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Local Government Agreement to Re-Establish the DeKalb Regional Land Bank Authority

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12/12/2019	1	PECS-Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee	recommended for approval.	Pass
12/10/2019	1	Board of Commissioners		
11/19/2019	1	Board of Commissioners		
11/14/2019	1	PECS-Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee	recommended for approval.	Pass
10/22/2019	1	Board of Commissioners		
9/24/2019	1	Board of Commissioners	deferred for 30 days	Pass
9/12/2019	1	PECS-Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee	recommended holding in committee	
8/27/2019	1	Board of Commissioners	deferred for 30 days	Pass
7/9/2019	1	Board of Commissioners	deferred for 45 days	Pass
6/27/2019	1	PECS-Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee	recommended holding in committee	
6/27/2019	1	Committee of the Whole	Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned	

Substitute

Public Hearing: YES ☐ NO ☒ **Department:** Community Development

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): Serves All

Local Government Agreement to Re-Establish the DeKalb Regional Land Bank Authority

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PURPOSE:

o consider approving the attached standard intergovernmental agreement to re-establish the DeKalb Regional Land Bank Authority pursuant to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated section 48-4-60 et seq., with the City of Lithonia, contingent upon the City of Lithonia's governing authority to participate, and authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute all necessary documents.

NEED/IMPACT:

DeKalb County in 2010 engaged in a comprehensive study on workforce housing. That report produced a major recommendation to establish a land bank in DeKalb County because at the time DeKalb County suffered a fallout of the housing crises, with a large stock of vacant, abandoned and derelict properties. Such properties present a public safety issue as it attracts crime and vandalism, brings nearby property values down and leads to further blight and unnecessary loss of otherwise decent, affordable housing. A DeKalb Regional Land Bank was established in 2011; however, became defunct after the City of Decatur pulled out. There is still a need to mitigate blighted properties and bring vacant properties back onto the tax roll.

Local Jurisdictions in Georgia are authorized to establish land banks pursuant to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated section 48-4-60 et seq. Local jurisdictions establish land banks by adopting an intergovernmental agreement between the County and at least one municipality.

All municipalities within DeKalb County are welcome to join.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No cost to the County for Memorandum of Understanding.

RECOMMENDATION:

To approve the attached standard intergovernmental agreement to re-establish the DeKalb Regional Land Bank pursuant to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated section 48-4-60 et seq., with the City of Lithonia contingent upon the City of Lithonia's governing authority's approval to participate and authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute all necessary documents.