across from Wilson Park above Lake Desoto will help draw area residents into the downtown for community events. Holding events which bring a large group of people into the downtown is a cornerstone of the City's Downtown Revitalization efforts. The beneficiaries are all the 10,223 residents of Lake City, located in Columbia County, Florida. The proposed amphitheater will be located in a floodplain (Zone AH) and a palustrine, unconsolidated shore, seasonally flooded (PUSC) wetland. The work footprint in the floodplain is approximately .20 acres.

Activity: 03F Open Space, Parks and Playgrounds

Project Description: Amphitheater CDBG Amount: \$690,000.00 Local Match: \$15,000.00 Total: \$705,000.00

Activity: 21A Administration

CDBG Amount: \$ 60,000.00 **Local Match:** \$ 0.00

Total: \$ 60,000.00

 Activity:
 03 Engineering

 CDBG Amount:
 \$ 0.00

 Local Match:
 \$ 35,000.00

 Total:
 \$ 35,000.00

 Total CDBG:
 \$750,000.00

 Total Local Match:
 \$50,000.00

 Total Addressed Need:
 \$800,000.00

Project Area Unmet Need #1

O3F Open Space, Parks and Playgrounds Activity - The activity proposed in this application is the construction of a fountain in Lake DeSoto adjacent to Wilson Park. An attractive water feature in Lake DeSoto will help draw area residents into the downtown for community events. Holding events which bring a large group of people into the downtown, is a cornerstone of the City's Downtown Revitalization efforts. The beneficiaries are all the 10,223 residents of Lake City, located in Columbia County, Florida. The proposed fountain will be located in a floodplain (Zone AH) and a palustrine, emergent, persistent, semi-permanently flooded (PEM1F) wetland. The work footprint in the floodplain is approximately .01 acres.

Activity: 03F Open Space, Parks and Playgrounds

Project Description: Fountain in Lake Desoto

 CDBG Amount:
 \$250,000.00

 Local Match:
 \$ 0.00

 Total:
 \$250,000.00

Project Area Unmet Need #2

O3F Open Space, Parks and Playgrounds Activity - The activity proposed is the construction of new fencing, landscaping and irrigation in Wilson Park. Attractive fencing, landscaping and irrigation in Wilson Park will help draw area residents into the downtown for community events. Holding events which bring a large group of people into the downtown is a cornerstone of the City's Downtown Revitalization efforts. The beneficiaries are all the 10,223 residents of Lake City, located in Columbia County, Florida. The proposed fencing, landscaping and irrigation will be located in a floodplain (Zone AH) and a palustrine, unconsolidated shore, seasonally flooded (PUSC) wetland. The work footprint in the floodplain is approximately .027 acres.

Activity: 03F Open Space, Parks and Playgrounds

Project Description: Decorative Fencing in Wilson Park

 CDBG Amount:
 \$ 60,000.00

 Local Match:
 \$ 0.00

 Total:
 \$ 60,000.00

Activity: 03F Open Space, Parks and Playgrounds

Project Description: Landscaping and Irrigation in Wilson Park

 CDBG Amount:
 \$ 50,000.00

 Local Match:
 \$ 0.00

 Total:
 \$ 50,000.00

 Total CDBG:
 \$110,000.00

 Total Match
 \$ 0.00

 Total Unmet Need:
 \$110,000.00

A total of .237 acres of the work to be carried out in the primary activities included in this project may be carried out within a floodplain and/or wetland.

These activities will have no significant impact on the environment for the following reason:

A portion of the project will be located in a floodplain and/or wetland. Although a portion of the project will be located in the 100-year floodplain and/or wetland, the improvements cannot be undertaken in any other location due to the scope of the project. There is, therefore, no practicable alternative than to continue with the project.

Failure to provide these improvements would result in the City of Lake City not being able to carry out the activities in the project.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Lake City has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at 205 North Marion Avenue, Lake City, Florida 32055, and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Paul Dyal, City Manager, at 205 North Marion Avenue, Lake City, Florida 32055. Comments may also be submitted via email at dyalp@lcfla.com. All comments must be received by June 27, 2023. Comments will be considered prior to the City of Lake City requesting a release of funds. Comments should specify which notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Lake City certifies to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity and HUD that Stephen Witt in his capacity as Mayor consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The State's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Lake City to use the CDBG funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

DEO will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Lake City certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Lake City; (b) the City of Lake City has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by the State; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures at 24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76 and shall be addressed to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, CDBG Program, MSC-400, 107 East Madison Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-6508. Potential objectors should contact the City of Lake City to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Stephen Witt, Mayor Environmental Certifying Official City of Lake City, Florida 205 North Marion Avenue Lake City, FL 32055 Telephone Number: (386) 719-5756