

Public Hearing: YES ☒ NO ☐

Department: Planning and Sustainability

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): All Districts

Application of the Director of Planning & Sustainability for a public hearing to consider approving a resolution to accept the planning process and development of the 2055 Unified Plan Update.

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PURPOSE:

Application of the Director of Planning & Sustainability for a public hearing to consider approving a resolution to accept the public process to develop the 2055 Unified Plan Update.

NEED/IMPACT:

The County is undertaking the State mandated 5-year update to the Comprehensive Land Use Plan portion of the 2050 Unified Plan, which shall be referred to as the 2055 Unified Plan Update. The Georgia Department of Community Affairs requires a public hearing for the first stage of public engagement and plan development. The purpose of this hearing is to brief the community on the plan development process, public engagement opportunities, priorities for the update, and obtain input on the proposed planning process.

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$75,000

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of the resolution to begin the public process of developing the 2055 Unified Plan Update

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA TO ACCEPT THE PUBLIC PROCESS TO DEVELOP THE 2055 UNIFIED PLAN UPDATE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, this is the first public hearing for the 2055 Unified Plan Update to be heard before the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners, and;

WHEREAS, this document will be prepared according to the Rules of Georgia Department of Community Affairs, Chapter 110-12-1, Minimum Standards and Procedures for Local Comprehensive Planning, effective October 1, 2018 and established by the Georgia Planning Act of 1989, and;

WHEREAS, the purpose of this hearing is to brief the community on the process to be used to develop the plan, opportunities for public participation in development of the plan, and to obtain input on the proposed planning process, and;

WHEREAS, public comments will be allowed and addressed as needed, during this hearing and begin the process of developing the plan, and;

WHEREAS, the plan will include a Land Use Element pursuant to section 110-12-1-.03(7) and comply with the Zoning Procedures Law (O.C.G.A. § 36- 66-1, et seq.), and;

WHEREAS, documentation of the required public hearings (e.g., a copy of the “tear sheet” advertising the hearing in the local newspaper, a sign-in sheet from the hearing, etc.) shall be included in the appendix of community involvement activities discussed in section 110-12-1-.02(2)(d).

NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners hereby accepts the public process to develop the 2055 Unified Plan Update, to maintain the County's Qualified Local Government certification, as required by state law.

ADOPTED by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners, the ____ day of _____, 2026.

APPROVED BY

CHAKIRA J. JOHNSON
Presiding Officer
Board of Commissioners
DeKalb County, Georgia

APPROVED by the Chief Executive Officer of DeKalb County, this ____ day of _____, 2026.

LORRAINE COCHRAN-JOHNSON
Chief Executive Officer
DeKalb County, Georgia

ATTEST:

BARBARA H. SANDERS-NORWOOD, CCC
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners
and Chief Executive Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

TERRY G. PHILLIPS
Interim County Attorney
DeKalb County, Georgia

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

JULIANA NJOKU
Director, Planning and Sustainability