

**DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION AGENDA – NOVEMBER 7, 2019
DAWSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER ASSEMBLY ROOM
25 JUSTICE WAY, DAWSONVILLE, GEORGIA 30534
4:00 PM**

NEW BUSINESS

1. Presentation of Request to Accept Victim of Crime Act Grant Award- District Attorney Lee Darragh
2. Presentation of Special Event Business License Application - *Kathy Roos TNT Fireworks* - Planning & Development Director Jameson Kinley
3. Presentation of Land Use Resolution Update- Planning & Development Director Jameson Kinley and Paige Hatley of Bill Ross & Associates
4. Presentation of RFP #354-19 - Request for Proposals for Consulting Services for 53 Overlay District and 400 Corridor District Update- Planning & Development Director Jameson Kinley and Purchasing Manager Melissa Hawk
5. Presentation of Request for Capital Improvements Element Adoption- Planning & Development Director Jameson Kinley
6. Presentation of 2020 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant Application and Approval Request- Public Works Director David McKee
7. Presentation of Request for Additional Funding for Increased Attorney Fees in Juvenile Court- Chief Financial Officer Vickie Neikirk
8. Presentation of FY 2019 Third Quarter Financial Report- Chief Financial Officer Vickie Neikirk
9. Presentation of Board Appointments:
 - a. Development Authority**
 - i. Jere Allen- *replacing Joel Hanner* (January 2020 through December 2023)
 - b. Planning Commission (Alternate, District 3)**
 - i. Tony Passarello- *appointment* (January 2020 through December 2021)
10. County Manager Report
11. County Attorney Report

****Executive Session may follow the Work Session meeting.***

Those with disabilities who require certain accommodations in order to allow them to observe and/or participate in this meeting, or who have questions regarding the accessibility of the meeting, should contact the ADA Coordinator at 706-344-3666, extension 44514. The county will make reasonable accommodations for those persons.



DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department: District Attorney

Work Session: 11-07-19

Prepared By: Laurie Whalen

Voting Session: 11-07-19

Presenter: Lee Darragh

Public Hearing: Yes No X

Agenda Item Title: VOCA GRANT_C18-8-263

Background Information:

Since 2017, the District Attorney's office has been awarded the VOCA (Victims of Crime Act) grant through PAC (Prosecuting Attorney's Council) & CJCC (Criminal Justice Coordinating Council).

Current Information:

The total grant amount for 2020 is \$74,419. The county match is waived for this grant and the terms are the same as the 2019 grant.

The District Attorney's Office requests that this award be voted on tonight (Nov. 7th). The award needs to be accepted and mailed by November 15th.

Budget Information: Applicable: Not Applicable: Budgeted: Yes No

Fund	Dept.	Acct No.	Budget	Balance	Requested	Remaining
250	2200					

Recommendation/Motion: Approval to accept VOCA funding for2020

Department Head Authorization: Lee Darragh

Date: 10-29-19

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 10/29/19

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 10/29/19

County Attorney Authorization: _____

Date: _____

Comments/Attachments:



PAC

Prosecuting
Attorneys'
Council of Georgia

Seeking Justice with Honor

PETER J. SKANDALAKIS
Executive Director

October 9, 2019

GEORGE HARTWIG
Chair
District Attorney
Houston Judicial Circuit

Re: Federal Fiscal Year 2020 VOCA Allocation - October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020

BARRY MORGAN
Vice Chair
Solicitor-General
Cobb County

Dear **Mr. Darragh**:

SHANNON WALLACE
Secretary
District Attorney
Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit

It is my pleasure to inform you that the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) has approved the Federal Fiscal Year 2020 VOCA Continuation Base and Comp Advocate funding applications as submitted by the Prosecuting Attorneys' Council of Georgia (PAC). Therefore, your office has been selected to receive a portion of those funds. Below are the specifics with regard to your allocation of the statewide grant distribution.

PAUL BOWDEN
District Attorney
Tifton Judicial Circuit

County: **Dawson**

Implementing Prosecuting Attorney: **District Attorney Lee Darragh**

Grant Period: **October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020**

C.R. CHISHOLM
Solicitor-General
Athens-Clarke County

Allocation 1 (Comp Advocate Funds):

Comp Advocate Federal Funds: **\$74,419**

Comp Advocate Match Waiver Request Funds: **\$18,605**

Sub-Grant Number: **C18-8-263**

GREGORY W. EDWARDS
District Attorney
Dougherty Judicial Circuit

The activation documents (see included checklist for guidelines on submitting documents) must be returned to PAC by November 15, 2019. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Kemp (kkemp@pacga.org) or at (770) 282-6364.

REBECCA GRIST
Solicitor-General
Macon-Bibb County

MARGARET D. HEAP
District Attorney
Eastern Judicial Circuit

Sincerely,

Peter J. Skandalakis
Executive Director
Prosecuting Attorneys' Council

TIMOTHY G. VAUGHN
District Attorney
Oconee Judicial Circuit



DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department: Planning & Development

Work Session: 11/7/2019

Prepared By: Harmony Gee

Voting Session: 11/21/2019

Presenter: Jameson Kinley

Public Hearing: Yes No x

Agenda Item Title: Special Event Business License - Kathy Roos TNT Fireworks

Background Information:

TNT Fireworks would be set up in the Walmart parking lot to sell fireworks from about December 26th through December 31st under a temporary 8x24 tent.

Current Information:

They had the same set up last year as well.

Budget Information: Applicable: Not Applicable: Budgeted: Yes No

Fund	Dept.	Acct No.	Budget	Balance	Requested	Remaining

Recommendation/Motion: _____

Department Head Authorization: _____

Date: _____

Finance Dept. Authorization: _____

Date: _____

County Manager Authorization: _____

Date: _____

County Attorney Authorization: _____

Date: _____

Comments/Attachments:

Special Event Business License Application

TMP 114 006 Acreage of the request 24.24

ZONING OF THE PROPERTY ~~CHB~~ CPCD

911 Street address of property: ⁹⁸156 Power Center Drive, Dawsonville, GA 30534

Submittal Date 10-10-19 Time 1:00 am/pm am Rec'd. By [Signature]
Staff initials

Board of Commissioners Work Session Date: _____
(if applicable)

Board of Commissioners Meeting Date: _____
(if applicable)

Applicant Information (Authorized Representative)

Printed Name Kathy Roos- TNT Fireworks (LACROSSE BOOSTERS CLUB)

Address _____

Phone _____

Email Address _____

Status Owner Authorized Agent Lessee Option to purchase

NOTE: If applicant is other than owner, enclosed Property Owner Authorization form must be completed.

Property Owner Information

Name Parking lot- Wal-Mart

Address _____

Phone _____

Property Information

911 Street Address of Property ⁹⁸ 186 Power Center DR, Dawsonville, GA 30534

Directions to Property North on 400. Just passed the outlet mall in the parking lot of Walmart

Tax Map & Parcel # (TMP) ~~419-039-001~~ 114 006

Land Lot(s) _____ District _____ Section _____

Commission District # 4 Julie Nix

Subdivision Name _____ Lot # _____

Current Zoning ~~CHB~~ CPCD Current Use of Property commercial parking lot
(Example: residence, farm, commercial)

SURROUNDING ZONING:

North ~~CHB~~ CPCD South CHB

East ~~CHB~~ RA West ~~RA~~ CHB

PROPOSED ACCESS:

Access to the development will be provided from:

Road Name HWY400

Type of Road Surface Asphalt

SITE PLAN: Attach detailed site plan.

Site plan notes: attached

Requested Action & Details of Proposed Use (Continued)

Is there any potentially dangerous or hazardous activity? Yes No
If yes, please describe Fireworks- only being sold

Will any national or local celebrity be participating in the event? Yes No
If yes, provide name and describe type of participation _____

Will there be any media coverage? Yes No
If yes, provide name(s) of media and describe type of coverage _____

Do you foresee any unusual or excessive burden on the Sheriff's Department, Emergency Services, County Marshal, or other county personnel? Yes No
If yes, describe _____

Not that as a condition on the issuance of a temporary special event business license, the license holder shall indemnify and hold Dawson County harmless from claims, demand, or cause of action that may arise from activities associated with the special event.

NOTE: Before signing this statement, check all answers and explanations to see that you have answered all questions fully and correctly. This statement is to be executed under oath and subject to the penalties of false swearing and it includes all attached sheets submitted herewith.

STATE OF GEORGIA, DAWSON COUNTY

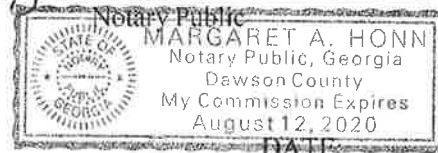
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Kathy Roos
Applicant's Signature

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT Kathy Roos SIGNED HIS/HER NAME TO THE FOREGOING APPLICATION STATING TO ME THAT HE KNEW AND UNDERSTOOD ALL STATEMENTS AND ANSWERS MADE THEREIN, AND, UNDER OATH ACTUALLY ADMINISTERED BY ME, HAS SWORN THAT SAID STATEMENTS AND ANSWERS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT.

THIS 10 DAY OF October 2019.

Margaret A. Honn



FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

APPROVALS:

Chairman, Commissioners	Board	of	_____
Sheriff			_____
Emergency		Services	_____
Environmental		Health	_____
County Marshal			_____
Planning		Director	<u>JR</u>
County Manager			_____

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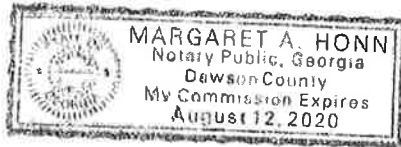
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Emergency		Services _____
Environmental		Health _____
County Marshal		_____
Planning		Director _____
County Manager		_____

Fireworks Stand at Walmart.

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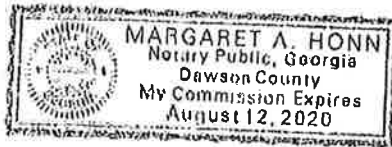
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County Marshal		_____
Planning	Director	_____
County Manager		_____

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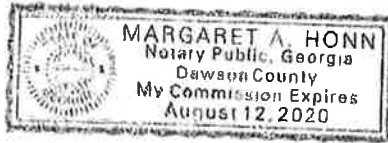
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Sheriff		
Emergency	Services	<u>JCBailey</u>
Environmental	Health	_____
County Marshal		_____
Planning	Director	_____
County Manager		_____

PROPERTY OWNER AUTHORIZATION

I / we _____ see attached letter _____ hereby swear that I / we own the property located at (fill in address and / or tax map & parcel #):

Address: 98 POWER CENTER DRIVE

TMP: 114 006

as shown in the tax maps and/or deed records of Dawson County, Georgia, and which parcel will be affected by this request. I hereby authorize the person named below to act as the applicant or agent in pursuit of a business license for a special event held on this property. I understand that any license granted, and/or conditions or stipulations placed on the property will be binding upon the property regardless of ownership. The under signer below is authorized to make this application.

Printed Name of applicant or agent Kathy Roos

Signature of applicant or agent _____ Date 9-5-19

Mailing address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone Number 770-630-8357

Printed Name of Owner(s) WALMART

Signature of Owner(s) See attached Date _____

Notary Public _____ Date _____



Notary Seal

(The complete names of all owners must be listed, if the owner is a partnership, the names of all partners must be listed, if a joint venture, the names of all members must be listed. If a separate sheet is needed to list all names, please identify as applicant or owner and have the additional sheet notarized also.)

Walmart

702 SW 8th Street
Bentonville, AR 72712
Phone 479.273.4298
Kyle.Thurman@walmart.com

September 5, 2019

To Whom It May Concern,

American Promotional Events, Inc. dba TNT Fireworks is an approved National Supplier to conduct fireworks promotions on our Walmart parking lots where this type of promotion is legal. All stores have been researched and approved by the Walmart Realty Department. Approximate time frame for the promotions are:

- December 26th, 2019 through and including January 10th, 2020.
- June 12th, 2020 through and including July 12th, 2020 with the exception of Utah which has an additional selling period through the end of July for Pioneer Days.

American Promotional Events, Inc. dba TNT Fireworks is authorized to sign for and obtain all necessary permits and/or licenses for the promotion and must display such permits and/or licenses at each stand/tent. Walmart grants permission for all patrons of the sale to utilize the restroom facilities at each participating store.

An American Promotional Events, Inc. dba TNT Fireworks representative will call you to introduce the company and discuss your participation in the event. Participation is encouraged and does add additional income to your other income account. Store Management must approve the store's participation and placement on the parking lot by store stamping the Pre-Sale Survey.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter and if you have any questions, please contact TNT Fireworks at 1-800-243-1189 or Walmart Services at 700-925-6278 – IVR Prompt Fireworks.

Best Regards,


Kyle Thurman
Walmart Services

TNT FIREWORKS FUNDRAISING

Store Manager Pre-Sale Survey

Location # FGA3874

Description	Date
Pre-Sale Interview	<u>Oct 3, 2019</u>
Anticipated Set-Up	<u>December 26</u>
Beginning Sale	<u>December 27</u>
Ending Date	<u>December 31</u>
Anticipated Take-Down	<u>Jan 10</u>
Electrical Provisions	_____
Non-Profit Preferences	_____
Notes/Special Instructions	_____

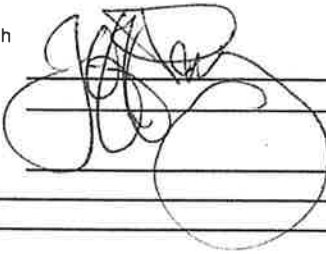
Store #	<u>#3874</u>
Address	<u>156 Power Center Dr</u>

City/State	<u>Dawsonville GA</u>
Telephone	_____
Tent / Stand	<u>8X24</u>
Size of Tent / Stand	<u>stand</u>
Est # of Parking Spaces	<u>5</u>
Barrier required: Y/N	<u>yes</u>

Please circle that placement was verified
YES / NO

Unit Placement	
N	
W	E
S	

Please insure placement does not impede customer access, visually impair store entrance, eliminate prime parking or otherwise deter in any way from non-fireworks customers.

Presale must be conducted with a Store Manager	
Store Manager spoke with	
Print Name	
Date	
Manager Notes	_____

TNT Representative	_____
Print Name	<u>Kathy Roos</u>
Date	<u>10-3-19</u>
TNT Rep Notes	_____

STORE STAMP BLOCK
Walmart 3874
98 Power Center Drive
Dawsonville, GA 30534

THIS IS NOT A LEGAL AND BINDING CONTRACT

TNT Customer Support 1.800.243.1189

White - Office

Canary - Area Manager

Pink - Store Manager



Margaret,

TNT Fireworks would like to operate a stand for the sale of consumer fireworks in the parking lot of Walmart. The stand will operate from December 26-December 31st. The hours of operation will be from 10-10. No one under the age of 18 will be managing the cash register. After hours the stand will be securely locked.

Regards,

Kathy Roos

Roosk@TNTfireworks.com

770-630-8357

Dawson County, Georgia Board of Commissioners

Affidavit for Issuance of a Public Benefit

As Required by the Georgia Illegal Immigration Reform and Enforcement Act of 2011

By executing this affidavit under oath, as an applicant for a Dawson County Business License, Out of County Business Registration, Alcohol License, or other public benefit as referenced in the Georgia Illegal Immigration Reform and Enforcement Act of 2011 [O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1(e)(2)], I am stating the following with respect to my application for such Dawson County public benefit.

X I am a United States citizen.

_____ I am a legal permanent resident of the United States. (FOR NON-CITIZENS)

_____ I am a qualified alien or non-immigrant under the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act with an alien number issued by the Department of Homeland Security or other federal immigration agency. (FOR NON-CITIZENS)

My alien number issued by the Department of Homeland Security or other federal immigration agency is:

The undersigned applicant also hereby verifies that he or she is 18 years of age or older and has provided at least one secure and verifiable document, as required by O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1(e)(1), with this affidavit. (See reverse side of this affidavit for a list of secure and verifiable documents.)

The secure and verifiable document provided with this affidavit can best be classified as:

In making the above representation under oath, I understand that any person who knowingly and willfully makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in an affidavit shall be guilty of a violation of O.C.G.A. § 16-10-20 and face criminal penalties as allowed by such criminal statute.

Executed in, Dawsonville (city), GA (state)

Kathryn G. Ross
Signature of Applicant

4/5/18
Date

Kathryn G. Ross
Printed Name

TNT Fireworks
Name of Business

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME ON THIS 5th DAY OF April, 2018

Margaret A. Honn Notary Public

My Commission Expires GARET A. HONN
Notary Public, Georgia
Dawson County
My Commission Expires
August 12, 2020

This affidavit is a State of Georgia requirement that must be completed for initial applications and renewal applications for public benefits as referenced in O.C.G.A § 50-36-1(a)(3). The person who has made application for access to public benefits on behalf of an individual, business, corporation, partnership or other private entity must complete and sign the affidavit and provide a secure and verifiable document.

Dawson County, Georgia Board of Commissioners

Private Employer Affidavit of Compliance Pursuant To O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6(d)

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned private employer verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm or corporation employs more than ten employees and has registered with and utilizes the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. § 13-10-90. Furthermore, the undersigned private employer hereby attests that its federal work authorization user identification number and date of authorization are as follows:

494008

Federal Work Authorization User Identification Number

4-1-12

Date of Authorization

TNT Fireworks

Name of Private Employer

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Kathryn G. Ross

Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent

Kathryn G. Ross - Permit specialist

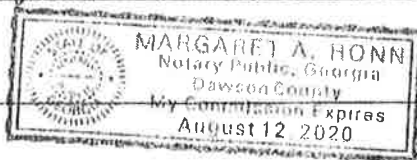
Printed Name and Title of Authorized Officer or Agent

Subscribed and Sworn to me in the City of Dawsonville, GA (state) on this
the 5th day of April, 2018.

Margaret A. Honn

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:



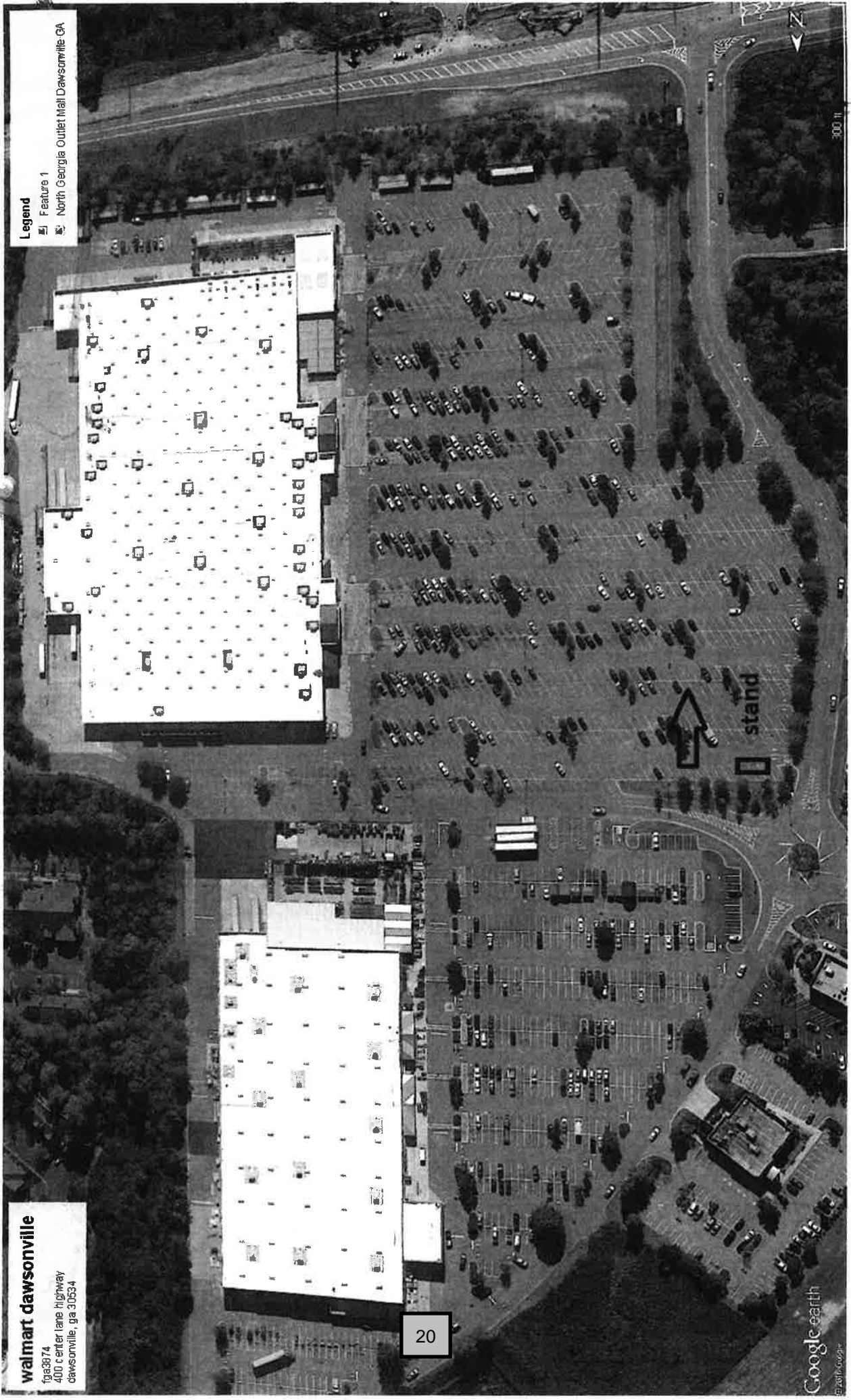
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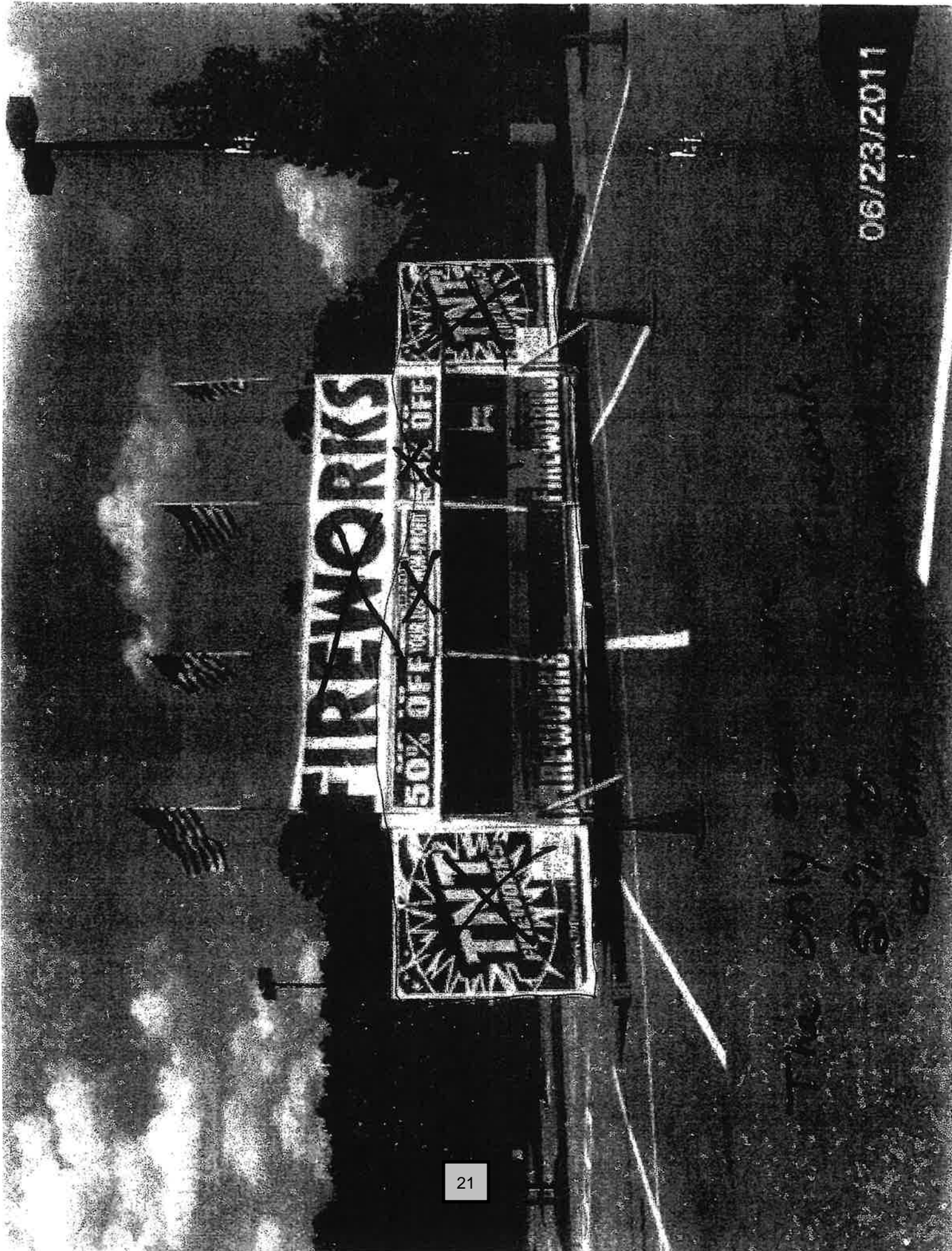


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walmart dawsonville
fna3874
400 center lane highway
dawsonville, ga 30534

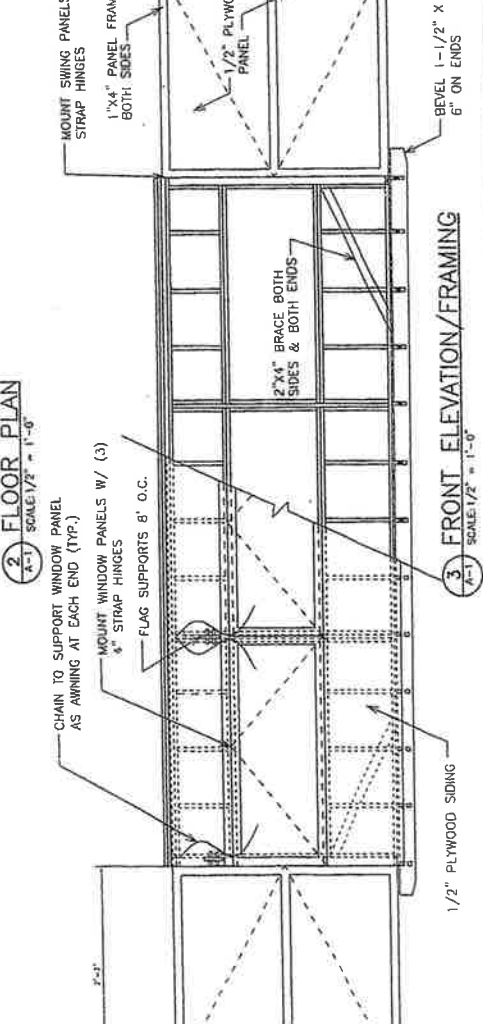
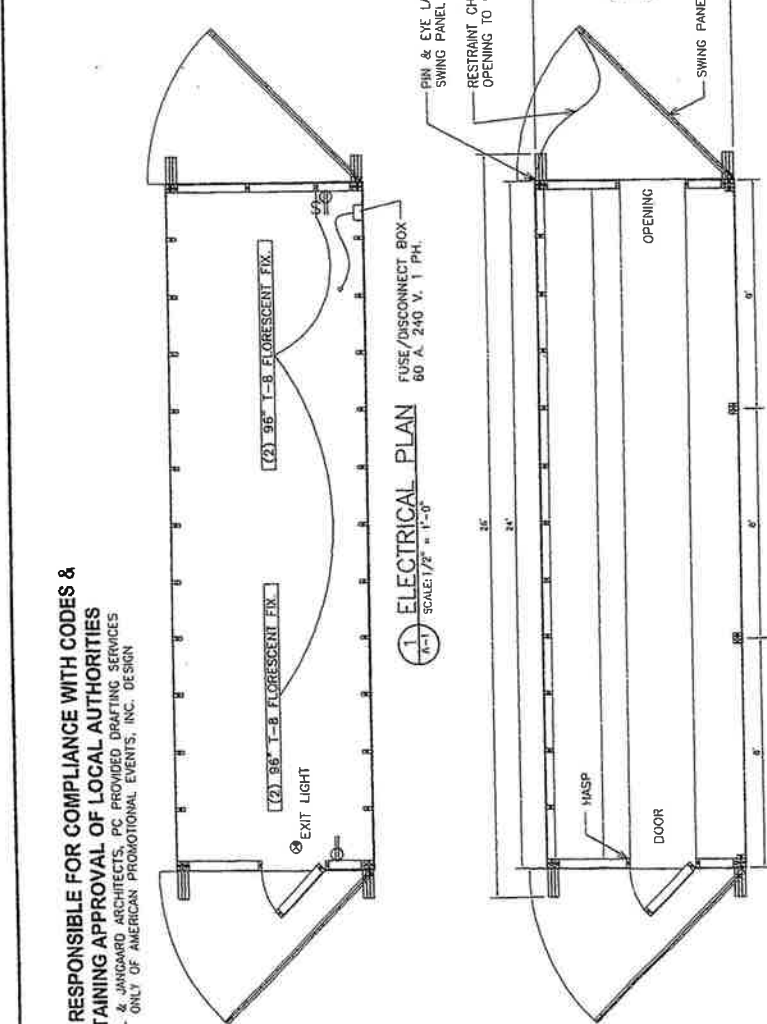
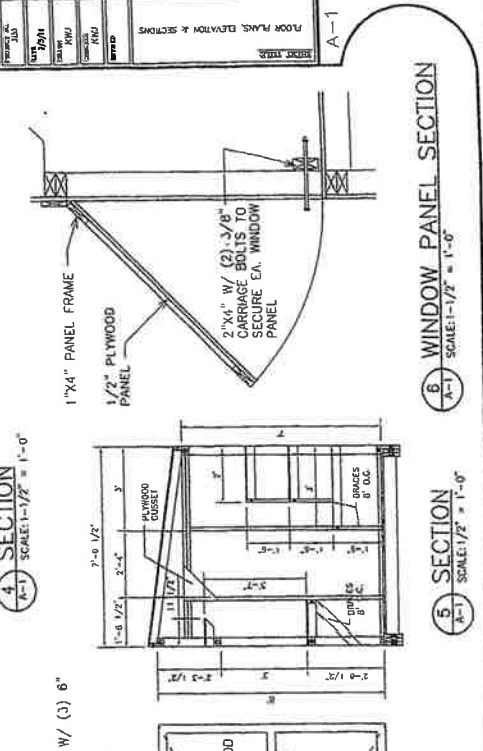
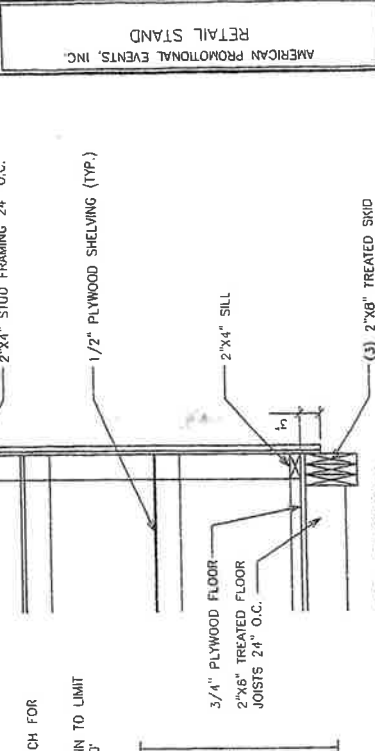
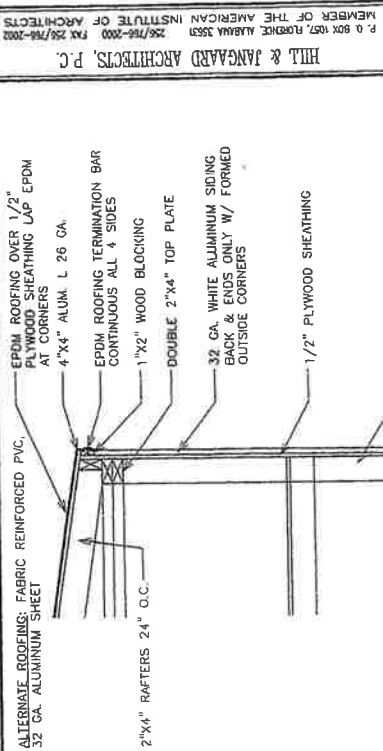
Legend
Feature 1
North Georgia Outlet Mall Dawsonville GA





06/23/2011

OWNER RESPONSIBLE FOR COMPLIANCE WITH CODES & OBTAINING APPROVAL OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES
 HILL & JANGARD ARCHITECTS, P.C. PROVIDED DRAFTING SERVICES
 ONLY OF AMERICAN PROMOTIONAL EVENTS, INC. DESIGN





CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

11/1/2019

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

11/1/2018

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an **ADDITIONAL INSURED**, the policy(ies) must have **ADDITIONAL INSURED** provisions or be endorsed. If **SUBROGATION IS WAIVED**, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER Lockton Companies 3280 Peachtree Road NE, Suite #250 Atlanta GA 30305 (404) 460-3600	CONTACT NAME: _____ PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): _____ FAX (A/C, No): _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____	
	INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE	
INSURED 1359683 American Promotional Events, Inc. DBA TNT Fireworks, Inc.	INSURER A: Everest Indemnity Insurance Company	
	INSURER B: Maxum Indemnity Company	
	INSURER C: _____	
	INSURER D: _____	
	INSURER E: _____	
	INSURER F: _____	

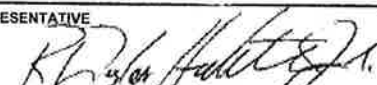
COVERAGES **CERTIFICATE NUMBER:** 14107678 **REVISION NUMBER:** XXXXXXXX

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSD	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
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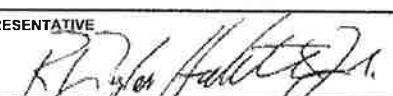
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Consumer Fireworks Distribution License

The following Branch Store, as defined in NFPA 1124, 2006, is authorized to sell Retail fireworks in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Safety Fire Commissioner, Chapter 120-3-22 and O.C.G.A. Section 25-10-5 under the license of its main office as also defined in NFPA 1124, 2006, shown below.

License Holder:

WALMART #0003
30983 HWY 441 SOUTH
COMMERCE, GA 30529

Store Name:

WALMART #3874
156 POWDER CENTER DR
DAWSONVILLE, GA 30534

This certificate is dependent on the status of the main office license. Provided that license remains in good standing, this certificate will expire on January 31, 2020



No more than 1000 lbs of fireworks are allowed in this location at any given time.

M. Dwayne Garriss
State Fire Marshal



DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department: Planning & Development

Work Session: 11/7/19

Prepared By: Harmony Gee

Voting Session: 11/21/19

Presenter: Jameson Kinley & Paige Hatley

Public Hearing: Yes No

Agenda Item Title: Presentation of Dawson County Land Use Resolution Update

Background Information:

The Board of Commissioners requested that the Land Use Resolution be updated by Planning & Development. RFP was awarded to Bill Ross & Associates.

Current Information:

We have been working with Paige Hatley for the past several months creating 2 new zoning classifications, a land use chart, and updating language.

Budget Information: Applicable: Not Applicable: Budgeted: Yes No

Fund	Dept.	Acct No.	Budget	Balance	Requested	Remaining

Recommendation/Motion: _____

Department Head Authorization: _____

Date: _____

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 10/29/19

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 10/29/19

County Attorney Authorization: _____

Date: _____

Comments/Attachments:

LAND USE RESOLUTION of DAWSON COUNTY, GEORGIA

Approved and Adopted in Regular Session by

The Board of Commissioners
February 23, 1998
Amended June 22, 1998
Amended May 1, 2003
Amended December 16, 2004
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Amended March 15, 2018

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Chris Gaines, District 2
Tim Satterfield, District 3
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NOTE: The amended or revised date above will be updated with each change to the resolution, the Planning and Development department can inform you of the most current edition.

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**ARTICLE I
TITLE, PURPOSE, AND JURISDICTION**

Section 100. Title.

This Resolution shall be known and may be cited as the Dawson County Land Use Resolution.

Section 101. Purpose.

The purpose of this Resolution is to advance and encourage the development of economically sound and stable land use patterns within the unincorporated areas of Dawson County, Georgia; to reduce or eliminate the occurrence of certain conditions, which may threaten the safety, health, morals, or general welfare of the citizens of Dawson County. In order to insure this purpose is maintained and prevent arbitrary or unreasonable land use and districting decisions, this Resolution has been prepared and is administered with guidance from the following:

- A. Future District Map (Article VIII)
- B. Present Land Use District Map (Article VII)
- C. Guidelines for Granting Amendments (Article X)
- D. Guidelines for Granting Variances (Article IX)
- E. Constitution of the State of Georgia, 1983, Article IX, Section II, Paragraph IV.

This Resolution provides for the establishment of Land Use Districts; Residential Land Use Districts; Commercial Land Use Districts; variance and amendment procedures; future and present district maps; administrative and enforcement procedures; general provisions; powers of various county officials; and definitions of terms used. This Resolution has been prepared in accordance with and pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Georgia, 1983, Article IX, Section II, Paragraph IV.

Section 102. Jurisdiction.

This Resolution applies to all the land within the unincorporated areas within the political boundary of Dawson County, Georgia.

**ARTICLE II
ESTABLISHMENT OF LAND USE DISTRICTS**

Section 200. Purpose.

The purpose of this Article is to establish and explain Land Use Districts used in this Resolution and to divide Dawson County into Land Use Districts.

Section 201. Land Use Districts Established.

Under this Resolution, Dawson County is divided into the following Land Use Districts:

A. Residential Land Use Districts

- 1. RT Residential Town
- 2. RL Residential Lakefront
- 3. RS Residential Suburban (1 du/acre)
- ~~4.~~ RS-2 Residential Suburban (2 du/acre)
- ~~5.~~ RS-3 Residential Suburban (3 du/acre)
- ~~46.~~ RSR Residential Sub-Rural
- ~~57.~~ RSRMM Residential Sub-Rural Manufactured/Moved
- ~~68.~~ RMF Residential Multiple-family
- ~~72.~~ VCR Vacation Cottage Restricted (deleted category)
- ~~810.~~ VC Vacation Cottage (deleted category)
- ~~911.~~ RA Residential Exurban/Agricultural
- ~~1011.~~ RRE Residential Rural Estate
- ~~1112.~~ RPC Residential Planned Community
- ~~1213.~~ RMHP Residential Manufactured/ Mobile Home Park

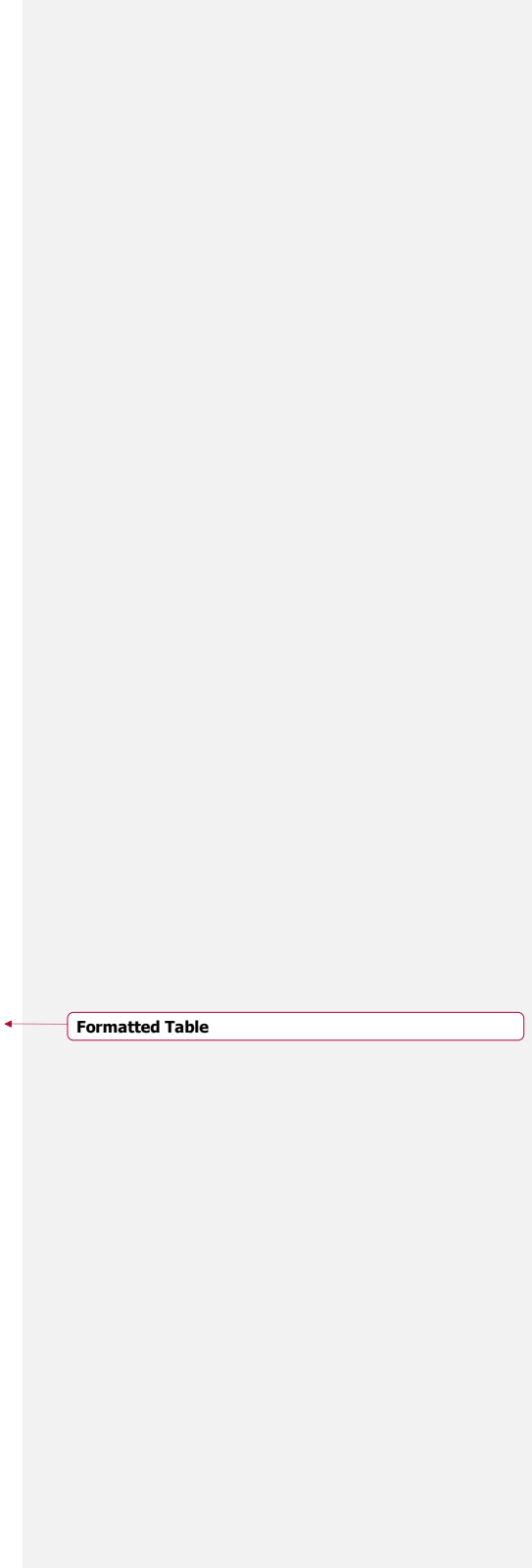
B. Commercial Land Use Districts

- 1. C-RB Rural Business
- 2. C-CB Community Business
- 3. C-HB Highway Business
- 4. C-PCD Planned Comprehensive Development
- 5. C-OI Office, Institutional
- 6. C-IR Industrial Restricted
- 7. ~~Commercial-Telecommunication~~ Tower
~~(CONDITIONAL USE)~~

C. Mixed Use Village (MUV)

Section 202. Land Use Districts Explained.

Land Use Districts are areas of land within the county, which have different standards for development and use. These standards and uses are prescribed in order to provide the citizens of Dawson County with economically sound and stable land development to protect established values; protect the citizens of Dawson County from fire and health dangers; plan for growth within the county consistent with the ability to provide adequate services to the present and future citizens of Dawson County.



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**ARTICLE III
RESIDENTIAL LAND USE DISTRICTS**

Section 300. Purpose.

The purpose of this Article is to establish Residential Land Use Districts and to provide standards for development and use. Residential Districts are established to prevent incompatible uses, which could reduce or destroy established values or environment within communities in Dawson County. This Resolution provides guidelines for change or development and gives citizens an opportunity for input into the decision-making process before significant changes are made that affect the county.

A. General Requirements.

1. Non dwelling structures ~~to include but not limited to: Campers, travel trailers, recreational vehicles, motor homes, busses, and utility buildings, cannot shall not~~ be connected to utilities and ~~cannot shall not~~ be used as a dwelling in any zoning district. Non dwelling structures include but are not limited to: campers, travel trailers, recreational vehicles, motor homes, busses, and utility buildings.
2. Only one principal residence per parcel of land is allowed.

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Section 301. RT Residential Town.

Residential Town Districts are areas where urbanized single family residential growth occurs near the City limits of Dawsonville. These areas are typified by small lot single-family construction with access to public water and sewer. Uses that will devalue investment and undermine environmental quality are prohibited. Buffers should be provided from more intensive or commercial development.

A. Permitted Uses. ~~The following uses are allowed within this district. Uses not listed in this Subsection are prohibited in this district.~~

1. Principal uses that are allowed by right or by special use approval are listed on Table 3.1 at the end of this Chapter.
~~Single family dwellings with on-site construction only. Only one principal residence per parcel of land.~~
2. Restrictions that apply to particular uses allowed by right or special use approval are referenced on Table 3.1 and are contained in Section 317 of this Chapter.
~~Short Term Home Rentals in accord with the definition of "short term home rental" and that also comply with the following requirements:~~
 - a. ~~Only one rental residence is allowed per parcel.~~
 - b. ~~Must obtain a permit from the Dawson County Planning and Development department.~~
 - c. ~~Must remit all applicable hotel/motel taxes as necessary and required by law.~~
 - d. ~~Parking must be provided off-street for a minimum of two (2) vehicles.~~
 - e. ~~Maximum occupancy is limited to two persons per bedroom plus two additional persons per household from 11 PM to 8 AM.~~
 - f. ~~Short Term Rental Permit requirements:~~
 - i. ~~The permit shall include the name and phone number of the owner and operator who is available 24 hours a day seven days a week to respond to complaints regarding the operation or occupancy of the short term rental unit.~~
 - ii. ~~The permit shall include a notarized statement signed by the owner/ operator that the short term rental shall be in compliance with these regulations.~~

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~~iii. Proof of ownership is required at time of permitting.~~

~~Churches or other places of worship and cemeteries.~~

~~43. Accessory Allowed accessory uses, such as include private garages, swimming pools, home workshops, tennis courts, children's play houses, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, and home offices that meet the requirements of this Section and Article VI, Section 611. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.~~

~~a. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.~~

~~b. The use of an accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited.~~

~~c. Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater, with the exception that Exception: When the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size but shall meet all setback requirements.~~

~~d. Minimum Setbacks for Accessory Structures: Front Yard – 40 feet; side yard 5 feet; and Rear Yard 10 feet.~~

~~a. Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater.~~

~~i. Exception: When the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, then the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size but shall meet all setback requirements.~~

~~a. The use of an accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited.~~

The minimum area, yard, principal building setback, and building requirements in the RT Land Use District are as set forth herein in Table 3.2 unless a variance is approved.

~~3. Minimum Setbacks for Accessory Structures: Front Yard – 40 feet; side yard 5 feet; and~~

Section 302. RL Residential Lakefront.

Residential Lakefront Districts are areas of single family residential growth that continue to infill around Lake Lanier. These areas are typified by small lot single-family construction with access to public water and are found on, or very near, the lake shore. Uses that will devalue investment and undermine environmental quality are prohibited. Conservation subdivisions are welcomed in this district. However, buffers shall be provided from more intensive or commercial development.

A. Permitted Uses. ~~The following uses are allowed within this district. Uses not listed in this Subsection are prohibited in this district.~~

- 1. ~~Single family dwellings with on-site construction only. Only one principal residence per parcel of land. Principal uses that are allowed by right or by special use approval are listed on Table 3.1 at the end of this Article.~~
- 2. ~~Restrictions that apply to particular uses allowed by right or by special use approval are referenced on Table 3.1 and are contained in Section 317 of this Article.~~
~~Bed and Breakfast establishment in accord with the definition of "bed and breakfast" and that complies with the following requirements:~~

- ~~a. Bed and Breakfast Permit requirements:

 - i. ~~The permit shall include the name and phone number of the owner/operator whose primary residence is the Bed and Breakfast.~~
 - ii. ~~Only one Bed and Breakfast is allowed per parcel.~~
 - iii. ~~The number of guest rooms is limited to one less than the total number of bedrooms in the dwelling unit, with an overall maximum of 6 guest rooms. Maximum occupancy is limited to two adults per guest room.~~
 - iv. ~~Must remit all applicable hotel/motel taxes.~~
 - v. ~~The permit shall include a notarized statement signed by the owner/operator that the Bed and Breakfast shall be in compliance with these regulations.~~
 - vi. ~~Proof of ownership is required at time of permitting.~~
 - vii. ~~Bed and Breakfast structure must have a Certificate of Occupancy prior to issuance of permit.~~
 - viii. ~~Unless revoked the Bed and Breakfast permit is valid for one year from the date of issuance of the permit.~~
 - ix. ~~Structure must be inspected and approved by Dawson County Fire Marshal and Building Official prior to the issuance of the Bed and Breakfast permit.~~
 - x. ~~Off street parking spaces must be provided and screened from the view of adjoining property uses and the public street.~~
 - xi. ~~If the permit is revoked or denied, it may be appealed to the Board of Commissioners.~~~~

- 3. ~~Short Term Home Rentals in accord with the definition of "short term home rental" and that also comply with the following requirements:~~

- ~~a. Only one rental residence is allowed per parcel.~~
- ~~b. Must obtain a permit from the Dawson County Planning and Development department.~~
- ~~c. Must remit all applicable hotel/motel taxes as necessary and required by law.~~
- ~~d. Parking~~

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must be provided off street for a minimum of two (2) vehicles:

4. ~~Churches or other places of worship and cemeteries.~~

~~53. Allowed accessory uses, such as include private garages, swimming pools, home workshops, tennis courts, children's play houses, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, and home offices that meet the requirements of this Section and Article VI, Section 611. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.~~

~~a. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.~~

~~b. Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater, with the exception that Exception: When the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size but shall meet all setback requirements.~~

~~b.c. The use of an accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited.~~

~~d. Minimum Setbacks for Accessory Structures: Front Yard -100 feet on parkways, 60 feet on state highways, 40 feet; on others; Side Yard 5 feet; and Rear Yard 10 feet.~~

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B. Prohibited Uses.

~~1. Commercial Uses: Any principal use not shown on Table 3.1 as allowed in a zoning district, whether by right or with approval as a special use, is specifically prohibited.~~

~~2. Industrial Uses.~~

~~3. Manufactured (Mobile) Homes and houses moved from other locations (excluding industrialized modular homes) are prohibited.~~

~~42. In addition, Animals-animals which individually or in numbers, create a nuisance by noise, smell, unsanitary or visual effects; are prohibited. Horses on lots less than 3 acres and stables housing horses other than those owned by the resident are prohibited. Kennels for the breeding of any animal for sale are prohibited. Pet fowl or birds may be kept in cages under the same provisions. Swine are prohibited. No swine are permitted.~~

~~5. Any use not permitted in accord with the terms hereof.~~

The minimum area, yard, principal building setback, and building requirements in the RL Land Use District are as set forth ~~herein on Table 3.2~~, unless a variance is approved.

~~1. Minimum Lot Size: 1.50 acre on septic tank and well; 0.75 acre on septic and community or public water; 0.75 acre on public water and sewer; minimum width at building line -75 feet, minimum depth -100 feet.~~

Section 303. RS Residential Suburban.

Residential Suburban Districts are areas where low-density single family residential growth occurs in the southeastern portion of Dawson County. These areas are typified by conventional subdivision development and suburban style, single-family, on-site construction that may not have access to public sewer. Uses that will devalue investment and undermine environmental quality are prohibited. Conservation subdivisions are welcome in this district. However, buffers shall be provided from more intensive or commercial development.

A. Permitted Uses. ~~The following uses are allowed within this district. Uses not listed in this Subsection are prohibited in this district.~~

1. ~~Principal uses that are allowed by right or by special use approval are listed on Table 3.1 at the end of this Article. Single family dwellings with on-site construction only. Only one principal residence per parcel of land~~
2. ~~Restrictions that apply to particular uses allowed by right or special use approval are referenced on Table 3.1 and are contained in Section 317 of this Article. Churches or other places of worship and cemeteries~~

~~2.3. Accessory Allowed accessory uses include such as private garages, swimming pools, home workshops, tennis courts, children's play houses, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, and home offices that meet the requirements of this Section and Article VI, Section 611. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.~~

- a. ~~Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.~~
- b. ~~Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater, with the exception that Exception: When the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size but shall meet all setback requirements.~~

~~c. The use of an accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited.~~

~~d. Minimum Setbacks for Accessory Structures: Front Yard – 40 feet; Side Yard 5 feet; and Rear Yard 10 feet~~

~~Accessory uses, such as private garages, swimming pools, home workshops, tennis courts, children's play houses, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, and home offices. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.~~

- a. ~~Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater.~~
- i. ~~Exception: When the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, then the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size but shall meet all setback requirements.~~
4. ~~Short Term Home Rentals in accord with the definition of "short term home rental" and that also comply with the following requirements:~~

- a. ~~Only one rental residence is allowed per parcel.~~
- b. ~~Must obtain a permit from the Dawson County Planning and~~

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Development department.

B. Prohibited Uses.

1. ~~Commercial Uses. Any principal use not shown on Table 3.1 as allowed in a zoning district, whether by right or with approval as a special use, is specifically prohibited.~~

~~3. Manufactured (Mobile) Homes and houses moved from other locations are prohibited.~~

4. ~~In addition, A~~ animals that individually or in numbers, create a nuisance by noise, smell, unsanitary or visual effects. Horses are prohibited. Kennels for the breeding of any animal for sale are prohibited. Pet fowl or birds may be kept in cages. ~~No S~~ swine are ~~prohibited~~ permitted.

~~5. Any use not permitted in accord with the term hereof.~~

C. Building Requirements.

The minimum area, yard, principal building setback, and building requirements in the RS Land Use District are as ~~follows~~ set forth on Table 3.2, unless a variance is approved:

~~1. Minimum Lot Size: 1.50 acre on septic tank and well; 1 acre on septic and community or public water; 1 acre on public water and sewer; minimum width at building line – 75 feet, minimum depth – 100 feet.~~

Section 304. RS-2 Residential Suburban.

R-2 Residential Suburban Districts are areas where low density single family residential growth with access to public sewer occurs in the southeastern portion of Dawson County. These areas are typified by conventional subdivision development and suburban style, single-family, on-site construction. Uses that will devalue investment and undermine environmental quality are prohibited. Conservation subdivisions are welcome in this district. However, buffers shall be provided from more intensive or commercial development.

A. Permitted Uses.

1. Principal uses that are allowed by right or by special use approval are listed on Table 3.1 at the end of this Article.
2. Restrictions that apply to particular uses allowed by right or special use approval are referenced on Table 3.1 and are contained in Section 317 of this Article.
3. Allowed accessory uses include private garages, swimming pools, home workshops, tennis courts, children's play houses, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, and home offices that meet the requirements of this Section and Article VI, Section 611.
 - a. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.
 - b. Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater, with the exception that when the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size but shall meet all setback requirements.
 - c. The use of an accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited.
 - d. Minimum Setbacks for Accessory Structures: Front Yard – 40 feet; Side Yard 5 feet; and Rear Yard 10 feet

B. Prohibited Uses.

1. Any principal use not shown on Table 3.1 as allowed in a zoning district, whether by right or with approval as a special use, is specifically prohibited.
2. In addition, animals that individually or in numbers, create a nuisance by noise, smell, unsanitary or visual effects. Horses are prohibited. Kennels for the breeding of any animal for sale are prohibited. Pet fowl or birds may be kept in cages. Swine are prohibited.

C. Building Requirements.

The minimum area, yard, principal building setback, and building requirements in the RS-2 Land Use District are as set forth on Table 3.2, unless a variance is approved.

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Section 305. RS-3 Residential Suburban.

R-3 Residential Suburban Districts are areas where moderate density single family residential growth with access to public sewer occurs in the southeastern portion of Dawson County. These areas are typified by conventional subdivision development and suburban style, single-family, on-site construction. Uses that will devalue investment and undermine environmental quality are prohibited. Conservation subdivisions are welcome in this district. However, buffers shall be provided from more intensive or commercial development.

A. Permitted Uses.

1. Principal uses that are allowed by right or by special use approval are listed on Table 3.1 at the end of this Article.
2. Restrictions that apply to particular uses allowed by right or special use approval are referenced on Table 3.1 and are contained in Section 317 of this Article.
3. Allowed accessory uses include private garages, swimming pools, home workshops, tennis courts, children's play houses, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, and home offices that meet the requirements of this Section and Article VI, Section 611.
 - a. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.
 - b. Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater, with the exception that when the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size but shall meet all setback requirements.
 - c. The use of an accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited.
 - d. Minimum Setbacks for Accessory Structures: Front Yard – 40 feet; Side Yard 5 feet; and Rear Yard 10 feet

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B. Prohibited Uses.

1. Any principal use not shown on Table 3.1 as allowed in a zoning district, whether by right or with approval as a special use, is specifically prohibited.
2. In addition, animals that individually or in numbers, create a nuisance by noise, smell, unsanitary or visual effects. Horses are prohibited. Kennels for the breeding of any animal for sale are prohibited. Pet fowl or birds may be kept in cages. Swine are prohibited.

C. Building Requirements.

The minimum area, yard, principal building setback, and building requirements in the RS-3 Land Use District are as set forth on Table 3.2, unless a variance is approved.

Section 304306. RSR Residential Sub-Rural

Residential Sub-Rural Districts are areas where substantial investment in permanent residences has been and will be made. Uses that will devalue investment and undermine environmental quality are prohibited. The size of lots should be large with a pleasing environment and should be located away from intensive or commercial development. Conservation subdivisions are welcome in this district, however, buffers shall be provided from more intensive or commercial development. Manufactured, relocated, or temporary housing is not permitted.

A. Permitted Uses. ~~Uses not listed in this Subsection are prohibited in this district.~~

1. ~~Principal uses that are allowed by right or by special use approval are listed on Table 3.1 at the end of this Article. Single family dwellings with on-site construction only. Only one principal residence per parcel of land.~~
2. ~~Restrictions that apply to particular uses allowed by right or special use approval are referenced on Table 3.1 and are contained in Section 317 of this Article. Churches or other places of worship and cemeteries.~~
3. ~~Allowed accessory uses include private garages, swimming pools, home workshops, tennis courts, children's play houses, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, and home offices that meet the requirements of this Section and Article VI, Section 611.~~
 - a. ~~Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.~~
 - b. ~~Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater, with the exception that when the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size but shall meet all setback requirements.~~
 - c. ~~The use of an accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited.~~
 - d. ~~Minimum Setbacks for Accessory Structures: Front Yard – 100 feet on parkways, 60 feet on state highways, 40 feet on others; Side Yard 5 feet; and Rear Yard 10 feet~~

~~Accessory uses, such as private garages, swimming pools, home workshops, tennis courts, children's play houses, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, and home offices. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.~~

- a. ~~Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater.~~
- i. ~~Exception: When the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, then the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size, but shall meet all setback requirements.~~

4. ~~Short Term Home Rentals in accord with the definition of "short term home rental" and that also comply with the following requirements:~~

- a. ~~Only one rental residence is allowed per parcel.~~
- b. ~~Must obtain a permit from the Dawson County Planning and Development department.~~
- c. ~~Must remit all applicable hotel/motel taxes as necessary and required by law.~~
- d. ~~Parking must be provided off street for a minimum of two (2) vehicles.~~
- e. ~~Maximum occupancy is limited to two persons per bedroom plus two additional~~

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~~persons per household from 11 PM to 8 AM.~~

B. Prohibited Uses.

1. ~~Any principal use not shown on Table 3.1 as allowed in a zoning district, whether by right or with approval as a special use, is specifically prohibited.~~ Commercial Uses.

~~2. Industrial Uses.~~

3. ~~Manufactured (Mobile) Homes and houses moved from other locations (Except industrialized single-family modular homes).~~

4. ~~In addition, An~~ animals which individually or in numbers, create a nuisance by noise, smell, unsanitary or visual effects are prohibited. Animals such as dogs and cats are permitted when their number in relation to area does not create a nuisance to neighbors. Kennels for the breeding of any animal for sale are prohibited. Pet fowl or birds may be kept in cages under the same provisions. No swine are permitted. Horses are prohibited on lots less than (3) acres.

5. ~~Horses are prohibited on lots less than (3) acres.~~

~~6. Any use not permitted in accord with terms hereof.~~

The minimum area, yard, principal building setback, and building requirements in the RSR Land Use District are as ~~follows~~ set forth on Table 3.2, unless a variance is approved:

1. ~~Minimum Lot Size: 1.50 acre on septic tank and well; 1 acre on septic and community or public water; minimum width at building line 100 feet, minimum depth 150 feet.~~

Section 305307. RSRMM Residential Sub-Rural Manufactured/Moved

Residential Sub-Rural Manufactured/Moved Districts are similar to RSR Districts except that Manufactured Housing and houses moved from other locations are ~~permitted~~allowed.

A. Permitted Uses. ~~Uses not listed in this Subsection are prohibited in this district.~~

1. ~~Principal uses that are allowed by right or by special use approval are referenced on Table 3.1 at the end of this Article. Single family dwellings with on-site construction only. Only one principal residence per parcel of land.~~
2. ~~Restrictions that apply to particular uses allowed by right or special use approval are referenced on Table 3.1 and are contained in Section 317 of this Article. Churches or other places of worship and cemeteries.~~
3. ~~Allowed accessory uses include private garages, swimming pools, home workshops, tennis courts, children's play houses, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, and home offices that meet the requirements of this Section and Article VI, Section 611.~~
 - a. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.
 - b. ~~Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater, with the exception that when the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size but shall meet all setback requirements.~~
 - c. ~~The use of an accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited.~~
 - d. ~~Minimum Setbacks for Accessory Structures: Front Yard – 40 feet; Side Yard 5 feet; and Rear Yard 10 feet~~

~~Accessory uses, such as private garages, swimming pools, home workshops, tennis courts, children's play houses, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, and home offices. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.~~

- a. ~~Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater.~~
- i. ~~Exception: When the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, then the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size, but shall meet all setback requirements.~~
4. ~~Short Term Home Rentals in accord with the definition of "short term home rental" and that also comply with the following requirements:~~
 - a. ~~Only one rental residence is allowed per parcel.~~
 - b. ~~Must obtain a permit from the Dawson County Planning and Development department.~~
 - c. ~~Must remit all applicable hotel/motel taxes as necessary and required by law.~~
 - d. ~~Parking must be provided off-street for a minimum of two (2) vehicles.~~
 - e. ~~Maximum occupancy is limited to two persons per bedroom plus two additional persons per household from 11 PM to 8 AM.~~
 - f. ~~Short Term Rental Permit requirements:~~
 - i. ~~The permit shall include the name and phone number of the owner and operator who is available 24 hours a day seven days a week to respond to complaints regarding the operation or occupancy of the short term rental unit.~~

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~~ii. The permit shall include a notarized statement signed by the owner/ operator that the short term rental shall be in compliance with these regulations.~~

B. Prohibited Uses.

1. ~~Commercial Uses~~Any principal use not shown on Table 3.1 as allowed in a zoning district, whether by right or with approval as a special use, is specifically prohibited.

~~2. Industrial Uses:~~

~~32. In addition, An~~animals, which individually or in numbers, create a nuisance by noise, smell, unsanitary or visual effects are prohibited. Animals such as dogs and cats are ~~allowed~~permitted when their number in relation to area does not create a nuisance to neighbors. Kennels for the breeding of any animal for sale are prohibited. Pet fowl or birds may be kept in cages under the same provisions. ~~Swine are prohibited~~No swine are permitted. Horses are prohibited on lots less than (3) acres.

~~4. Any use not permitted in accord with the terms hereof.~~

C. Building Requirements.

Unless a variance is approved, the minimum area, yard, principal building setback, and building requirements in the RSRMM District are the same as in the RSR District.

D. Manufactured Home Compatibility Standards. Manufactured or mobile homes are allowed provided that only one such principal residence is permitted per lot and shall be subject to the following compatibility standards:

1. The home shall be attached to a permanent foundation; each home shall be provided with anchors and tie downs such as cast-in-place concrete dead men or other similar devices, which secure the stability of the home, approved by the Building Official.
2. There is no age restriction on a mobile home or moved in house, however, any mobile home or moved in house proposed for setup and placement within Dawson County may be subject to inspection at the discretion of the Building Official to determine sound condition and compliance with this resolution prior to permitting.
3. All towing devices, wheels, axles and hitches must be removed.
4. At each exit door there must be a landing that is a minimum of forty-eight inches (48") by forty-eight inches (48").
5. The roof shall have a surface of wood shakes, asphalt composition, wood shingles, concrete, fiberglass, or metals tiles, slate built up gravel materials, or other similar materials approved by the Building Official. All roofs shall have a minimum 4/12 pitch to approximate the traditional architecture within the county to protect the public health, safety and welfare.
6. The exterior siding materials shall consist of wood, masonry, concrete, stucco, Masonite, metal or vinyl lap or other materials of like appearance.
7. Each home shall be completely skirted with an appropriate barrier, properly ventilated, to enclose the area between the bottom of the structure and the ground. Such skirting shall not be required for that home with a complete masonry or concrete perimeter foundation.

8. Each home shall be established in accordance with the installation instructions from the manufacturer, as appropriate.
9. All utility connections, including but not limited to water, sanitary sewer/septic tank, electricity and gas shall be made as required by all building codes of the county.
10. Said home shall compare aesthetically to site-built and other housing in the immediate general area within the same zoning or residential district or area.

~~11. Non-dwelling structures to include but not limited to: Campers, travel trailers, recreational vehicles, motor homes, busses, and utility buildings, cannot be connected to utilities and cannot be used as a dwelling in any zoning district.~~

306308. RMF Residential Multi-Family

Residential Multi-Family Districts are intended to provide suitable land for a variety of dwelling types at medium to high densities (up to six units per acre) in areas served by public water and public sewer facilities. Mobile Home Parks are not included in this district.

A. Permitted Uses. ~~Uses not listed in this Subsection are prohibited in this district.~~

1. ~~Principal uses that are allowed by right or by special use approval are listed on Table 3.1 at the end of this Article. Apartments, duplexes, triplexes, quadplexes, semi-detached residences and townhouses.~~

2. ~~Restrictions that apply to particular uses allowed by right or special use approval are referenced on Table 3.1 and are contained in Section 317 of this Article. Condominiums as a form of ownership.~~

3. ~~Churches or other places of worship and cemeteries.~~

4. ~~Private Amenity areas such as swimming pools, tennis courts, children's play areas, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, fitness and recreations centers, club house or community rooms and other similar uses provided that the following conditions are met:~~

a. ~~Adequate parking area is provided for the amenity area; typically a minimum of 15 parking spaces, unless a variance is approved.~~

b. ~~The area is fenced and landscaped. All pools should be landscaped and screened such that at least 50% of the view from the public road is obscured.~~

c. ~~An amenity area is constructed and completed in the first phase of the development.~~

d. ~~Additional Amenities may be shown as a part of a specific phase(s) of a master plan and must also be constructed within said phase.~~

e. ~~Lighting is provided for the parking area and all walkways and pedestrian access points.~~

5. ~~Allowed Accessory accessory uses such as include mail box banks, private laundry facilities, waste receptacle loading areas, and home offices occupations if requirements in Article VI, Section 611 are met.~~

a. ~~Accessory uses must be located within the proposed development.~~

b. ~~The use of an accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited.~~

6. ~~Animals such as dogs or cats owned by the resident for their personal enjoyment in compliance with the Dawson County Animal Control Ordinance and not for commercial purposes.~~

7. ~~Home Occupations if requirements in Article VI, Section 611 are met.~~

e) ~~The use of an accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited.~~

8. ~~Public parks and amenity areas.~~

9. ~~Schools and other public buildings.~~

10. ~~Public Utilities with a maximum gross total of 400 sq. ft. of structure per parcel, unless a variance is approved.~~

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B. Prohibited Uses.

1. ~~Commercial Uses~~ Any principal use not shown on Table 3.1 as allowed in a zoning district, whether by right or with approval as a special use, is specifically prohibited.

~~2. Industrial Uses.~~

42. ~~In addition,~~ Animals, which individually or in numbers, create a nuisance by noise, smell, unsanitary or visual effects ~~are prohibited~~. Dogs and cats are ~~allowed~~ permitted when their number in relation to area does not create a nuisance to neighbors. Horses are prohibited.

C. Development Regulations.

All apartment, duplex, triplex, quadplex, semi-detached residences and townhouse developments shall conform to the following regulations:

1. Site Plan Approval Required. All multi-family developments including apartments, duplexes, triplex, quadplex, semi-detached residences and townhouses require site plan approval by the Planning Commission in accordance with all procedures and requirements established by the County.
2. All site plans required by this section shall, at a minimum, contain the following information:
 - a. Title of the proposed development and the name, address and telephone number of the property owner.
 - b. The name, address and telephone number of the architect, engineer or other designer of the proposed development.
 - c. Scale, date, north arrow, and general location map showing relationship of the site to streets or natural landmarks.
 - d. Boundaries of the subject property, all existing and proposed, streets, including right-of-way and street pavement widths; buildings; water courses; parking and loading areas; flood plain; storm water detention; recreation areas; and other physical characteristics of the property and proposed development.
 - e. Building setbacks, buffers, landscape strips, and common areas as well as topographic contours at two (2) feet intervals.
 - f. All accessory structures and locations shown.
3. No multi-family development shall take place in whole or part without being served by both public water and public sewer facilities.
4. Regulations - All condominium developments shall meet all applicable state laws, including the Georgia Condominium Act.
5. By-laws - Proposed condominium bylaws shall be submitted with the application for site approval. Format and content of the by-laws and declarations are subject to approval of the County Attorney and Planning Commission.
6. Driveways and Interior Roads.
 - a. An interior road(s) serving any multi-family development shall be paved and have a minimum width of 24 feet, including curb and gutter. Parking on interior roads is

to be regulated by Section 607. Off-Street Parking and Loading Spaces Required.

- b. Access from a street to an individual townhouse or residential unit shall be restricted to a single driveway of no more than 10 feet in width. Two such units may combine and share their driveways along a common property line if the width of the common drive does not exceed 10 feet for each unit. Side-by-side parking spaces between a street and a townhouse, duplex, triplex, quadplex or semi-detached residence is not allowed.
- c. All interior roads shall have sidewalks installed on both sides of the street.
- d. Sidewalks and pedestrian ways shall connect to public streets and adjoining developments as applicable.

7. Fire Protection.

- a. All multi-family developments shall provide adequate fire protection in the form of placement of water lines, fire hydrants, sprinkler systems, and fire walls as required by local and state fire codes required for these types of structures.
- b. If a residential structure is located less than 15' from any property line, then local fire codes impose certain requirements.

8. Buffer, Landscaping, and Open Space Requirements.

- a. All multi-family developments shall conform to the following regulations. The following regulations are designed to promote the health, safety, order, aesthetics and general welfare by protecting against incompatible uses of land, controlling problems of flooding, soil erosion and air pollution, providing for a more attractive environment, assuring adequate open space, and reducing noise, night lighting, glare, odor, objectionable view, loss of privacy and other adverse impacts and nuisances through the use of buffers, landscaping and open space.
- b. Each development shall have a minimum of 25 percent of the development's total land area as landscaped open space. A buffer of at least 10 feet in width shall be provided and maintained around the entire exterior perimeter of all apartment, condominium, duplex and townhouse developments. Utilization of existing trees and vegetation is appropriate for inclusion within the buffer, or when not found appropriate, shall be supplemented with approved additional landscaping and plantings.

9. Service Buildings. Subordinate accessory structures are permitted for maintenance, storage and other incidental uses supportive to the primary use of the property. Community service facilities and accessory structures are subject to site plan approval, for the convenience of the residents of the property. Such structures may include, but are not limited to, the following uses: facility management offices, community laundry facilities, and indoor community recreation areas.

D. Townhouse Development Regulations.

- 1. Lots - Each townhouse shall be located on its own lot of record.

2. Minimum Lot Size - A minimum lot size for a total townhouse development is three (3) acres.
 3. Frontage - The minimum frontage of the site for each townhouse development project on a public street shall be at least 60 feet.
 4. Setbacks - Townhouse lots shall conform to setbacks of a minimum of 20 feet from the front and shall have front setbacks and rooflines varied/staggered by a minimum of two feet. Between buildings, there shall be a side yard of not less than 20 feet. A minimum of 50 feet from any adjoining parcel boundary is required. The rear setbacks shall be a minimum of 20 feet except where a rear entry garage, carport, or other parking area accessible from an alley is provided; then the setback shall be twenty (20) feet measured from the alley pavement.
 5. Building Height - No townhouse building or structure shall exceed the height of 35 feet unless adequate fireproofing construction materials are used, an adequate sprinkler system is provided, and a fire escape system approved by the County Fire Marshall is installed.
 6. Maximum Units per Building - No more than six (6) townhouses shall be permitted to form any one single building.
 7. Minimum Heated Floor Area - All units shall have a minimum heated floor area of 800 square feet.
 8. Maximum Density - Townhouse developments shall not exceed a density of six (6) units per acre. This maximum is to be density neutral and construction on site may be creatively arranged such that the total average gross density is no more than 6 units per acre.
- E. Residential Duplex, Triplex, and Quadplex Development Regulations.
1. Minimum Lot Size - Each development shall have a minimum lot size of ten (10) acres.
 2. Frontage - The minimum lot frontage on a public street for each duplex, triplex or quadplex development project shall be at least 60 feet.
 3. Setbacks - All developments shall have side setbacks minimum of 20 feet and a minimum rear setback of 50 feet.
 4. Building Height - No duplex, triplex and quadplex building or structure shall exceed the height of 35 feet unless adequate fireproofing construction materials are used, an adequate sprinkler system is provided, and a fire escape system approved by the County Fire Marshall is installed.
 5. Maximum Units per Building - No more than four (4) units shall be permitted to form any one single building.
 6. Minimum Heated Floor Area - All units shall have a minimum heated floor area of 800 square feet.

7. Maximum Density - All developments shall not exceed a density of six (6) units per acre. This maximum is to be density neutral, and construction on site may be creatively arranged such that the total average gross density is no more than 6 units per acre.

F. Apartment Regulations.

1. Minimum Lot Size - Each lot for apartment development shall have a minimum lot area of ten (10) acres.
2. Width and Frontage - The minimum frontage for each development on a public street shall be at least 60 feet.
3. Structure Separation - Apartment buildings shall be constructed with a separation of at least 20 feet.
4. Setbacks - All apartment developments shall have side setbacks minimum of 20 feet and a minimum rear setback of 50 feet.
5. Building Height - No apartment building or structure shall exceed the height of 35 feet unless adequate fireproofing construction materials are used, an adequate sprinkler system is provided, and a fire escape system approved by the County Fire Marshall is installed.
6. Minimum Heated Floor Area - All units shall have minimum heated floor area of 800 square feet.
7. Maximum Units per Building - No more than twelve (12) units shall be permitted to form any one single building.
8. Maximum Density - All apartment developments shall not exceed a density of six (6) units per acres. This maximum is to be density neutral and construction on site may be creatively arranged such that the total average gross density is no more than 6 units per acre.

G. Semi-Detached Residential Development Regulations.

1. Minimum Lot Size - Each development shall have a minimum lot size of ten (10) acres.
2. Frontage - The minimum lot frontage on a public street for each semi-detached residential development project shall be at least 60 feet.
3. Setbacks - All developments shall have side setbacks minimum of 20 feet and a minimum rear setback of 50 feet.
4. Building Height - No semi-detached residential building or structure shall exceed the height of 35 feet unless adequate fireproofing construction materials are used, an adequate sprinkler system is provided, and a fire escape system approved by the County Fire Marshall is installed.
5. Maximum Units per Building - No more than four (4) units shall be permitted to form any one total building.
6. Minimum Heated Floor Area - All units shall have a minimum heated floor area of eight hundred (800) square feet.
7. Maximum Density - All developments shall not exceed a density of six (6) units per acre. This maximum is to be density neutral, and construction on site may be creatively

arranged such that the total average gross density is no more than 6 units per acre.

Section 307309. VCR - Vacation Cottage Restricted.

THE VCR DISTRICT HAS BEEN DELETED. NO APPLICATIONS TO REZONE PROPERTY TO THIS DISTRICT WILL BE HEARD BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION OR THE ~~COUNTY COMMISSIONBOARD OF COMMISSIONERS~~ FROM THE ADOPTED DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION. ALL LAND AREAS CURRENTLY ZONED VCR DISTRICT SHALL ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS.

A. Permitted Uses.

1. ~~Principal uses that are allowed by right or by special use approval are listed on Table 3.1 at the end of this Article. Single family dwellings with on-site construction only. Only one principal residence per parcel of land.~~
2. ~~Restrictions that apply to particular uses allowed by right or special use approval are referenced on Table 3.1 and are contained in Section 317 of this Article. Churches or other places of worship and cemeteries.~~
3. ~~Allowed accessory uses include private garages, swimming pools, home workshops, tennis courts, children's play houses, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, and home offices that meet the requirements of this Section and Article VI, Section 611.~~

a. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.

b. ~~Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater, with the exception that when the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size but shall meet all setback requirements.~~

c. ~~The use of an accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited.~~

~~Accessory uses, such as private garages, swimming pools, home workshops, tennis courts, children's play houses, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, and home offices. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.~~

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a. ~~Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater.~~

i. ~~Exception: When the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, then the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size, but shall meet all setback requirements.~~

4. ~~Short Term Home Rentals in accord with the definition of "short term home rental" and that also comply with the following requirements:~~

a. ~~Only one rental residence is allowed per parcel.~~

b. ~~Must obtain a permit from the Dawson County Planning and Development department.~~

c. ~~Must remit all applicable hotel/motel taxes as necessary and required by law.~~ d. ~~Parking must be provided off street for a minimum of two (2) vehicles.~~

e. ~~Maximum occupancy is limited to two persons per bedroom plus two additional persons per household from 11 PM to 8 AM.~~

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~~iv. Short term rental structure must have a Certificate of Occupancy prior to issuance of permit.~~

B. Prohibited Uses.

~~1. Any principal use not shown on Table 3.1 as allowed in a zoning district, whether by right or with approval as a special use, is specifically prohibited.~~

~~Commercial Uses.~~

~~43. In addition, animals which individually or in numbers, create a nuisance by noise, smell, unsanitary or visual effects are prohibited. Animals such as dogs and cats are allowed/permitted when their number in relation to area does not create a nuisance to neighbors. Kennels for the breeding of any animal for sale are prohibited. Pet fowl or birds may be kept in cages under the same provisions. No swine are permitted/Swine are prohibited. Horses are prohibited on lots less than (3) acres.~~

~~5. Horses are prohibited on lots less than (3) acres.~~

~~6. Any use not permitted in accord with terms hereof.~~

C. Building Requirements. Unless a variance is approved the minimum requirements for the VCR Land Use District are:

1. Minimum square footage for all residential structures in this district is 1,200 square feet (heated).
2. Minimum lot size - 25,700 square feet if served by a septic tank and private, individual well; 20,000 square feet if served by an approved public water system; 16,000 square feet if served by an approved public water system and an approved public sewerage system. (NOTE: The Dawson County Health Department may require larger lot sizes; lot sizes may also be affected by slope requirements, performance standards, and additional requirements found in the Dawson County Land Development Resolution.)
3. Minimum Setbacks: Front yard - 100 feet on parkways, 60 feet on state highways, 40 feet on others; side yard - 10 feet; rear yard - 20 feet. Except that no setbacks are required from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers line on Lake Lanier unless a road is involved. Front yard setback applies to all frontages on publicly maintained streets with the exception of rear alleys.
4. Minimum Setbacks for Accessory Structures: Front Yard – 100 feet on parkways, 60 feet on state highways, 40 feet on others; Side Yard 5 feet; and Rear Yard 10 feet
5. Maximum Building Height is 35 feet.
6. If a principal residential structure is located less than 15' from any property line, then local fire codes impose certain requirements.

Section 308311. VC - Vacation Cottage.

THE VC DISTRICT HAS BEEN DELETED FROM THIS ORDINANCE.NO APPLICATIONS TO REZONE PROPERTY TO THIS DISTRICT WILL BE HEARD BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION OR THE ~~COUNTY COMMISSIONBOARD OF COMMISSIONERS~~ FROM THE ADOPTED DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION. ALL LAND AREAS CURRENTLY ZONED VC DISTRICT SHALL ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS.

A. Permitted Uses.

~~1. Principal uses that are allowed by right or by special use approval are listed on Table 3.1 at the end of this Article.~~

~~2. Restrictions that apply to particular uses allowed by right or special use approval are referenced on Table 3.1 and are contained in Section 317 of this Article.~~

~~1. Single family dwellings with on-site construction only. Only one principal residence per parcel of land.~~

~~2. Churches or other places of worship and cemeteries.~~

~~3. Allowed accessory uses include private garages, swimming pools, home workshops, tennis courts, children's play houses, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, and home offices that meet the requirements of this Section and Article VI, Section 611.~~

~~a. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.~~

~~b. Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater, with the exception that when the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size but shall meet all setback requirements.~~

~~c. The use of an accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited.~~

~~Accessory uses, such as private garages, swimming pools, home workshops, tennis courts, children's play houses, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, and home offices. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.~~

~~a. Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater.~~

~~i. Exception: When the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, then the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size, but shall meet all setback requirements.~~

~~4. Short-Term Home Rentals in accord with the definition of "short-term home rental" and that also comply with the following requirements:~~

~~a. Only one rental residence is allowed per parcel.~~

~~b. Must obtain a permit from the Dawson County Planning and Development department.~~

~~c. Must remit all applicable hotel/motel taxes as necessary and required by law.~~

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~~d. Parking must be provided off street for a minimum of two (2) vehicles.~~

B. Prohibited Uses.

1. Any principal use not shown on Table 3.1 as allowed in a zoning district, whether by right or with approval as a special use, is specifically prohibited.

~~1. Commercial Uses.~~

3. ~~In addition, a~~Animals, which individually or in numbers, create a nuisance by noise, smell, unsanitary or visual effects are prohibited. Animals such as dogs and cats are ~~allowed~~permitted when their number in relation to area does not create a nuisance to neighbors. Kennels for the breeding of any animal for sale are prohibited. Pet fowl or birds may be kept in cages under the same provisions. Swine are prohibited.~~No swine are permitted~~. Horses are prohibited on lots less than (3) acres.

4. Any use not permitted in accord with the terms hereof.

C. Building Requirements. Unless a variance is approved the minimum requirements for the VC Land Use District are:

1. Mobile/Manufactured Homes must comply with Compatibility Standards of Section 307~~5~~.

2. Minimum lot size - 25,700 square feet if served by a septic tank and private, individual well; 20,000 square feet if served by an approved public water system; 16,000 square feet if served by an approved public water system and an approved public sewerage system. (NOTE: The Dawson County Health Department may require larger lot sizes; lot sizes may also be affected by slope requirements, performance standards, and additional requirements found in the Dawson County Land Development Resolution.)

3. Minimum Setbacks: Front yard - 100 feet on parkways, 60 feet on state highways, 40 feet on others; side yard - 10 feet; rear yard - 20 feet. Except that no setbacks are required from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers line on Lake Lanier unless a road is involved. Front yard setback applies to all frontages on publicly maintained streets with the exception of rear alleys.

4. Minimum Setbacks for Accessory Structures: Front Yard – 100 feet on parkways, 60 feet on state highways, 40 feet on others; Side Yard 5 feet; and Rear Yard 10 feet.

5. Maximum Building Height is 35 feet.

6. If a principal residential structure be located less than 15' from any property line, then local fire codes impose certain requirements.

Section 309312. R-A Residential Agricultural/ Residential Exurban.

Residential Agricultural/Residential Exurban Districts are areas that are either primarily agricultural in land use with residential or other use incidental to the agricultural use, or areas that are not under intensive development pressures and are in relatively large parcels. Agricultural uses range from horticulture, animal husbandry, poultry, and forestry, including intensively managed tree farms to non-managed woodlands. The conservation of prime agricultural and forestry land use from intensive development into other uses is a primary objective of this classification and is encouraged. Some prime agricultural land is geographically located on land with constraints on intensive residential or commercial development, such as steep forested slopes or river valley floor plains; therefore, careful consideration should be given to changes in those areas.

A. Permitted Principal Uses. ~~Uses not listed in this Subsection are prohibited in this district.~~

- 1. ~~Principal uses that are allowed by right or by special use approval are listed on Table 3.1 at the end of this Article.~~

~~“Only one principal farm residence is permitted per tract of land. One Guest quarters or caretaker/employee residence is permitted per tract of land in accordance with Section 310.A.2. Moved-in houses, manufactured housing, and mobile homes are allowed on tracts of land of five (5) acres or more and are conditionally allowed with the approval of the Planning Commission and Board of Commissioners on tracts of land under five (5) acres. All manufactured and mobile homes must comply with the compatibility conditions of Section 305 of this Resolution.~~

~~1-2. Restrictions that apply to particular uses allowed by right or special use approval are referenced on Table 3.1 and are contained in Section 317 of this Article.~~

B. Allowed Accessory Uses.

- 1. ~~Customary and essential accessory farm buildings and uses are allowed and include including barns and other livestock structures, storage sheds, used for the day-to-day operation of such activities, for the storage or preservation of said crops, products and foodstuffs raised or grown on said parcel, and roadside stands for the sale of products grown on that property only and that comply with the requirements of this Section.~~

- 2. ~~Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater, with the exception that when the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, then the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size, but shall meet all setback requirements.~~

- 3. ~~One guest quarters or caretaker/employee residence is allowed per tract of land in accordance with Section 313.B.6.~~

- 4. ~~Home occupations are allowed if requirements in Article VI, Section 611 are met.~~

- 5. ~~Direct marketing of produce is allowed in a farm market, on-farm market or roadside stand no greater than five hundred (500) square feet of building area, unless a variance is approved.~~

- ~~2-6. Storage, retail or wholesale marketing, or processing of agricultural products into a value-added agricultural product is a permitted use in a farming operation if more than 50 percent of the stored, processed or merchandised products are produced by the farm operator. Meat processing and food franchises or franchise products are prohibited.~~

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7. Agricultural farm operations may include any or all of the following agriculturally related uses and some non-agriculturally related uses so long as the general character of the farm is maintained and the activities represent less than 50 percent of the gross receipts of the farm.

a. Value-added agricultural products or activities such as education tours, wedding venues with a minimum of fifteen (15) acres, and/or processing facilities, etc.

b. Bakeries selling baked goods containing produce grown on site.

c. Playground areas or equipment, not including motorized vehicles or rides.

d. Petting farms, animal display and pony rides.

e. Wagon, sleigh and hay rides.

f. Nature trails.

g. Open air or covered picnic areas with restrooms.

h. Educational classes, lectures, seminars.

i. Historical agricultural exhibits.

j. Kitchen facilities and/or tasting rooms for processing/cooking or serving of items for sale containing produce and crops grown on site.

k. Gift shops for the sale of agricultural products and non-agricultural products such as antiques or crafts, limited to 1000 sq. ft. building area.

8. If any agricultural farm includes the listed uses in section 312.B4 then adequate parking facilities must be provided in the form of the following:

a. A minimum of twenty (20) parking spaces must be provided.

b. Parking facilities may be located on a grass or gravel area. All parking areas shall be defined by either gravel, cut lawn, sand or other visible marking.

c. All parking areas shall be located in such a manner to avoid traffic hazards associated with entering and exiting the public roadway.

d. Paved parking areas must meet all design, landscaping and screening and setback requirements set forth by Dawson County codes and regulations.

e. All lighting, parking and otherwise shall meet the commercial lighting requirements of the Land Use Ordinance.

C. Allowed Temporary Uses.

The following temporary uses are allowed:

1. Seasonal U-pick fruits and vegetable operations.

~~2. Seasonal Outdoor mazes of agricultural origin such as straw bales or corn, small-scale outdoor entertainment such as a car show, art fair or music concert, fun houses or haunted houses, non-profit benefits, and festivals with a special use business permit.~~

~~1. Bed and Breakfast establishment in accord with the definition and also compliant with the following:~~

~~5. Customary and essential accessory farm buildings and uses including barns and other livestock structures, storage sheds, used for the day to day operation of such activities, for the storage or preservation of said crops, products and foodstuffs raised or grown on said parcel, and roadside stands for the sale of products grown on that property only.~~

~~6. Storage, retail or wholesale marketing, or processing of agricultural products into a value-added agricultural product is a permitted use in a farming operation if more than 50 percent of the stored, processed or merchandised products are produced by the farm operator.~~

~~7. Wineries selling wine, in a tasting room, subject to the following conditions:~~

~~8. Direct marketing of produce in a farm market, on farm market or roadside stand no greater than five hundred (500) square feet of building area, unless a variance is approved.~~

~~11. Food sales/processing, processing any fruits/produce, with the exception of no meat processing and no food franchises or franchise products.~~

~~12. Direct marketing of produce, in a building, subject to the following conditions:~~

~~a. Value added agricultural products or activities such as education tours, wedding venues with a minimum of fifteen (15) acres, and/or processing facilities, etc.~~

~~13. Animal hospitals, Veterinary Clinics, dog kennels, and grooming catteries, riding stables, hunting preserves using natural or native game resources, or wildlife preserves and structures necessary or accessory to the above uses; provided that approval is granted for a permissive use through a special use permit by the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission shall consider the evidence presented on the proposed use and shall consider all relevant data relating to the public health, safety and welfare including;~~

~~14. Non-commercial racetracks and arenas, permitted after Public Hearing and approval by the Planning Commission.~~

~~16. Solar Farms~~

~~17. Home Occupations if requirements in Article VI, Section 611 are met.~~

~~18. Public Parks and recreation areas.~~

B. Prohibited Uses.

~~1. Any principal use not shown on Table 3.1 as allowed in a zoning district, whether by right or with approval as a special use, is specifically prohibited.~~

~~Residential subdivisions where lots are less than five (5) acres in size.~~

~~2. In addition, meat processing or manufacturing operations related to allowed agricultural uses are prohibited. Horses are also prohibited on lots less than (3) acres.~~

C. Building Requirements

The minimum area, yard, and building requirements in the R-A Residential Agricultural District are as set forth in Table 3.2;

~~1. Minimum lot size: 1.5 acre or as determined by the Dawson County Health Department, whichever is greater. Except in residential subdivisions, when the minimum lot size is 5 acres.~~

~~4. Specific requirements for ancillary uses~~

~~If any agricultural farm includes the listed ancillary uses in section 309.A.12 then adequate parking facilities must be provided in the form of the following:~~

D. Special District Requirements.

Agricultural districts include uses of land primarily for active farming activities and will result in odors, noise, dust and other effects, which may not be compatible with adjacent single-family development. Future abutting developers in non-RA land use districts shall be provided with a "Notice of RA Adjacency" at the time of application for a building or occupancy permit for property adjacent to an RA district. Prior to administrative action on either the land use district or the issuance of a building or occupancy permit the applicant therefore shall be required to sign a waiver on a form prepared by the Planning and Development Director which will indicate that the applicant understands that a use is ongoing adjacent to his use which will produce odors, noise, dust and other effects which may not be compatible with the applicant's development. Nevertheless, understanding the effects of the adjacent RA use, the applicant agrees by executing the form to waive any objection to those effects and understands that his district change and/or his permits are issued and processed in reliance on his agreement not to bring any action (asserting that the adjacent uses in the RA District constitute a nuisance) against local governments and adjoining landowners whose property is located in an RA District. Any such notice or acknowledgment provided to or executed by a landowner adjoining a tract in an RA District shall be a public record.

Section 310313. RRE Residential Rural Estate.

Residential Estate Districts are areas that are either primarily single family residential with other agricultural, pastoral or recreational uses incidental to the principal residential use, or areas that are not under intensive development pressures and are in relatively large parcels. Typical rural residential uses range from horticulture, agri-tourism, livestock and animal husbandry, to non-managed woodlands. The conservation of prime agricultural and forestry land use from the need to extend urbanized infrastructure (public water and sewer service) is a primary objective of this classification and is encouraged to maintain the rural character. Some prime agricultural land is geographically located on land with constraints on intensive residential or commercial development, such as steep forested slopes or river valley floor plains; therefore, careful consideration should be given to changes in those areas.

A. Permitted Principal Uses. ~~Uses not listed in this Subsection are prohibited in this district.~~

1. Principal uses that are allowed by right or by special use approval are listed on Table 3.1 at the end of this Article.

~~“Only one principal farm residence is permitted per tract of land. One Guest quarters or caretaker/employee residence is permitted per tract of land in accordance with Section 310.A.2. Moved-in houses, manufactured housing, and mobile homes are allowed on tracts of land of five (5) acres or more and are conditionally allowed with the approval of the Planning Commission and Board of Commissioners on tracts of land under five (5) acres. All manufactured and mobile homes must comply with the compatibility conditions of Section 305 of this Resolution.~~

2. Restrictions that apply to particular uses allowed by right or special use approval are referenced on Table 3.1 and are contained in Section 317 of this Article.

B. Allowed Accessory Uses.

1. When compatible with residential uses in a limited area, agriculture, floriculture, horticulture, silviculture, cultivation of field or garden crops or similar related uses are allowed.

2. Customary and essential accessory farm buildings and uses including barns and other livestock structures, storage sheds, and roadside stands not greater than 100 sq. ft. for the sale of products grown on that property only.

3. Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater, with the exception that when the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, then the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size, but shall meet all setback requirements.

4. One guest quarters or caretaker/employee residence is allowed per tract of land in accordance with Section 313.B.6.

5. Home occupations are allowed if requirements in Article VI, Section 611 are met. In addition, the use of an accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited.

- i. Exception: When the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, then the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size, but shall meet all setback requirements.

26. Only one (1) caretaker or guest house is permitted on a parcel or lot and must be located on the same parcel as the principal residence provided:

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- a. At least one of the residences must be owner occupied full-time.
- b. Access to the guest quarters shall be from the same driveway as the primary residence.
- c. Primary residence must be existing or under construction prior to allowance of a caretaker or guest residence.

~~3. Bed and Breakfast establishment in accord with the definition and also compliant with the following:~~

~~5. When compatible with residential uses in a limited area, agriculture, floriculture, horticulture, silviculture, cultivation of field or garden crops or similar related uses.~~

~~8. Animal hospitals, Veterinary Clinics, dog kennels, and grooming catteries, riding stables, hunting preserves using natural or native game resources, or wildlife preserves and structures necessary or accessory to the above uses; provided that approval is granted for a permissive use through a special use permit by the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission shall consider the evidence presented on the proposed use and shall also consider all relevant data relating to the public interest including;~~

~~9. Churches, other places of worship, and cemeteries.~~

~~10. Home Occupations if requirements in Article VI, Section 611 are met.~~

~~a. The use of an accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited.~~

~~11. Public Parks and recreation areas.~~

~~Any principal use not shown on Table 3.1 as allowed in a zoning district, whether by right or with approval as a special use, is specifically prohibited.~~

~~1. Residential subdivisions with lots less than three (3) acres in size.~~

The building requirements in the RRE, Residential Rural Estate District are as set forth in Table 3.2 follows, unless a variance is granted:

~~1. Minimum lot size: 1.5 acre or as determined by the Dawson County Health Department, whichever is greater. Except in residential subdivisions where the minimum lot size is 3 acres.~~

D. Special District Requirements.

Residential Rural Estate districts include uses of land primarily for residential and minor farming activities and will result in odors, noise, dust and other effects, which may not be compatible with adjacent single-family development. Nevertheless, understanding the effects of the adjacent RRE use, the applicant agrees by executing the form to waive any objection to those effects and understands that his district change and/or his permits are issued and processed in reliance on his agreement not to bring any action (asserting that the adjacent uses in the RRE District constitute a nuisance) against local governments and adjoining landowners whose property is located in an RRE District. Any such notice or acknowledgment provided to or executed by a landowner adjoining a tract in an RRE District shall be a public record.

Section 311314. RPC Residential Planned Community.

The Residential Planned Community District is a parcel of land developed with a variety of land uses which may vary from strict application of minimum standards in other land use classifications with the purpose of encouraging the development of large tracts of land as planned communities; encourage flexible and creative concepts in site planning; preserve the natural environment by encouraging scenic and functional open areas within residential areas; and provide for an efficient use of land resulting in increased efficiency in providing services, thus lowering development costs due to the smaller networks for streets and shorter utility lines. The Residential Planned Comprehensive Development is a flexible alternative which advocates the grouping or clustering of lots and buildings on a smaller portion of the tract, where the developer can maintain the same residential density but offer smaller lots, with remaining land dedicated or reserved for open space, agriculture, woodlands or recreation.

- A. Applicability. RPC is permitted only if a single developer or development group is planning and constructing the entire unit, including all amenities, and shall not be available to any development if any lots or parcels are sold to others before construction of amenities and buildings (excepting single family residences). Amenities may be shown as part of a specific phase(s) of the master plan and must be constructed accordingly.
- B. In the event of the failure of the developer to complete any portion of the approved plan, then all requirements of subdivision regulations shall be complete before sale of any lots or issuance of building or occupancy permits.
- C. The minimum acreage permitted for RPC is 100 contiguous acres. The amount of permanent open space or natural space required shall be no less than forty (40) percent of the development. An active amenity area consisting of at least a pool, clubhouse, and two tennis courts is required. The overall net density shall be no more than one (1) unit per acre. In some cases, the health department may require a lower density for septic tank requirements based on soils and slope.
- E. An application for zoning and any development permits shall be preceded in each case by informal meeting with the Planning staff prior to submission and shall be consistent with the format required for subdivision approval with the following additions:
 - 1. A proposed master plan showing at minimum:
 - a. Total property area included in the development with a legal description of the subject property and bounds;
 - b. Proposed buildings with approximate square footage and footprints;
 - c. Proposed street layout;
 - d. Existing topographic conditions to include a contour interval of a minimum 5 feet based on field surveys or photogram metric photogrammetric methods;
 - e. Amenity areas and buildings, including defined open space;
 - f. Traffic impact study.
 - 2. Water and sewage disposal and other utility plans.

3. A Statement of Intent containing disclosure of ownership, financial information, of the character of the proposed development, including a summary of gross density, types of dwelling units, amenities provided, agreements or protective covenants, and a schedule for the completion of various stages of the development including completion of amenities, open space and landscaping.
 4. A master drainage plan shall be provided with the application for rezoning to identify the detention/retention and encourage creative water quality and quantity treatment processes.
- F. Lapse of approval shall occur two years after the approval of the development plan or if the applicant fails to reasonably maintain the development schedule (delay over 6 months for any phase of the project without satisfactory explanation.) The Planning Commission may extend approval for one year at its discretion. Upon lapse of approval, all approved documents shall be revoked and the area shall be returned to the previous district classification following appropriate notice, hearings and approvals of the Board of Commissioners. The developer shall receive a minimum of 60-days' notice of intent to revoke approval prior to initiating the application.
- G. The approved rezoning to RPC shall automatically be conditioned upon the approved master plan regardless of ownership unless approval lapses pursuant to Section ~~311~~314.F. Any Change or revision to the master plan after the initial rezoning or any change to any other zoning condition imposed by the County, shall require a rezoning application. The approved plan and any revisions shall be recorded in the office of the County Clerk with the minutes of the meeting when the plan is approved or revised.
- H. Any major or substantial change in the approved master development plan that affects the intent and character of the development, increases the density or changes the land use pattern, changes the location or dimensions of streets or similar changes must be reviewed and approved by the Dawson County Board of Commissioners after review and recommendation by the Planning Commission before any work shall be permitted. A request for revision of the master development plan shall be supported by a written statement justifying the necessity or desirability for such revision. Any such major change shall be considered a request to change a zoning condition and shall be subject to rezoning procedures.
- I. Permitted Uses.
1. Principal uses that are allowed by right or by special use approval are listed on Table 3.1 at the end of this Article. In addition, a limited commercial component to the project is allowed, i.e. golf clubhouse, villas, etc. This may be included at no more than four percent (4%) of the total gross acreage. The commercial uses are intended for small-scale neighborhood service and will be specifically determined by the Board of Commissioners upon Master Plan approval. The commercial component of the plan shall be integrally designed with the residential component and shall provide both vehicular and pedestrian interconnectivity and access throughout.
 2. Restrictions that apply to particular uses allowed by right or special use approval are referenced on Table 3.1 and are contained in Section 317 of this Article.
 3. Allowed accessory uses include private garages, swimming pools, home workshops, tennis courts, children's play houses, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, and home offices that meet the requirements of this Section and Article VI, Section 611.

- a. Accessory uses must be located on a parcel that is currently occupied by a principal residential structure.
- b. Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater, with the exception that when the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size but shall meet all setback requirements.
- c. The use of an accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited.

~~The following uses are allowed within this district. Uses not listed in this Subsection are prohibited in this district.~~

- ~~1. Single family dwellings with on-site construction only. Only one principal residence per parcel of land.~~
- ~~8. Animals such as dogs or cats owned by the resident for their personal enjoyment in compliance with the Dawson County Animal Control Ordinance and not for commercial purposes.~~
- ~~9. Home Occupations upon review, if the following requirements are met in addition to those found under Article VI, Section 611.~~
- ~~10. Industrialized single family modular home.~~
- ~~12. Private Amenity areas such as swimming pools, tennis courts, children's play areas, small gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, fitness and recreations centers, club house or community rooms and other similar uses Provided that the following conditions are met:~~
- ~~13. Schools and other public buildings.~~
- ~~15. A limited commercial component to the project is allowed, i.e. golf clubhouse, villas, etc. This may be included at no more than four percent (4%) of the total gross acreage. The commercial uses are intended for small-scale neighborhood service and will be specifically determined by the Board of Commissioners upon Master Plan approval. The commercial component of the plan shall be integrally designed with the residential component and shall provide both vehicular and pedestrian interconnectivity and access throughout.~~

J. Prohibited Uses.

- 1. Any principal use not shown on Table 3.1 as allowed in a zoning district, whether by right or with approval as a special use, is specifically prohibited.

~~Commercial Uses not specifically permitted under Section 311.1.14.~~

- ~~42. In addition, animals that individually or in numbers create a nuisance by noise, smell, unsanitary or visual effects are prohibited. Horses are prohibited. Kennels for the breeding of any animal for sale are prohibited. Pet fowl or birds may be kept in cages in accord with the terms of this sub-section. ~~No~~ swine are ~~permitted~~ prohibited.~~
- 1. Minimum area. Each separate tract of open space shall contain at least two acres; except that no minimum tract size is required for open space in medians in streets or islands for cul-de-sac turnarounds.
- 2. Minimum width. Walkways or "fingers" of open space created to provide access from individual lots to a larger expanse of open space shall have a minimum width sufficient to accommodate a path, given the existing terrain, the center of which path shall be at least twenty-five (25) feet from any property line. All path dimensions shall have a width no more than eight (8) feet.
- 3. Desired features. Open Space shall include irreplaceable natural features of the site

such as streams, significant stands of trees, individual trees of significant size, rock outcropping, and peaks and ridges that are themselves scenic features or from which scenic views are available.

4. Natural limitations. Natural areas which are unsafe for or not easily accessible to pedestrians - including swamps, floodplains, wetland areas, steep slopes (35% or more for a distance of 100 feet or more), woodlands, lakes, ponds and streams - may be included as open space. These areas shall not count for more than fifty percent (50%) of the total open space required.
5. Uses restricted. Buildings shall not occupy open space, but may occupy area allocated for one or more conventional lots.
6. Easements restricted. Open space may be entered or crossed by utility easements where such easements will involve access by persons or vehicles for periodic maintenance or repair only.
7. Open space shall be undisturbed except where designed as an active amenity area.

L. Roads and utilities:

1. All roads within RPC zoning district shall be private roads and shall be maintained by a property owners association formed by the developer; except those roads which serve to connect the development to other public roads.
2. All roads within a RPC development district shall be designated as private on all plats, maps, deeds, and road signs of the development.
3. All private roads with the development shall be built to public standards.
4. All roads shall have sidewalks and/or permanent pedestrian access designed throughout the project.
5. All utilities shall comply with applicable codes, and street lighting shall be included on all new streets by the developer. If either condition exists, then ongoing responsibility for maintenance of utilities and lighting shall be held by the Homeowners or Property Owner's Association as appropriate.

- M. Annual Review. To ensure continued progress toward completion, the approved Master Development Plan with updated accomplishments shall be submitted to the Dawson County Planning Commission for annual review. Failure to submit the review documents may result in Lapse of Approval pursuant to Sec. ~~311~~314.F.

Section 312315. RMHP - Residential Manufactured/Mobile Home Park.

A. Purpose and Intent.

The Residential Manufactured/Mobile Home Park District is considered a higher density, multi-family development intended to provide clustered areas for mobile home pads, which are leased rather than subdivided for individual ownership, that are served by public water, public sanitary sewer and recreational amenities.

B. Permitted Uses.

1. Mobile homes and manufactured homes within mobile home parks, but not including mobile homes on individual lots under separate ownership. Commercial uses within individual mobile homes are not permitted.
2. Administration buildings and customary laundry and service buildings.
3. Community centers and recreation facilities intended to serve residents of the district.
4. Customary accessory uses and structures clearly incidental to one or more permitted uses.
 - a. Accessory structures shall be no larger than the footprint of the primary structure or one-half the gross square footage, whichever is greater.
 - i. Exception: When the lot size is three (3) acres or greater, then the size of the accessory structure shall not be regulated in size, but shall meet all setback requirements.
5. Public and semi-public buildings and uses.

C. Mobile Home Park Development Regulations.

Development for mobile home parks in the MHP District shall conform to the following regulations:

1. Site Plan Approval Required:

All mobile home park developments shall require site plan approval by the Planning Commission.

2. Location and Frontage:

A Mobile Home Park District development shall be located on property with a minimum frontage of 200 feet on a public street.

3. Street Requirement:

Interior roads serving the development shall be constructed to county standards as specified in the Dawson County Subdivision Regulations, and in addition shall have a minimum pavement width of twenty-four (24) feet, including curb and gutter. All interior roads within the development are the responsibility of the property owner(s) and shall be adequately maintained to acceptable county standards.

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4. Lot Area and Width:

A Mobile Home District development shall have a minimum area of five (5) contiguous acres and a lot width of at least 200 feet.

5. Density:

The maximum density of a Mobile Home District development is six (6) units per acre.

6. Recreation and Other Community Facilities:

Not less than ten (10%) percent of the total area of the development shall be devoted to recreation and other community use facilities for those mobile home parks designed for or containing ten (10) or more mobile homes.

7. Perimeter Setback Required:

No mobile home or other building or structure shall be located closer than forty (40) feet to any mobile home park perimeter property boundary.

8. Perimeter Screening Required:

A landscaped screen consisting of dense evergreen trees and/or shrubs and having a minimum width of ten (10) feet along all property lines shall be required. All perimeter screening must be maintained by park owners.

9. Utilities:

All mobile home parks shall be served by approved public water and public sanitary sewer systems. All electric, gas, cable lines serving mobile home parks shall be placed underground. Meter boxes shall also be clustered in designated sites and adequately buffered.

10. Refuse Collection:

Each mobile home park shall provide refuse collection pads at locations convenient to each mobile home space, but in no case more than fifty (50) feet from the street serving each mobile home. Refuse collection sites must be properly screened and buffered with both fencing and a vegetative buffer.

11. Space Numbering:

Each mobile home space shall be provided with a sign, not less than one (1) square foot in area, which indicates the appropriate space number or address. Numbering shall meet minimum E911 regulation standards.

12. Fire Protection:

All Mobile Home Park developments shall provide adequate fire protection in the form of placement of water lines and fire hydrants and additional protection measures as deemed reasonable and necessary by the Planning Commission and/or according to local fire codes.

13. Service Buildings:

- a. Subordinate accessory structures are hereby required for maintenance and other incidental uses supportive to the primary use of the property. A minimum forty-eight (48) square feet of storage space shall be required by the developer for each unit in a mobile home park. This shall be included on a site plan and approved by the planning commission. These types of facilities shall be grouped, centrally and conveniently located for park patrons. All service facilities shall be built and maintained by the park owner(s) in compliance with all local commercial building codes.
- b. Community service facilities and related accessory structures are subject to site plan approval, for the convenience of the complex patrons. A laundry facility for park patrons shall be required and must be maintained by park owners.
- c. All mobile home park developments shall provide a covered school bus stop shelter accessible to a designated school bus route.

14. Animal Control:

All mobile home park developments shall provide an animal control plan approved by the Planning Commission. The animal control plan shall be enforced by the owner of the mobile home park.

15. Parking:

Off-street paved parking facilities shall be grouped in bays, either adjacent to streets or in the interior of blocks. No off-street parking space shall be more than one hundred (100) feet by the most direct pedestrian routes from a door of the dwelling unit it is intended to serve. Parking shall be provided at a rate of two parking spaces per each mobile home in the development.

16. Street Lighting:

Street lighting shall be required at each entrance or exit to a mobile home park. Street lighting shall also be placed and staggered every 300 feet along all streets in the mobile home park.

17. Miscellaneous:

- a. In the event that a swimming pool is developed or planned as a part of the mobile home park, this facility shall be enclosed by a chain link, masonry or wood fence not less than six feet high.
- b. No individual lot or space in any mobile home park may be sold or control of that lot or space transferred with the intent or effect of a sale unless that lot or space and mobile home park shall meet all requirements of the county subdivision regulations and the park owner shall hold a valid subdivision recording permit.
- c. Junk vehicles shall not be allowed to be stored or placed at any location within a mobile home park. This shall be enforced by the owner(s) of the mobile home park.

- d. Any covenants required by the owner(s) of all mobile home parks shall be submitted with the site plan.

D. Mobile Home and Mobile Home Space Requirements.

Each mobile home shall be located on a separate pad in accordance with the following regulations:

1. Space Size and Width:

Each mobile home space within the development shall contain a minimum space size of 4,000 square feet and a minimum space width of forty (40) feet.

2. Setbacks:

Each mobile home shall be setback a minimum of ten (10) feet from the front space line or street right-of-way, three (3) feet from the side space line, and ten (10) feet from the rear space line.

3. Foundations and Tie-Downs:

Each mobile home shall be supported by piers and foundations and shall be anchored to the ground in accordance with building code requirements, to secure the mobile home against uplift, sliding, rotation and overturning.

4. Porches/Landings:

At each entrance/exit door of each mobile home shall be a landing or porch that is a minimum of forty-eight (48) inches by forty-eight (48) inches.

Section 316. Chart of Uses.

A. Purpose.

1. This section lists by the following matrix chart the uses allowed by right and by special use approval in each zoning district. A listed allowed use is one which is allowed in the zone without any qualifications, except wherever such qualifications may be indicated in this Land Use Resolution. A listed special use is one which may be granted only when certain conditions are met.
2. In the following chart an "A" means that the use is automatically allowed in the zoning district listed by the abbreviation at the top of the column. An "S" means that the use is allowed only by special use approval. A blank space indicates that the use is not allowed under any circumstances.

B. Allowed Principal Uses.

1. A Principal Use is the specific, primary purpose for which land or a building is used.
2. Principal uses that are allowed by right or allowed only by special use approval in each zoning district are shown on the following Table 3.1: Principal Uses Allowed by Zoning District.

C. Special Uses.

Principal uses that are special uses may be granted subject to special use approval following the procedures for Amendments as set forth in Article X and with consideration of additional review criteria that may be established in this Land Use Resolution.

B-D. Restrictions on Particular Uses.

1. Restrictions that apply to certain principal uses and to certain zoning districts are listed in Section 317. The restrictions also apply to special uses unless specifically waived or modified as a stipulation of special use approval.
2. For those uses that have specific restrictions associated with them, a reference is given on the Table 3.1 to the pertinent Subsection of Section 317.

E. Interpretation of Uses.

1. Some degree of interpretation will occasionally be required. It is not possible to list each and every variation or name of a given use.
- 1-2. In addition to other generally accepted references and resources, the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS), published by the U.S. Department of Commerce (current available edition), may be referred to in order to interpret the definition of uses listed on Table 3.1 to identify similar uses that may be allowed along with each listed use. The NAICS classification number is shown on the tables for each applicable use for

reference and interpretation only; the NAICS is not adopted as part of this Code.

3. In all cases of uncertainty, the determination of whether or not a particular use is allowed in a particular zoning district shall reflect the purpose of the zoning district as stated in this Article, both the common and dictionary definitions of the use, and the array of listed uses that are allowed in the district as to their character and intensity, as determined by the Planning and Development Director.

Table 3.1 Principal Uses Allowed by Zoning District

NAICS Ref.	Principal Uses ↓	Zoning Districts →	RT	RL	RS	RS-2	RS-3	RSR	RSRMM	RMF	VCR	VC	RA	RRE	RPC	RMHP	See Section:
A = Allowed			S = Allowed if Approved as a Special Use										Blank Space = Prohibited				
Agricultural Uses																	
111	Crop Production, including Greenhouse, Nursery (non-retail), and Floriculture Production												A				
112	Animal Production and Aquaculture (except for: Dog or Cat Breeding Kennel; and, Animal Slaughtering and Processing)												A				
112990	Dog or Cat Breeding Kennel												S	S			317.J
113	Forestry and Logging												A				
114210	Hunting Preserve												S	S			317.J
1151	Support Activities for Crop Production												A				
115210	Support Activities for Animal Production (including Livestock Breeding Services)												A				
1153	Support Activities for Forestry												A				
321113	Temporary Sawmill												S				317.H
312130	Winery, no retail and/or restaurant												A				317.I
312130	Winery, with retail and/or restaurant												S				317.I
424410	Farmers Market (wholesale)												A				
541940	Animal Hospital and Veterinary Clinic												S	S			317.J
712190	Wildlife Preserve												S	S			317.J
713990	Horse Riding Stables												S	S			317.J
Residential Uses																	
	Single-Family Detached: Site-Built or Modular Home	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A		A	A	A	A	A		
	Single-Family Detached: Manufactured Home								A			A	A/S	A/S		A	317.C
	Single-Family Semi-Detached									A					A		

Table 3.1 Principal Uses Allowed by Zoning District

NAICS Ref.	Principal Uses ↓	Zoning Districts →	RT	RL	RS	RS-2	RS-3	RSR	RSRMM	RMF	VCR	VC	RA	RRE	RPC	RMHP	See Section:		
			A = Allowed							S = Allowed if Approved as a Special Use							Blank Space = Prohibited		
	Two-Family Dwelling: Duplex									A						A			
	Three-Family Dwelling: Triplex									A						A			
	Four-Family Dwelling: Quadruplex									A						A			
	Multi-Family: Townhouses									A						A			
	Multi-Family: Apartments									A						A			
	Multi-Family: Condominiums									A						A			
	Manufactured Home Park															A	317.C		
721191	Bed and Breakfast			A									A	A	A		317.B		
721199	Short Term Home Rental		A	A	A	A	A	A	A		A	A	A	A	A		317.F		
Public / Institutional Uses																			
813110	Churches and Other Facilities for Religious Organizations Worship		A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A				
Recreation Uses																			
711212	Commercial Racetrack												S						
711310	Commercial Arena												S						
713990	Private Amenity Area that is a part of and serves a residential development but is located on a separate lot		A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A				A			317.D		
Communications & Utilities																			
221	Public Utilities		A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	317.E		
221114	Solar Farm												A				317.G		
517312	Telecommunication Facility												S				407		

Section 317. Restrictions on Particular Uses.

A. Purpose.

The purpose of this Section is to provide land use and development regulations for specific uses that are applicable to sites throughout Dawson County. Unless otherwise noted, these standards are intended to be applied within all zoning districts where the particular uses are allowed, whether by right or through special use approval.

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B. Bed and Breakfasts.

Bed and Breakfast Permit requirements are as follows:

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1. The permit shall include the name and phone number of the owner/operator whose primary residence is the Bed and Breakfast. Only one Bed and Breakfast is allowed per parcel.
2. The number of guest rooms is limited to one less than the total number of bedrooms in the dwelling unit, with an overall maximum of 6 guest rooms. Maximum occupancy is limited to two adults per guest room.
3. Must remit all applicable hotel/motel taxes.
4. The permit shall include a notarized statement signed by the owner/operator that the Bed and Breakfast shall be in compliance with these regulations.
5. Proof of ownership is required at time of permitting.
6. Bed and Breakfast structure must have a Certificate of Occupancy prior to issuance of permit.
7. Unless revoked the Bed and Breakfast permit is valid for one year from the date of issuance of the permit.
8. Structure must be inspected and approved by Dawson County Fire Marshal and Building Official prior to the issuance of the Bed and Breakfast permit.
9. Off street parking spaces must be provided and screened from the view of adjoining property uses and the public street.
10. If the permit is revoked or denied, it may be appealed to the Board of Commissioners.

C. Manufactured Homes.

1. Manufactured homes shall meet the compatibility requirements of Section 307.D.
2. In the RA and RRE districts, special use approval is required to locate a manufactured home on a tract of land that is less than 5 acres.

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D. Private Amenity areas such as swimming pools, tennis courts, children's play areas, small

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gardens, non-commercial greenhouses, fitness and recreations centers, club houses or community rooms and other similar uses shall meet the following requirements:

1. Adequate parking area is provided for the amenity area; typically a minimum of 15 parking spaces, unless a variance is approved.
2. The area is fenced and landscaped. All pools should be landscaped and screened such that at least 50% of the view from the public road is obscured.
3. The amenity area is constructed and completed in the first phase of the development, with the following exceptions:
 - a. In the RPC District: ~~the amenity area shall be constructed and completed in the first phase of the development if the development is 100 acres or less. If the development is greater than 100 acres, the developer shall construct the amenity area in conjunction with the development of a specific phase of the development. This shall be clearly delineated and noted on the master plan.~~
 - b. In the RMF District additional amenities may be shown as a part of a specific phase(s) of a master plan and must also be constructed within said phase.
4. Lighting is provided for the parking area and all walkways and pedestrian access points.

B.E. Public Utilities.

1. Public utilities shall have ~~with~~ a maximum gross total of 400 sq. ft. of structure per parcel unless a variance is approved.
2. Public utilities include infrastructure services and the structures necessary to provide those services including electricity, natural gas, telephone, water, or sewer. See Section 407 for telecommunication facilities.

F. Short-Term Home Rentals.

1. Only one rental residence is allowed per parcel.
2. Must obtain a permit from the Dawson County Planning and Development department.
3. Must remit all applicable hotel/motel taxes as necessary and required by law.
4. Parking must be provided off-street for a minimum of two (2) vehicles.
5. Maximum occupancy is limited to two persons per bedroom plus two additional persons per household from 11 PM to 8 AM.
6. Short Term Rental Permit requirements:
 - a. The permit shall include the name and phone number of the owner and operator who is available 24 hours a day seven days a week to respond to complaints regarding the

operation or occupancy of the short-term rental unit.

b. The permit shall include a notarized statement signed by the owner/ operator that the short-term rental shall be in compliance with these regulations.

c. Proof of ownership is required at time of permitting.

d. Short-term rental structure must have a Certificate of Occupancy prior to issuance of permit.

e. Unless revoked the short-term rental permit is valid for one year from the date of issuance of the permit.

f. If the permit is revoked or denied, it may be appealed to the Board of Commissioners.

G. Solar Farms.

1. Freestanding solar panels located on the ground shall not exceed twenty (20) feet in height above the ground.

2. Freestanding solar panels shall meet all setback requirements as required for buildings.

3. Solar Farms shall be located on parcels greater than five (5) acres.

H. Temporary Sawmills.

Temporary location of a portable sawmill on timber sale property is allowed for no more than one year.

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I. Wineries.

Wineries may sell selling wine, in a tasting room, subject to the following conditions:

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1. Wineries must be licensed according to the Dawson County Alcohol Ordinance.

2. Retail sales and ancillary restaurant facilities are allowed if approved by the Board of Commissioners after review and recommendation of the Planning Commission as a special use.

3. Retail sales and restaurant or food service facilities are shall be clearly accessory to the production of wine.

4. Any restaurant facilities shall be approved by the Dawson County Health Department.

J. Animal hospitals, ~~V~~veterinary ~~C~~clinics, dog kennels, and grooming catteries, riding stables, hunting preserves using natural or native game resources, or wildlife preserves and structures necessary or accessory to the above uses require approval as a special use following the procedures for Amendments and with due consideration given to ; provided that approval is granted for a permissive use through a special use permit by the Planning Commission. The

Planning Commission shall consider the evidence presented on the proposed use and shall consider all relevant data relating to the public health, safety and welfare including:

a. Noise factors that may impact adjacent residential areas.

b. Isolating factors, such as topography or buffers, and

c. noxious odors affecting adjacent properties

Section 318. Dimensional Requirements.

Table 3.2 Dimensional Requirements by Residential Zoning District*

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Zoning District	Lot size ¹ (minimum, acres)			Lot Width ⁴ (minimum, feet)	Lot Depth (minimum, feet)	Principal Building Setback (minimum, feet)					Building Height (maximum, feet)
	Septic Tank & Well	Septic Tank & Water ²	Sewer & Water ³			Front ⁵			Side	Rear	
						Parkway	State Highway	Other Streets			
RT	1.5	.75	.40	75	100	80	60	30	10	20	35
RL⁶	1.5	.75	.75	75	100	80	60	40	10	20	35
RS ⁶	1.5	1	1	75	100	80	60	40	10	20	35
RS-2	--	--	.50	75	100	80	60	30	10	20	35
RS-3	--	--	.33	75	100	80	60	30	10	20	35
RSR ⁷	1.5	1	--	100	150	100	60	40	10	20	35
RSRMM ⁷	1.5	1	--	100	150	100	60	40	10	20	35
RA⁹	Site Built: 1.5 ⁸ ; 5.0 in subdivisions Manufactured: 5.0 ¹⁰			175	200	100	60	40	20	35	35
RRE ¹¹	Site Built: 1.5 ⁸ ; 3.0 in subdivisions Manufactured: 5.0 ¹⁰			150	200	100	60	40	20	35	35

* Requirements for VCR, VC, RPC and RMHP not incorporated into table; see respective sections that address these zoning districts for dimensional requirements.

- ¹ Minimum lot sizes may be less in Conservation Subdivisions, which are allowed by right in all single-family residential and agricultural districts (see Subdivision Regulations)
- ² Community or public water ³ Public water and sewer ⁴ Width at the building line
- ⁵ Front yard setback applies to all frontages on publicly maintained streets with the exception of rear alleys.
- ⁶ In addition to the dimensional requirements in this table, all utilities shall comply with applicable regulations, and street lighting shall be included on all new public streets.
- ⁷ In addition to the dimensional requirements in this table, setbacks are required from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers line on Lake Lanier unless a road is involved.
- ⁸ Or as determined by the Dawson County Health Department, whichever is greater
- ⁹ In addition to the dimensional requirements in this table, the following shall apply: a) Major farm buildings shall be a minimum distance of 50 feet from the property line or 200 feet from the nearest residence, other than the residence of the owner, whichever is greater. b) The exhaust end of all poultry houses shall be located not less than 300 feet from any existing residence other than the applicant's. All poultry houses shall be located not less than 300 feet from a property line adjacent to residentially zoned property and 50 feet from the property line of any property located in an R-A or C-RB district. As an alternative to this requirement, the applicant may upon approval of the Planning Commission construct an earth berm, vegetative buffer or other barrier as specified and approved by the Planning Commission to shield the exhaust from any such residence. c) No setback is required from Lake Lanier Government Line. d) Health Department regulations require 10 feet from property line and 100 feet from a well for septic field lines.
- ⁹ A manufactured home may be located on a tract of land that is less than 5 acres with Special Use Approval.
- ¹¹ In addition to the dimensional requirements in this table, the following shall apply: a) Major farm buildings (horse barns, etc.) shall be a minimum distance of 30 feet from the property line or 100 feet from the nearest residence, other than the residence of the owner, whichever is greater. b) No setback is required from Lake Lanier Government Line, but is encouraged. c) The height of farm related buildings and structures shall not be over 35 feet without approval by the Planning Commission.

**ARTICLE IV
COMMERCIAL LAND USE DISTRICTS**

Section 400. Purpose.

The purpose of this Article is to establish Commercial Land Use Districts by defining their characteristics and prescribing development standards therefore. Commercial Land Use Districts are of greater intensity of use and are usually incompatible with Residential Districts.

- A. Setbacks; The Minimum Setbacks from the Right of Way for all Commercial Districts (Unless noted otherwise in this Resolution) are as follows; 100 feet on Parkways and Divided State Highways, 60 feet on Collector Roads and State Highways, 40 feet on all other County Roads and Interior Development Streets. The Minimum Setback for Parking Areas is 20 feet from Parkways and Divided State Highways and 10 feet on all other Rights of Way. (If no right of way is established the right of way shall be considered 15 feet from the centerline of the road)

- B. Maintenance Requirements. Developments in commercial districts shall comply with the site maintenance requirement set forth herein after a Certificate of Occupancy has been issued and released. The owner shall be responsible for these requirements regardless of any tenant relationship or any relationship with any other party:
 - 1. the cleanliness of the entire site shall be maintained by removing any trash, rubbish or other debris deposited at the site;
 - 2. landscaping shall be maintained, and dead or damaged plants shall be replaced;
 - 3. any damaged elements of a building (including broken windows) and the site (including curb stops, parking stripes and dumpster screening) shall be repaired or replaced if the building or the site becomes dilapidated or in disrepair;
 - 4. all fire suppression systems, including sprinkler systems, shall be maintained in compliance with applicable local, state, and federal statutes, regulations, and ordinances;
 - 5. if the commercial structure or structures shall be vacated, then the owner shall continue to maintain the site in accord with the terms hereof and shall remove all signs from the site within 60 days of the day the structure becomes vacant; and,
 - 6. if any single occupant premise becomes vacant for more than 60 days and the owner fails to maintain the property in accord with the terms hereof and after notice from the County of such failure, then the owner shall be subject to citation and shall be subject to the maximum fine permitted for ordinance violations for each day of each violation of any provision of this ordinance.

- C. Outdoor Lighting. Outdoor lighting shall be designed to provide the minimum lighting necessary to insure adequate safety, night vision and comfort and shall not create nor cause excessive glare upon adjacent properties or public streets or rights-of-way. All light sources shall be located, designed, fitted, aimed, shielded, installed and maintained to limit illumination only to the target area and shall minimize light trespass. Light sources shall not at any time be directed or angled such that the light emitted from the fixture is focused to a point off the property of the owner of such light fixture.

1. Light Levels. Light levels shall be as follows:

	<u>at property lines including rights-of-way</u>	<u>minimum foot-candles</u>	<u>maximum foot-candles</u>	
a.	at property line abutting a residential zoning district	None	0.5	
b.	at property line abutting an office-professional zoning district	None	1.0	
c.	at property line abutting a commercial or light industrial zoning district	None	1.5	
	<u>off-street parking lots</u>	<u>minimum foot-candles</u>	<u>average foot-candles</u>	<u>maximum foot-candles</u>
d.	office-professional districts	1.0	4	8
e.	commercial districts	2.0	6	12
f.	light industrial districts	1.0	4	8

2. Security and Parking Lot Lighting.

- a. All security and parking lot lighting shall be installed such that the lamp (light-emitting device) is not protruding from the bottom of the fixture.
- b. All light fixtures shall be installed so that the light produced is emitted downward.
- c. Light shall not be emitted horizontally from the side of the fixture.
- d. Pole lights shall not exceed 35 feet in height and shall have box-type fixtures.
- e. Wall packs shall be used for security lighting along the side and rear of the buildings only and all light emitted shall be focused downward.

3. Sign Lighting. Sign lighting shall be as follows:

- a. light fixtures illuminating signs shall be aimed and shielded so that direct illumination is focused exclusively upon the sign.

4. Building Facade Lighting and Landscape Lighting. Building facade lighting and landscape lighting shall be as follows: light fixtures shall be selected, located, aimed and shielded so that direct illumination is focused exclusively upon the building façade, plantings and other intended site features and away from adjoining properties and the public street and right-of-way.

5. Architectural Lighting. Architectural lighting shall be as follows: decorative and architectural lighting is allowed upon the building façade if the lighting emits ten or less foot-candles and is focused downward.
6. Grandfathering of Nonconforming Light Fixtures. Grandfathering of Nonconforming Light Fixtures shall be as follows:
 - a. all light fixtures lawfully in place before the date of this Ordinance shall be grandfathered. However, any light fixture that replaces a grandfathered light fixture or any grandfathered light fixture that is moved shall meet the standards of this Ordinance;
 - b. grandfathered light fixtures that direct light toward a street or parking lot that causes disabling glare to motorists shall be either shielded or redirected within 90 days of notification from Dawson County so that the light fixtures do not cause a potential hazard to motorists;
 - c. grandfathered light fixtures that can be adjusted to conform to this ordinance without changing the fixture shall so comply within 30 days of notice from Dawson County regarding conforming to the terms hereof; and
 - d. new businesses occupying existing structures with grandfathered light fixtures that do not comply with the terms of this ordinance may not replace bulbs or repair offending light fixtures. Instead, the offending fixture shall be replaced.
7. Submission of Plans. All sites of new commercial construction shall provide the Dawson County Planning and Development Office a lighting plan for the site at the time of submission of plans before the issuance of land development permits or building permits, as applicable. The lighting plan shall include all proposed light fixtures, including light fixtures to be placed upon the building. The lighting plan shall show an overview of the site with light level calculations and foot-candles. The light intensity of each light fixture shall be in accordance with the regulations set forth herein. If light fixtures to be placed upon the building façade cannot be included during the submission of the plans, then the developer/owner/applicant shall show cause regarding why descriptions of the light fixtures cannot be shown at that time. If the cause shown is sufficient, then the Planning Director may allow the light fixtures to be shown when the developer/owner/applicant submits building plans if the developer/owner/applicant provides a revised lighting plan that provides information regarding the added light generated by such fixtures. All lighting plans submitted shall include a detail sheet, which shall provide descriptions of all light fixtures to be installed."
8. Single-Family residential use is permitted in any commercial zoning district.

Section 401. C-RB Rural Business District.

Rural Business Districts are areas where small businesses are established to meet the needs of the rural communities within the county. These establishments are usually located at rural cross roads and on collector roads rather than major arterial roads.

- A. Permitted Uses: The following users are allowed within this district. Uses not listed in this Subsection are prohibited in this district.
1. Retail gas sales (no repair garage).
 2. A general store, convenience-type only, not having more than one cash register or check-out counter.
 3. Small feed stores, hardware stores and nurseries, not exceeding 5,000 sq. ft.
 4. Animal hospitals or veterinarian clinics; provided however, that approval is granted for a ~~permissive use~~special use by the Board of Commissioners, after review and recommendation by the Planning Commission. The Board shall consider the evidence presented on the proposed use. They shall also consider all relevant data relating to the public interest including;
 - a. Noise factors which may impact adjacent residential areas,
 - b. Isolating factors, such as topography or buffers,
 - c. Possibility of noxious odors affecting adjacent properties
 5. Churches and cemeteries.
 6. Campgrounds and commercial fishing ponds.
 7. Public recreational, emergency service, utility, and semi-public uses.
- B. Prohibited Uses: The following uses are specifically not allowed within this district. Other uses not listed as permitted uses above are also prohibited in this district.
1. Those uses and activities generating sound, odor, or visual effects, which are objectionable and noticeable beyond property boundaries.
 2. Manufacturing, processing or other uses specifically listed as Permitted Uses in the Commercial Industrial Restricted District.
- C. Building Requirements:

The minimum area, yard, height and building requirements of the Rural Business District shall be as follows:

1. Minimum lot size: 43,560 square feet (one acre) except that where contiguous to a commercial district the minimum lot size will be that necessary to meet health department requirements concerning water supply and sewage disposal if required.
2. Minimum setbacks: See Section 400 – A, Side - 25 feet; Rear - 25 feet, except none when the adjacent property is commercial and there is no fire hazard created by lack of setback. Where the Rural Business District abuts a residential district, an additional 10

feet setback in order to provide a 10-foot wide screen or buffer may be required at the discretion of the Planning Commission.

3. Maximum Building Height: No structure shall be higher than 35 feet.
4. Screens or Buffers: Where noise, visual effects, or distracting activity is determined by the Planning Commission to affect adjacent property or roadway, a vegetative screen, cement or masonry wall, or earth berm may be required by the Planning Commission to reduce the undesirable effects.

C. Full Disclosure.

Commercial or industrial uses shall, as part of application, provide full disclosure of all hazardous or dangerous products used in their commercial or industrial processes together with an explanation of safety measures, disposal measures and emergency medical and evacuation procedures. Changes in processing or manufacturing after initial approval relative to this requirement must be reported to the Planning Director within fifteen (15) days. Information provided herein shall be provided to the Emergency Medical Service, the Fire Department and the Sheriff's Department.

Section 402. C-CB Community Business Commercial District.

Community Business Commercial Districts are areas where small businesses are established to serve needs within the local community and primarily of small retail stores and services, and usually located on collector roads rather than major arterial roads.

- A. Permitted Uses: The following uses are allowed within this district. Uses not listed in this Subsection are prohibited in this district.
1. All uses allowable in the C-RB District allowable in the C-RB District.
 2. Retail bakeries, art galleries, florist shops, fresh produce grocers, retail stores and service businesses, (specifically including automobile service stations) that are not otherwise prohibited under this district, provided that no single use permitted shall occupy more than 5,000 gross square feet of floor area in either a single building or within a multi-tenant center.
 3. Personal service uses including day care facilities, self-service laundries, barber shops, beauty parlor, photo studios, catering services, dress making, tailoring, alterations, shoe repair, appliance repair, bicycle repair, personal care homes and other uses similar in character provided that no single use permitted shall occupy more than 5,000 gross square feet of floor area.
 4. Kennels and animal grooming businesses; provided however, that approval is granted for a ~~permissive use~~ special use by the Board of Commissioners, after review and recommendation by the Planning Commission. The Board shall consider the evidence presented on the proposed use. They shall also consider all relevant data relating to the public interest including;
 - a. Noise factors which may impact adjacent residential areas,
 - b. Isolating factors, such as topography or buffers,
 - c. Possibility of noxious odors affecting adjacent properties
 5. Fabricating shops of small size such as woodworking shops, cabinet shops and upholstery shops (maximum size is 5,000 square feet).
 6. Churches and cemeteries.
 7. Public recreational, emergency service, utility, and semi-public uses.
- B. Prohibited Uses: The following uses are specifically not allowed within this district. Other uses not listed as permitted uses above are also prohibited in this district.
1. Retail Building Supply, lumber yards, etc.
 2. Those uses which generate sounds, odors, or visual effects, which are objectionable to the majority of adjacent property owners.
 3. Manufacturing, Processing or other uses listed as permitted uses under the Commercial Highway Business or Commercial Industrial Restricted District that are not expressly permitted in the Commercial Community Business District.

C. Building Requirements

The minimum area, yard, setback, and building requirements in the C-CB District are as follows:

1. Minimum lot size: 43,560 square feet (one acre) except that where contiguous to a commercial district the minimum lot size will be that necessary to meet health department requirements concerning water supply and sewage disposal if required.
2. Minimum setbacks: Front yard – See Section 400 – A, Side yard - 25 feet; Rear yard - 25 feet, except none when the adjacent property is commercial and there is no fire hazard created by lack of setback. Where the commercial district abuts a residential district, an additional 10 feet setback in order to provide a 10-foot wide screen or buffer may be required at the discretion of the Planning Commission. Back yard setback requirements are the same as side yard requirements herein.
3. Maximum Building Height. Buildings designed for human occupancy shall not be higher than 35 feet unless adequate fireproofing construction materials are used, an adequate sprinkler system is provided, and a fire escape system approved by the County Fire Marshall is installed. Non-occupied buildings, and water towers, smokestacks, radio antennas, etc. may be permitted if no hazard or other adverse effect is created for adjacent properties as determined by the Planning Commission after public notice and hearing.
4. Screens or Buffers - Where noise, visual effects, or distracting activity is determined by the Planning Commission to affect adjacent property or roadway, a vegetative screen, cement or masonry wall, or earth berm may be required by the Planning Commission to reduce the undesirable effects.
5. Maximum building size: No building or other use permitted in this district may occupy more than 5,000 gross square feet of floor area. Buildings containing more than one business or other permitted use shall be no larger than a total of 15,000 gross square feet of floor area.

D. Full Disclosure.

Commercial or industrial uses shall, as part of application, provide full disclosure of all hazardous or dangerous products used in their commercial or industrial processes together with an explanation of safety measures, disposal measures and emergency medical and evacuation procedures. Changes in processing or manufacturing after initial approval relative to this requirement must be reported to the Planning Director within fifteen (15) days. Information provided herein shall be provided to the Emergency Medical Service, the Fire Department and the Sheriff's Department.

Section 403. C-HB Highway Businesses Commercial District.

- A. Highway Business Commercial Districts are areas along major thoroughfares or major arterial roadways that provide services to transient customers, or serve a wide area, or depend upon the highway to transport materials or customers.
- B. Permitted Uses: The following uses are allowed within this district. Uses not listed in this Subsection are prohibited in this district.
1. Any use permitted in a C-CB district. (except the 5,000 square feet floor area limitation is excluded).
 2. Any use permitted in C-OI district.
 3. Hotel or motel, restaurants, cafes, or like establishments.
 4. Automobile, boat or farm implement sales or rental businesses.
 5. Assisted Living Facility, Nursing Homes
 5. Automobile or boat repair and service garages.
 6. Retail building supply stores and warehouses.
 7. Painting shops, printing shops, and sales outlets.
 8. Farmers market, flea markets.
 9. Greenhouses and nurseries.
 10. Furniture and appliance sales.
 11. Theaters, bowling alleys, pool halls.
 12. Radio or television broadcasting studios.
 13. Funeral homes and mortuary.
 14. Bus terminals, taxi stands, parking garages.
 15. Mini-warehouses.
 16. Dry-Cleaning establishments.
 17. Intensive recreation facilities (Music Parks, Recreation Vehicle Parks, Multiple Ownership Camping Areas, Racetracks, Sports Arenas, Gun Ranges, etc.) after Planning Commission review and approval of the Board of Commissioners.
 18. Public recreational, emergency service, utility, and semi-public uses.
 19. Wholesale Landscape supply yards (mulch, rocks, pine straw, etc.)

C. Prohibited Uses: The following uses are specifically not allowed within this district. Other uses not listed as permitted uses above are also prohibited in this district.

1. Those uses and activities generating sound, odor, or visual effects, which are objectionable and noticeable beyond property boundaries.
2. Manufacturing, Processing or other uses specifically listed as Permitted Uses in the Restricted Industrial District.

D. Building Requirements

The minimum area, yard, setback, and building requirements in the C-HB District are as follows:

1. Minimum lot size: 43,560 square feet (one acre) except that where contiguous to a commercial district the minimum lot size will be that necessary to meet health department requirements concerning water supply and sewage disposal if required.
2. Minimum setbacks: See Section 400 – A, Side yard - 25 feet; Rear yard - 25 feet,
 - a) Exceptions: No side or rear setback may be required when the adjacent property is commercial and there is no fire hazard created by lack of setback. Rear setback when abutting a residential district is 50 feet. Where the commercial district abuts a residential district, an additional 10 feet setback may be required in order to provide a 10-foot wide screen or buffer at the discretion of the Planning Commission or Board of Commissioners to reduce or eliminate noise factors, visual effects or the possibility of noxious odors that may negatively impact the adjacent residential area.
3. Maximum Building Height. Buildings designed for human occupancy shall not be higher than 35 feet unless adequate fireproofing construction materials are used, an adequate sprinkler system is provided, and a fire escape system approved by the County Fire Marshall is installed. Non-occupied buildings, and water towers, smokestacks, radio antennas, etc. may be permitted if no hazard or other adverse effect is created for adjacent properties as determined by the Planning Commission after public notice and hearing.
4. Screens or Buffers - Where noise, visual effects, or distracting activity is determined by the Planning Commission to affect adjacent property or roadway, a vegetative screen, cement or masonry wall, or earth berm may be required by the Planning Commission or Board of Commissioners to reduce the undesirable effects.

E. Full Disclosure.

Commercial or industrial uses shall, as part of application, provide full disclosure of all hazardous or dangerous products used in their commercial or industrial processes together with an explanation of safety measures, disposal measures and emergency medical and evacuation procedures. Changes in processing or manufacturing after initial approval relative to this requirement must be reported to the Planning Director within fifteen (15) days. Information provided herein shall be provided to the Emergency Medical Service, the Fire Department and the Sheriff's Department.

Section 404. C-PCD Commercial Planned Comprehensive Development District.

Commercial Planned Developments are areas which would otherwise be suited for classification as C-RB, C-CB, C-HB, or C-OI, but which, due to their size and scope, or the need to provide for a planned or phased development, or the need to combine disparate commercial and/or residential uses within the same planned development, such developments would not otherwise be permitted by the provisions hereof.

Purpose. This district is intended to provide for appropriate planned development of quality mixed use projects by allowing greater flexibility and creativity in the land development process, by undertaking techniques which foster community and pedestrians, by creating roadway and pedestrian connections to residential areas, by minimizing the need for surface parking through compact and efficient land use, providing transitions between high traffic streets and neighborhoods, and thereby achieving the objectives of the Dawson County Comprehensive Plan

- A. Permitted Uses. The following uses are allowed within this district. Uses not listed in this Subsection are prohibited in this district.
1. Corporate headquarters' and corporate campus developments
 2. Churches and their customary related uses, including cemeteries upon specific approval by the Board of Commissioners
 3. Assisted Living Facility
 4. Parks, playgrounds, community centers, and schools (public or private)
 5. Public cultural buildings such as libraries, museums, playhouses and theaters, and art galleries
 6. Condominiums and Townhouses
 7. Banks and other Financial Institutions
 8. Business and Professional Offices, including, but not limited to, medical, dental, legal, financial, architectural, engineering, real estate, insurance and manufacturing representatives.
 9. Personal service establishments, including, but not limited to, barber and beauty shops, drycleaners, and shoe repair.
 10. Retail establishments except the following:
 - a. Automobile dealerships
 - b. Motels, Hotels
 - c. Liquor stores
 - d. Drive-in Theaters
 11. Restaurants, grills, and similar eating and/or drinking establishments, including drive troughs.
 12. Nursery schools, and Day Care Centers

13. Continuing Care Retirement Community upon specific approval by the Board of Commissioners
 14. Wholesalers with a retail outlet.
 15. Upon determination by the Planning Commission and the County Commission Board of Commissioners that same will not be a hazard, or detrimental to the community, mixed density residential uses. Town homes and single-family residential units shall be limited to rear entry garages or drives via alleyways.
 16. Public recreational, emergency service, utility, and semi-public uses.
- B. Prohibited Uses. The following uses are specifically not allowed within this district. Other uses not listed as permitted uses above are also prohibited in this district.
1. Those uses and activities generating deleterious and hazardous sound, odor, or visual effects beyond the boundary of the area proposed for the C-PCD zone.
- C. Requirements and Standards for Approval.
1. An application for development as a Commercial Planned Comprehensive Development must contain a minimum area of ten (10) contiguous acres for strictly commercial proposals. The minimum area required for Commercial Planned Comprehensive Developments with a Residential component other than second story residential is twenty (20) acres.
 2. The Planning Commission and the County Commission Board of Commissioners in their review of the proposed development shall consider:
 - a. The proper relation between the proposed development and surrounding uses, and the effect of the plan upon comprehensive planning for Dawson County;
 - b. The adequacy of existing and proposed street, utilities, and other public services to serve the development; and
 - c. The character, design and appropriateness of the proposed land uses and the adequacy of the character, design and land use to encourage desirable development, including providing separation and screening between uses if desirable.
 3. Maximum building height shall be thirty-five feet (35') to allow for two to three story buildings unless adequate fireproofing construction materials are used, an adequate sprinkler system is provided, and a fire escape system approved by the County Fire Marshall is installed. Cornices on buildings shall align where possible within the development and the height shall transition in a step-down approach when adjacent to residential development.
 4. Final approval of a C-PCD shall not be granted until the owner or owners of the property give written notice of their consent to the proposed development.
 5. All CPCD projects shall have a minimum of two distinct types of land use. A minimum of fifty percent (50%) of the project shall consist of either, commercial, office, public, personal service, restaurant or similar uses. Land use calculation shall be determined by gross floor area for those projects that contain a vertical mixture of uses, and shall

be calculated by the total project land area for those projects containing a horizontal mixture of uses. Separate land uses shall be integrated both horizontally and vertically.

6. Parking shall be oriented behind or to the side of a building if possible and shared parking is highly encouraged.
7. If a residential component is included in the proposed development the following requirements apply:
 - a. If more than 80 residential units are included then a minimum of one amenity area including at least one pool, clubhouse, and two tennis courts, or a substantially similar equivalent amenity area;
 - b. Commercial and residential components of development shall be integrally designed to provide vehicular and pedestrian interconnectivity throughout the development;
 - c. Residential units may be developed up to a maximum density of 6 units per acre up to a maximum of 100 units.
8. Roads:
 - a. All Roads within C-PCD zoning may be a mixture of public and private roadways with public roadways primarily in commercial areas and private roadways within the residential area of the development.
 - b. Private roads are to be maintained by a mandatory property owners association formed by the developer.
 - c. Private roads are to be designated as private roads on all plats, maps, and deeds of the development. A disclosure statement shall be placed in each transfer deed regarding future maintenance responsibility of the private roads.
 - d. All private roads within the development shall be built to county standards for public roads.
 - e. All roads shall have sidewalks and permanent pedestrian access designed throughout the development and connecting adjoining developments.
 - f. Public or private streets shall connect the development to adjacent neighborhoods in zoning districts if possible
 - g. A traffic study shall be required on any project of more than 100,000 sq. ft. of commercial use and/or more than 100 dwelling units
9. Utilities:
 - a. Access and connection to public water and sewer shall be required for development within the C-PCD zone.
10. Lighting:

- a. Building entrances and parking areas and pathways shall be lit to two-foot candles with pedestrian scale lighting.
- b. Parking area lighting shall have an average of no more than 6-foot candles for the projects.
- c. In general light should be designed so that light is not directed off the site and the fixtures shall be fully shielded or be designed with cut-offs to eliminate up lighting, spill, and glare.
- d. Illuminance levels at property lines abutting adjoining residential districts shall be a maximum of 0.5-foot candles.

11. Open Space:

- a. The amount of permanent open space or natural space required shall be no less than thirty percent (30%) of the development.
- b. Natural areas that are unsafe for pedestrians or not easily accessible to pedestrians - including swamps, floodplains, wetland areas, steep slopes (thirty-five percent (35%) or more for a distance of 100 feet or more), woodlands, lakes, ponds and streams - may be included as open space; but these areas shall not count for more than fifty percent (50%) of the total open space required.
- c. Developments are encouraged to utilize creative methods for storm water management and quality when such methods provide additional open space opportunities.

12. Bonuses:

- a. Residential Density bonus:
 - i. Residential density may be increased by including second story units above retail or office which will not count against the overall 6 dwelling unit per acre density.
- b. Open space reduction bonus: A ten (10) percent reduction in open space may be granted if the development includes a majority of the following items;
 - i. The site layout clusters building on the site to promote linked trips. A cluster is a group of buildings that are attached, oriented on adjacent street corners, or are close together such that a pedestrian need not walk across more than 64 lineal feet between building entrances.
 - ii. The site layout includes pedestrian facilities that connect through the development to the public right-of-way
 - iii. The site includes within its open space an active park
 - iv. The development provides at least ten (10) sq. ft. of public space (i.e. public art, fountains, benches with a focal area, or similar public spaces)

in addition to sidewalks for every ten (10) off street surface parking spaces.

- v. Reducing impervious cover of parking areas using alternative paving techniques by ten percent (10%).

D. Review and Application Procedures.

1. Pre-application Conference. Prior to filing a formal application as a C-PCD, the applicant shall confer with the Planning Staff in order to review the general character of the plan (on the basis of a tentative land use sketch if available) and to obtain information on projected programs and other matters.

2. Development Plan

- a. An applicant shall file an application with the Planning Staff for approval of a Commercial Planned Comprehensive Development. This application shall be supported by a development plan and written summary of intent, and shall show the relation between the proposed development and the surrounding area, both existing and proposed.

- b. The following items shall be presented

- i. A general location map;
- ii. Existing topographic conditions, including contour interval of no more than two feet based on field surveys or photogrammetric methods;
- iii. The existing and proposed land uses and the approximate location of all buildings and structures;
- iv. The approximate location of all existing and proposed streets and major thoroughfares;
- v. The approximate location of all existing and proposed utilities; including a preliminary utility and drainage plan;
- vi. A legal description of the subject property and a current boundary survey;
- vii. The location and use of existing and proposed, public, semi-public or community facilities such as school, parking and open areas. The plans should include areas proposed to be dedicated or reserved for community or public use;
- viii. If a proposed development creates special concerns or problems or involves unusual circumstances, then additional information may be required to properly evaluate the proposal; the additional information may include the following information:

- * An off-street parking and loading plan;
- * An economic feasibility study report or market analysis;
- * A comprehensive traffic study of the area;

- * A traffic circulation plan within the development;
- * An environmental impact study; and
- * Other information as may be required.

3. The written statement submitted with the development plan shall include the following items:
 - a. A statement of the present ownership of all land within the proposed development;
 - b. An explanation of the character of the proposed development, including a summary of acres, development units, and gross density by type of land use. The explanation shall include minimum standards for floor area, lot size, yard and spacing requirements;
 - c. A development schedule and progression of unit division or staging; if applicable, both residential and commercial portions of the project shall be included in the first phase.
 - d. Proposed agreements, provisions, and covenants, which govern the use, maintenance, and protection of the development and any common or open areas.
4. A master drainage plan to identify major forms of detention/retention and to encourage creative water quality and quantity treatment processes.

E. Approval.

An application for approval of a C-PCD will be considered administratively as an application for amendment of the District Map and will be subject to the procedures established in this Resolution.

If the development plan is approved as submitted, the Planning Staff will cause the District Map to be changed to indicate the C-PCD. If the development plan is approved with modifications, the applicant shall file a properly revised site plan with the Planning Staff prior to changing the District Map. The site plan and supporting information of any approved plan shall be properly identified and permanently filed with the Planning Office.

F. Building and Occupancy Permits.

At such time as application is made therefore, the Department of Planning and Zoning, shall issue building permits for buildings and structures in the area covered by the approved development plan if they are in substantial conformity with the approved development plan, the development schedule, and with all other applicable regulation. The Building Inspector shall issue a certificate of occupancy for any completed building or structure located in the area covered by the approved development plan if it conforms to the requirements of the approved plan and all other applicable regulations.

G. Revision of the Development Plan.

Any major or substantial change in the approved development plan which affects the intent and character of the development, the density or land use pattern, the location or dimensions of streets, or similar substantial changes must be reviewed and approved by the County Commission Board of Commissioners subsequent to receipt of the recommendation of the Planning Commission. A request for a revision of the development plan shall be supported by a written statement justifying the necessity or desirability for such revisions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Planning Director shall have authority to approve minor changes in lot sizes or configurations without prior approval of the Planning Commission or County Commission Board of Commissioners.

H. Reversion of Zoning Approval.

1. If any portion of an approved development is rezoned to any other land use classification prior to the substantial completion of construction of internal streets or buildings (whichever is commenced first), the approval of the development plan shall lapse under this provision, in which event the Planning Director by operation of law shall, within 30 days of the rezoning approved by the County Commission Board of Commissioners: (a) cause the development to be removed from the official zoning map; (b) file a notice of revocation with the recorded development plan; (c) notify each owner of record, in writing, of the action; and (d) reinstate the land use classification and regulation which were in effect prior to the approval of the development plan.
2. If implementation of any approved C-PCD is delayed by more than two years from the approved schedule of development, no further development shall be allowed until the undeveloped portion of the tract is reclassified to another land use classification or the development plan as provided for in Subsection D above is revised in accordance with the procedures set forth in Subsection G above. This provision shall be in lieu of the requirements of this Resolution.

I. Fees.

At time of application for reclassification to Commercial Planned Comprehensive Development (C-PCD), the applicant shall pay a non-refundable fee of \$400.00 which fee shall be in addition to any other fees required by this resolution.

Section 405. C-OI Commercial Office Institutional District.

Within the Office Institutional District a variety of offices, professional offices, institutions and public offices not involving the sale, wholesale, storage or processing of merchandise are permitted. No retail sales or wholesale shall be permitted. Areas zoned to this classification are not intended to be retail centers, commercial or industrial activities. Rather, it is the intent of the district to provide locations for a wide range of open, uncrowded sites for offices, professional offices and clinics and institutions. This district is primarily located along highways and/or major arteries, but can also be located in an area dominated by institutions, such as a park or hospital, where a wide range of land uses are required.

- A. Permitted Uses. The following uses are allowed within this district. Uses not listed in this Subsection are prohibited in this district.
1. Professional offices, including but not limited to business, medical, insurance, real estate and general, but not involving retail sales of any kind.
 2. Assisted Living Facility, Nursing Homes
 2. Banks and related financial institutions.
 3. Schools, public or private, elementary, secondary, and those of higher learning, parochial, vocational, technical as well as instructional studios.
 4. Medical facilities including hospitals and clinics.
 5. Conference training centers and facilities.
 6. Clubs, lodges and fraternal institutions, not to exceed 10,000 square feet of gross floor area.
 7. Churches, temples, synagogues and places of worship and their customary accessory uses, including cemeteries.
 8. Public parks, playgrounds, recreational center and senior social centers, public museums and art galleries.
 9. Day care centers.
 10. Public libraries.
 11. Post offices and branch postal services.
 12. Governmental office functions, including police stations, fire stations and administrative facilities.
 13. Parking or public garage.
 14. Public recreational, emergency service, utility, and semi-public uses.
- B. Prohibited Uses. The following uses are specifically not allowed within this district. Other uses not listed as permitted uses above are also prohibited in this district.

1. Those uses and activities generating sound, odor, or visual effects, which are objectionable and noticeable beyond property boundaries.
2. Manufacturing, processing or other uses specifically listed as Permitted Uses in the Commercial Industrial Restricted District.

C. Building Requirements

The minimum area, yard, setback, and building requirements in the C-OI District are as follows:

1. Minimum lot size: 43,560 square feet (one acre) except that where contiguous to a commercial district the minimum lot size will be that necessary to meet health department requirements concerning water supply and sewage disposal if required.
2. Minimum setbacks: See Section 400 – A, Side yard - 25 feet; Rear yard - 25 feet.
 - a. Exceptions: No side or rear setback may be required when the adjacent property is commercial and there is no fire hazard created by lack of setback. Rear setback when abutting a residential district is 50 feet. Where the commercial district abuts a residential district, an additional 10 feet setback in order to provide a 10-foot wide screen or buffer may be required at the discretion of the Planning Commission. Additional exaction's and requirements for access, curb cuts, deceleration and acceleration lanes, traffic signals, water, sewer, etc., may be determined and required by the Planning Commission or Board of Commissioners. To reduce or eliminate noise factors, visual effects or the possibility of noxious odors that may negatively impact the adjacent residential area.
3. Maximum Building Height. Buildings designed for human occupancy shall not be higher than 35 feet unless adequate fireproofing construction materials are used, an adequate sprinkler system is provided, and a fire escape system approved by the County Fire Marshall is installed. Non-occupied buildings, and water towers, smokestacks, radio antennas, etc. may be permitted if no hazard or other adverse effect is created for adjacent properties as determined by the Planning Commission after public notice and hearing.
4. Screens or Buffers - Where noise, visual effects, or distracting activity is determined by the Planning Commission to affect adjacent property or roadway, a vegetative screen, cement or masonry wall, or earth berm may be required by the Planning Commission to reduce the undesirable effects.

D. Full Disclosure.

Commercial or industrial uses shall, as part of application, provide full disclosure of all hazardous or dangerous products used in their commercial or industrial processes together with an explanation of safety measures, disposal measures and emergency medical and evacuation procedures. Changes in processing or manufacturing after initial approval relative to this requirement must be reported to the Planning Director within fifteen (15) days. Information provided herein shall be provided to the Emergency Medical Service, the Fire Department and the Sheriff's Department.

Section 406. C-IR Commercial Industrial Restricted District.

Restricted Industrial Commercial Districts are areas where there are manufacturing, processing, fabricating, or other uses, which may generate noise, odors, traffic activity and may require special energy, waste disposal, or other special utility support services.

- A. Permitted Uses. The following uses are allowed within this district. Uses not listed in the Section are prohibited in this district.
1. All uses allowable in the CHB District.
 2. Sawmills, lumber and wood products processing or storage, pulpwood yards.
 3. Textile manufacturing, processing, fabrication, assembly.
 4. Metals, cement, plastics, or wood products manufacture, fabrication, or production, including furniture manufacture.
 5. Truck or cargo transfer terminals, bus garages.
 6. Wholesale building supply and material storage or sales, and warehousing, including mini-storage warehousing.
 7. Airports or airfields, after Planning Commission review and approval of the Board of Commissioners.
 8. Mining, dredging, and sand or gravel removal operations, after Planning Commission determines not to be dangerous, offensive, unhealthy, nor detrimental to the community that is not listed as prohibited activities or uses in Dawson County in Section 601.
 9. Bottling works and ice manufacturing plants.
 10. Storage of petroleum products, but only after the location of the premises has been approved by the Fire Chief and, further provided that residential homes shall not be located within 100 yards of the location.
 11. Public and semi-public recreation facilities.
 12. Public recreational, emergency service, utility, and semi-public uses.
 13. Public and semi-public services uses subject to the review and approval of the Planning Commission and Governing Body. These uses include but are not limited to substations, transformers, telephone exchanges, transmission towers, pump houses, satellite receiving stations, etc.
 14. Inert waste landfills and compost production facilities.
 15. Adult Oriented Businesses as per the Dawson County Adult Oriented Business Ordinance.
 16. Any other industrial use that the Planning Commission or Board of Commissioners determines not to be dangerous, offensive, unhealthy, or detrimental to the

community that is not listed as prohibited activities or uses in Dawson County in Section 601.

17. Solar Farms

- a. Freestanding solar panels located on the ground shall not exceed twenty (20) feet in height above the ground
- b. Freestanding solar panels shall meet all setback requirements as required for buildings
- c. Solar Farms shall have approval by the Planning Commission and the Board of Commissioners as a ~~permissive use~~ special use or ~~special use permit~~.
- d. Solar Farms shall be located on parcels greater than five (5) acres

B. Prohibited Uses. The following uses are specifically not allowed within this district. Other uses not listed a permitted uses above are also prohibited in this district.

- 1. Any industrial or commercial use that the Planning Commission or the Board of Commissioners determines to be a hazard, detrimental, or objectionable to the community.
- 2. The following uses and activities unless specifically approved by the Planning Commission and Board of Commissioners: cement or asphalt manufacture, steel fabrication industries, petroleum refinishing or bulk storage of highly inflammable products, stockyards or feedlots, commercial slaughtering of animals, paper or wood pulp manufacture, open pit mining, quarrying, or sand/gravel removal operations.

C. Building Requirements

The minimum area, yard, setback, and building requirements in the C-IR District are as follows:

- 1. Minimum lot size: 43,560 square feet (one acre) except that where contiguous to a C-IR the minimum lot size will be that necessary to meet health department requirements concerning water supply and sewage disposal if required.
- 2. Minimum setbacks: See Section 400 – A, Side yard - 35 feet; Rear yard - 35 feet, except none when the adjacent property is commercial and there is no fire hazard created by lack of setback. Rear setback when abutting a residential district is 50 feet. Where the commercial district abuts a residential district, an additional 10 feet setback in order to provide a 10-foot wide screen or buffer may be required at the discretion of the Planning Commission. Additional exaction and requirements for access, curb cuts, deceleration and acceleration lanes, traffic signals, water, sewer, etc., may be determined and required by the planning commission.
- 3. Maximum Building Height. Buildings designed for human occupancy shall not be higher than 35 feet unless adequate fireproofing construction materials are used, an adequate sprinkler system is provided, and a fire escape system approved by the County Fire Marshall is installed. Non-occupied buildings, and water towers, smokestacks, radio antennas, etc. may be permitted if no hazard or other adverse effect is created for

adjacent properties as determined by the Planning Commission after public notice and hearing.

4. Screens or Buffers - Where noise, visual effects, or distracting activity is determined by the Planning Commission to affect adjacent property or roadway, a vegetative screen, cement or masonry wall, or earth berm may be required by the Planning Commission to reduce the undesirable effects.
5. Additional Requirements - The Planning Commission and Governing Body reserve the right to set special requirements for certain industries which may require greater screening and buffer requirements, thereby creating greater lot or area requirements.

D. Full Disclosure.

Commercial or industrial uses shall, as part of application, provide full disclosure of all hazardous or dangerous products used in their commercial or industrial processes together with an explanation of safety measures, disposal measures and emergency medical and evacuation procedures. Changes in processing or manufacturing after initial approval relative to this requirement must be reported to the Planning Director within fifteen (15) days. Information provided herein shall be provided to the Emergency Medical Service, the Fire Department and the Sheriff's Department.

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Section 407. Conditional Uses

~~Purpose. The purpose of a conditional use is to allow certain uses that due to their uniqueness, may be conditionally allowed with or without reasonable stipulations forgoing the need of a formal rezoning. Clear guidelines for these uses conditionally allowed within specific zoning districts shall be provided to ensure visual and site requirements are followed. These additional requirements are necessary to mitigate any potential impacts on adjoining properties that may occur due to the inclusion of a particular use. An application for a conditional use may be submitted upon determination of the planning director, with review and recommendation of the Planning Commission and approval of the Board of Commissioners without formal rezoning.~~

1A. Telecommunication Towers and Antennas as a Conditional Use Purpose and Intent

Purpose and Intent.—The purpose of this section is to establish guidelines for the siting of all wireless, microwave towers, common carrier towers, cellular, television and radio telecommunications towers and antennas. The regulations and requirements set forth herein are adopted for the following purposes:

- 1. ~~e.~~ To provide for the location of communication towers and communication antennas in Dawson County;
- 2. ~~b.~~ To effect the visual impacts of communication towers and antennas through careful design, siting, landscape screening and innovative camouflaging techniques;
- 3. ~~e.~~ To accommodate the growing need for communication towers and antennas while minimizing the total number of towers within the community necessary to provide adequate personal wireless services to residents of Dawson County;
- 4. ~~d.~~ To promote and encourage shared use/co-location of existing and new communication towers as a primary option rather than construction of additional single-use towers; and
- 5. ~~e.~~ To consider public health, safety and welfare;.

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B. Applicability

- 1. ~~e.~~ All new communication towers and communication antennas in Dawson County shall be subject to these regulations and all other applicable regulations, and shall require special use approval following the procedures for Amendments as set forth in Article X in this Land Use Resolution. For purposes of measurement, communication tower setbacks and separation distances as set forth in this Article shall be calculated and applied irrespective of County and municipal jurisdictional boundaries.
- 2. ~~b.~~ All communication towers and communication antennas legally existing on [date of adoption] shall be considered legal non-conforming uses, allowed to continue their usage as they presently exist: provided however, anything other than routine maintenance, including without limitation, structural modifications including provisions for additional antennas or additional providers and/or new construction on an existing communication tower, shall comply with the requirements of this Article with the exception of separation distances. Routine

maintenance shall be permitted on such existing towers.

~~3. e.~~ The performance and construction standards provided for in this Article shall apply to all new communication tower construction including such construction that shall occur in areas zoned under the Commercial Tower zoning designation established by the Land Use Resolution of Dawson County, now repealed.

~~4. d.~~ All government towers with public safety systems or equipment shall be exempt from the requirements of this subsection. However, private facilities and structures proposed for placement on governmentally owned property shall not be exempt.

~~5. e.~~ This ordinance shall not govern any tower, or the installation of any antenna, that is thirty-five (35) feet or less in height and is owned and operated by a federally licensed amateur radio station operator from the operator's residence.

C. General Requirements.

~~1. a.~~ **Principal or Accessory Use.** A tower and/or antenna is considered a principal use if located on any lot or parcel of land as the sole or primary structure, and is considered an accessory use if located on a lot or parcel shared with a different existing primary use or existing structure. An existing use or structure on the same lot or parcel shall not preclude the installation of an antenna or tower. For purposes of determining whether the installation of a tower or antenna complies with zoning district requirements, including but not limited to set-back, buffer and other requirements, the dimensions of an entire lot or parcel shall control, even though the antenna or tower may be located on a leased area within such lot or parcel. Towers that are constructed and antennas that are installed, in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance shall not be deemed to constitute the expansion of a non-conforming use or structure. Accessory structures to the tower are for that of the facility only, no offices, vehicles or material storage is allowed in structure.

~~2. b.~~ **Inventory of Existing Sites.** To facilitate the co-location of antennas, each applicant seeking to locate a new tower, alternative tower structure or antenna, or to modify any such existing structure, shall provide to the Department of Planning and Development an inventory of applicant's existing towers or alternative tower structures. Applicants seeking to erect an amateur radio tower or antenna as defined by Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regulations shall be exempt from this provision. The inventory shall include all such structures that are within the jurisdiction of the governing authority; within a municipality located, in whole or in part, within Dawson County; and within a one mile border of Dawson County, and shall include specific information about the location (latitude and longitude coordinates), height, design, tower type and general suitability for antenna co-location of each tower, and other pertinent information as may be required by the Department of Planning and Development. The Department of Planning and Development may share such information with other applicants for a Communication Tower permit under this Ordinance or other organizations seeking to locate towers or antennas within the jurisdiction of the governing authority, provided, however that the Department of Planning and Development is not, by sharing such information, in any way representing or warranting that such sites are available or suitable.

D. Application Requirements.

~~1. a.~~ Each ~~special conditional~~ use application shall include a scaled site plan with

topographical information, an elevation view, and other supporting drawings, calculations and documentation.

- ~~2. b.~~—The site plan must include setbacks, drives, parking, fencing, landscaping, adjacent uses, also the distances to all structures within 1000 feet, and any other information necessary to review the request.
- ~~3. e.~~—Documentation of radio frequency range, coverage area, and tower height requirements.
- ~~4. d.~~—Documentation of all hazardous and / or flammable materials that may be located on site, their quantity and method of storage.
- ~~5. e.~~—Location and height of all existing towers owned by the applicant inside of and within one mile of the boundary of Dawson County.
- ~~6. f.~~—New freestanding communication towers and communication antennas shall not be allowed unless the applicant makes an affirmative showing based on competent substantial evidence that:
 - ~~a. 1.~~—Existing towers and buildings do not technologically afford the applicant the ability to provide service to the service area of the applicant or service provider, and
 - ~~b. 2.~~—The geographical boundaries of the proposed service area cannot technologically be bifurcated to avoid the necessity for a freestanding tower/antenna, and
 - ~~c. 3.~~—There exists a present demand and formal commitment by a minimum of one wireless provider (may be that of the applicant) to locate at the proposed site.
- ~~7. j.~~—All wireless telecommunications applications that are located on rooftops, water tanks must be able to adhere to the following aesthetic criteria:
 - ~~a. 1.~~—Camouflage radome material
 - ~~b. 2.~~—Paintable
 - ~~c. 3.~~—Dual Polarized Antenna if camouflage and painting is unavailable.
 - ~~d. 4.~~—No roof top MW dish may exceed 4 feet in diameter.
 - ~~e. 5.~~—Antennae placed on rooftops should be setback from the roof edge at a 1:1 ratio to the height of the antenna.
- ~~8. k.~~—A balloon test is also required to be performed. Provide the date and time of the testing on the application and the applicant is further required to notify adjoining property owners of same.
- ~~9. l.~~—If the telecommunications tower is federally funded, licensed or permitted a Section 106 Review is required pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act to establish the effect, if any, on historic resources.

E. Zoning Requirements.

Communication towers and communication antennas are considered special conditional uses and upon proper application and approval may be permitted in the following zoning categories:

1. ~~a.~~ C-CB
2. ~~b.~~ C-HB
3. ~~c.~~ C-PCD
4. ~~d.~~ C-IR
5. ~~e.~~ R-A, if proposed to be located on a single lot or parcel of not less than 5 acres
6. ~~f.~~ C-RB
7. ~~g.~~ CT, if zoned prior to May 1, 2010.

Special Conditional use status shall be revoked if not used within one year of approval.

F. Performance and Construction Standards.

1. ~~a.~~ **Structural Design.** New Communication towers/antennas and modifications to existing structures including, without limitation, the addition of height, antennas or providers shall be constructed in accordance with all applicable County Building Codes and shall meet or exceed current standards and regulations of all applicable Federal, State and Local authorities. Lattice tower structures, self-supporting or guyed structures are prohibited.
2. ~~b.~~ **Setbacks.** Communication tower/antenna setbacks shall be measured from the base of the tower/antenna or protruding building structure at the base of the tower, whichever is closest to the property line, to the property line of the parcel on which it is located. Communication towers/antennas and their accessory structures shall comply with the minimum lot and setback requirements of the district in which they are located. In cases where there is a conflict between the minimum lot setback and street setback requirements, the greater setback shall apply. Guy wires and support anchors are required to meet setbacks; they shall not extend outside of the property line and must be contained within the fenced area of the tower site.
3. ~~c.~~ **Separation from Residential Uses.** Separation requirements for communication towers from residentially zoned lands, as outlined in Article III of this resolution except those lands zoned R-A, or residential uses shall be a minimum of 195 linear feet. Communication tower separation shall be measured from the base of the tower to the closest point of off-site uses.
4. ~~d.~~ **Separation Distances between Communication Towers.** Separation distances between communication towers shall be applicable for and measured between the proposed tower and those towers that are existing and/or have received land use or building permit approval from the County. The separation distances shall be measured by drawing or following a straight line from the base of the existing tower to the base of proposed tower, pursuant to a site plan, of the proposed tower. Minimum separation distances (listed in linear feet) shall be as follows:

SEPARATION REQUIREMENTS BY TOWER TYPES

PROPOSED TOWER TYPES	Lattice, Self-Supporting or Guyed	Monopole 75' in Height or Greater	Monopole Less Than 75' in Height
Camouflaged or Monopole 75' in Height or Greater	15,840 feet	15,840 feet	10,560 feet
Camouflaged or Monopole Less than 75' in Height	10,560 feet	10,560 feet	10,560 feet

~~5. e.~~ **Fencing.** A chain link fence or wall not less than six (6) feet in height, from finished grade equipped with an appropriate anti-climbing device shall be provided around each communication tower. Access to the tower shall be through a locked gate.

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~~6. f.~~ **Landscaping.** Landscaping shall mitigate the visual impacts of a communication tower. Where adequate vegetation is not present, tower facilities shall be landscaped with a landscape buffer that effectively screens the view of the tower compound. The use of existing vegetation shall be preserved to the maximum extent practicable and may be used as a substitute for or in supplement towards meeting landscaping requirements.

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~~a. 1.~~ Landscape buffers shall be a minimum of ten (10) feet in width and located outside the fenced perimeter of the tower compound; and

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~~b. 2.~~ A row of trees a minimum of eight (8) feet tall (planted height) and a maximum of twenty (20) feet apart shall be planted around the perimeter of the fence; and

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~~c. 3.~~ A continuous hedge at least thirty (30) inches high at planting and capable of growing to at least thirty-six (36) inches in height within eighteen (18) months shall be planted in front of the tree line referenced above; and

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~~d. 4.~~ All landscaping shall be of the evergreen variety and conform with landscape standards to be approved by Planning & Development Office at the time of permitting.

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~~e. 5.~~ If existing foliage is to be used as buffer, it must be labeled and incorporated into site plan and approved through Planning & Development Office.

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~~e.f. 6.~~ Upon final installation of new trees, shrubs or other landscape material planted to meet the requirements of this section and prior to receipt of a Certificate of Occupancy, the owner shall either provide proof of warranty or post a Maintenance Bond or other acceptable surety, warranting the new material for a period of no less than one (1) year. The bond shall be posted in an amount equal to 20% of the actual cost of the material and installation.

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~~b.g.~~ The department shall perform an inspection of the plantings and landscape materials required by these regulations prior to the expiration of the one (1) year warranty or maintenance period. The tower owner shall be notified of any replacements or restoration that must be made to maintain

compliance with these regulations.

Required landscape materials found to be dead or near death shall be replaced prior to release by the Department of the warranty or maintenance surety. In no case shall replacement be delayed more than thirty (30) days from notification, unless a performance bond is posted with the Department. Such performance shall be completed within six (6) months of posting.

7. Height. No freestanding communication tower/antenna shall exceed 195 feet in height from ground level. Where installed on top of a building, no communication tower/antenna shall extend greater than 20% over the building height. *An existing communication tower may be modified to a taller height not to exceed 20 feet over the tower's existing height, NEVER to exceed the maximum height of 195 ft., to accommodate the co-location of an additional communication antenna(s).*

- a. The height change referred to in this subsection may only occur one time per communication tower.
- b. The additional height referred to in this subsection shall not require an additional distance separation. The communication tower pre-modification height shall be used to calculate such distance separations.

8. Illumination. Communication towers/antennas shall not be artificially lighted.

9. Co-location. Proposed communication antennas may and are encouraged to co-locate onto existing communication towers, provided such co-location is accomplished in a manner consistent with zoning and performance standards, new or additional ~~special conditional~~ use approval is not required. If it is determined by the County that the proposed tower is situated in a location which will benefit the County's telecommunication systems, then the tower shall be engineered and constructed to accommodate the additional telecommunication equipment beneficial to the public system at a cost to the County no greater than the actual expense of the provider in so engineering and constructing the tower to meet the County's needs.

~~a. 1.~~ Monopole communication towers shall be engineered and constructed to accommodate a minimum of three additional communication service providers.

~~b. 2.~~ Camouflaged communication towers may be engineered and constructed without accommodating additional communication service providers.

~~c. 3.~~ Communication towers located within electrical substations may be engineered and constructed without accommodating additional communication service providers. Such towers shall be monopole construction and shall be subject to all of the requirements of Article II, Communication Tower and Communication Antenna Permits and Regulations.

G. Noninterference. No communication tower or antenna shall interfere with public safety communication. Frequency coordination is required to ensure

noninterference with public safety system and/or public safety entities.

H. Variances. Any request to deviate from any of the requirements of this section shall require approval of the Planning Commission.

I. Documentation. Documentation to demonstrate conformance with the requirements of Performance Standards shall be submitted by the applicant with all requests to construct, locate or modify a communication tower/antenna. A statement by the applicant as to how construction of the communication tower will accommodate co-location of additional antennas for future users shall be included with the documentation. Documentation evidencing a present commitment from the proposed service providers to locate at the proposed site shall also be included by applicant, at time of permitting

A-J. Signs and Advertising. A small sign placed on the entrance gate of sufficient size, not to exceed four (4) feet in total area shall display the name of the person or corporation owning the tower, the name of the person or corporation owning the property (if different from tower owner), FCC registration number and a current mailing address with a name and phone number of a person to contact in case of an emergency. All other signage is prohibited and the use of any portion of a tower for sign or advertising purposes including, without limitation, company name, banners, or streamers, is prohibited.

B-K. Abandonment. Without waiving the County's right to determine whether or not a communication tower has been abandoned, it shall be the duty of the tower owner to notify the County in writing of any intent to abandon use of the tower. Said notice shall include steps that tower owner shall take to accomplish removal of the tower structures. In the event the use of any communication tower has been discontinued for a period of 180 consecutive days, the tower shall be deemed to have been abandoned. Upon such abandonment, the owner/operator of the tower shall have an additional 45 days within which to: (1) reactivate the use of the tower or transfer the tower to another owner/operator who makes actual use of the tower; or (2) dismantle and remove the tower. The Owner of the tower shall be ultimately responsible for all costs of dismantling and removal and in the event the tower is not removed within 45 days of abandonment, the County may proceed to do so and assess the costs against the tower owner. The lien of such assessment shall bear interest, have priority and be collectable at the same rate and in the like manner as provided for by Georgia law. At the earlier of 46 days from the date of abandonment without reactivation or upon completion of dismantling and removal, any ~~conditional-use~~ special use permit, waiver and/or variance approval for the tower shall automatically expire.

E-L. Finished Color. Communication towers not requiring FAA painting/markings shall have either galvanized finish or be painted with a non-reflective paint in a non-contrasting blue, gray or black finish. The color should be selected so as to minimize the equipment's visibility.

D-M. Maintenance. To ensure the structural integrity of towers, the owner of a tower shall be maintained in compliance with standards contained in applicable standards for towers that are published by the Electronic Industries Association, as amended from time to time. If, upon inspection, the governing authority concludes that a tower fails to comply with such codes and standards and constitutes a danger to persons or property, then upon notice being provided to the owner of the tower, the owner shall have thirty (30) days to bring such tower into compliance within such standards. If the owner fails to bring such tower into compliance within said thirty (30) days, the

governing authority may remove such tower at the owners' expense. Any such removal by the governing authority shall be in that manner provided in Sections 41-2-8 through 41-2-17 of the Official Code of Georgia.

E.N. **Liability Insurance.** Liability insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 shall be maintained by the owner and operator of the facility until such facility is dismantled and removed from the parent site. Failure to maintain insurance coverage shall constitute a violation of this Code and grounds for revocation of ~~conditional~~ ~~use~~ ~~special~~ ~~use~~ approval. Proof of same shall be supplied to the Department of Planning and Development upon application for permit.

F.O. **Fees.**

1. The fees for ~~conditional~~ ~~special~~ use approval for a communication tower/antenna shall be \$2,500 inclusive of the third party review cost.
2. The development plan review fees shall be the same as for any commercial development.
3. The building permit fees shall be set at \$500.00 and shall cover the tower and associated equipment building. Any other permits required shall be charged at the prescribed rate at the time of development or construction.
4. As with any ~~special~~ ~~conditional~~ use ~~or~~ ~~special~~ ~~exception~~ application, the applicant shall be required to submit fee amounts as deemed sufficient and appropriate by the County in order to obtain any needed technological expertise so as to assist County staff in evaluation the request. In order to receive an objective, qualified verification of the application submitted requesting the approval of a ~~special~~ ~~conditional~~ use permit for a communication tower / antenna, an independent RF consulting company, chosen by Dawson County, will evaluate such application. The independent consulting company will evaluate all RF applications on the merits of the applicant's ability to meet or exceed the standards of this article. The fee to secure a third party review shall be inclusive in the ~~conditional~~ ~~special~~ use request fee paid by the applicant at the time of filing for a ~~conditional~~ ~~special~~ use permit with the County. Information to be provided to the independent consultant for review and evaluation is as follows:
 - a. No new telecommunications structure may be constructed without providing the following information:
 1. Propagation map of Existing Coverage (scale) on Paper and Proposed Coverage (scale) on Clear Film with RSSI (Received Signal Strength Indicator) or Eb/Io values distinguished by different color criteria.
 2. Latitude/Longitude (NAD 27), Ground Elevation AMSL, Antenna Radiation Center, ERP (watts) out of the antenna, Antenna Manufacturer, Antenna model, Antenna Beam width, Antenna Tilt, Antenna Gain and Antenna Pattern.
 3. Name of Propagation Tool, Propagation Parameters specifications.
 4. Frequency TX Band / RX Band, License Block.
 5. Inventory of applicant's existing sites within a 5-mile radius.

6. Name, Number and title of submitting engineer.

[Note: If propagation parameters are not submitted then a test transmitter drive shall be conducted after test procedures and hardware are pre-approved and verified on site by the Independent Consulting Company.]

- b. No new telecommunications structure may be constructed if proof of the following can be made:
 1. 80% of the proposed coverage area can be accomplished by an existing structure or alternate means of transmission (i.e. repeater, carrier system modification).
 2. Proposed Telecommunications site exceeds FCC RF emissions Power Density standard of 1 mw/cm² for uncontrolled environments.
 3. Telecommunication site does not meet FAA/FCC rules and Regulations.
 4. A previously approved site application will meet the current applicant's coverage or capacity objectives.
- c. Any approved wireless telecommunication tower must adhere to the following conditions:
 1. Proof of FAA 'No hazard determination assessment' or 'No notice of construction needed'. If a notice of construction is required, the FAA can only grant the 'No Hazard of Determination Assessment'. Only an Aviation consultant once coordinated with the Independent Consultant can determine if a No notice of Construction is warranted if and only if the tower is greater than 5 miles from an airport or 2 miles from a Heliport.
 2. Update of ERP (watts) per site, per sector upon filing for new cell tower.
 3. Update of antenna type, antenna beam width, antenna gain, antenna tilt, and Radiation Center upon filing for new cell tower.

P. Variance. Any request for variance from the provisions of this article shall be presented directly to the Dawson County Planning Commission per Article IX of this resolution.

Q. Violation. Any person violating the provisions of these regulations shall be guilty of violating a duly adopted Ordinance of Dawson County, and upon conviction by a court of competent jurisdiction may be penalized pursuant to Section 1206 of the Land Use Resolution.

**ARTICLE V.
(MUV) MIXED USE VILLAGE USE DISTRICT**

Section 500. Purpose.

The Mixed Use Village (MUV) district is established primarily to encourage the development of mixed use developments consisting of both residential and commercial property. The MUV district is intended to:

- A. Encourage the development of large tracts of land as planned, mixed use communities;
- B. Encourage flexible and creative concepts in site planning;
- C. Preserve the natural amenities of the land by encouraging scenic and functional open space areas; and
- D. Provide for an efficient use of land.

Section 501. Use Regulations.

Within the MUV district, land and structures shall be used in accordance with the standards set forth herein. Any use not specifically designated as a permitted use shall be prohibited.

- A. **Permitted Uses.** Structure and land may be used for only the following purposes:
 - 1. Single-family attached dwellings;
 - 2. Single-family detached dwellings;
 - 3. Multi-family dwellings;
 - 4. Patio homes;
 - 5. Townhomes;
 - 6. Condominiums;
 - 7. Apartments;
 - 8. Live work units; residential, above or behind commercial and office uses in the same building;
 - 9. Small accessory apartments (guest house);
 - 10. Accessory buildings and uses;
 - 11. Clubs and lodges (non-commercial);
 - 12. Colleges and universities;
 - 13. Commercial and office uses;
 - 14. Retail and service uses;

15. Day care facilities;
16. Family day care;
17. Golf courses;
18. Group homes;
19. Guest houses;
20. Home occupations;
21. Neighborhood recreation centers;
22. Nursing home facilities;
23. Continuum of care retirement facilities
24. Parks, public and private;
25. Personal care homes;
26. Public utility facilities;
27. Recycling centers (collecting);
28. Religious institutions;
29. Retirement centers;
30. Schools, public and private;
31. Public uses;
32. Parking structures

B. **Conditional Special Uses:** Low intensity manufacturing not to exceed 50,000 square feet for the total MUV. Such facilities must be located in an enclosed building or structure, must be designed to fit the architectural theme of the community, must not emit any noxious odors or noise and shall not be used for the storage of hazardous materials.

C. **Prohibited Uses:** Structure and land shall not be used for the following purposes: Adult entertainment establishments; adult video stores; adult book stores; adult novelty stores; mobile homes; or any use not designated as a permitted use.

Section 502. Land Area.

Land area for the MUV shall be 500 to 1,000 acres in size.

Section 503. Density and Lot Sizes.

The gross overall density shall not exceed 2.8 units per acre; however, to promote innovative design, the intent of the MUV is to be density neutral. There is no specific lot size required or specified. Lot sizes shall be based on the development master plan presented and approved by

the Dawson County Board of Commissioners. Density and intensity of land uses are specified in Table 2-1 "Mixed Use Village" of the latest adopted version of the Dawson County Comprehensive Plan.

Section 504. Village Core Area.

The Village Core Area is defined as the geographic area within the community where the majority of commercial, business and public facilities shall be located that are intended to serve the entire community. The Village Core Area should also contain dense housing as compared to the rest of the community. The Village Core Area shall be designated on the conceptual plan.

Section 505. Setbacks and Buffers.

Front, side and rear setbacks and buffer requirements shall be established as part of the Master Development Plan.

Section 506. Building Height.

No building shall be more than 3 stories in height or more than 35 feet in height, whichever is less, unless approved by the County Board of Commissioners as part of the Master Development Plan. The height limitation does not apply to unoccupied and inaccessible architectural features (e.g., church spires, belfries, cupolas and domes, parapet walls, monuments, government-owned observation towers, water towers, chimneys, flag poles, and similar structures).

Section 507. Utility Construction.

All water and sewer service construction shall meet the standards of the service provider. Utilities shall be placed underground. Storm water facilities shall be constructed to the specifications of the applicable local or state authority.

Section 508. Transportation System.

The street network shall be designed in a generally connected pattern limiting cul-de-sacs when possible. Street patterns shall be designed to respect and follow existing topography as much as possible, to minimize earthmoving and disruption of existing natural features. The applicant may request alternative design standards for infrastructure such as narrower streets or alternative stormwater methods to provide for more creative land development and to decrease potential environmental impacts of proposed development. Any proposed alleyways shall be designed in accordance with the approved development plan. Streets shall be designated public or private on the Master Development Plan.

A. Streets shall be designed to:

- i. Preserve existing hardwood tree lines and watercourses;
- ii. Minimize alteration of natural, cultural and historic features;
- iii. Minimize acreage devoted to streets;
- iv. Calm vehicle traffic;
- v. Promote pedestrian circulation;
- vi. Maximize the view of natural vistas.

- B. **Street Construction.** Street design and construction shall be shown on in the Master Development Plan. In the Core Village the street shall be designed to meet the 300 to 600 feet grid. See § 2-38 of the Community Agenda.
- C. **Parking.** Parking spaces shall be provided in accordance with current Dawson County regulations as to number of spaces for a particular use and dimension of spaces. Parking may be shared between uses if no conflicts shall arise from such arrangement. If shared parking is proposed, then the applicant shall submit a plan for such arrangement with the Master Development Plan
 - a. On-street parking shall be permitted throughout the district and shall be depicted on the Master Development Plan. On-street parking spaces shall count toward the minimum spaces required based on the land uses proposed. Off-street parking design shall be approved by the Dawson County Department of Public Works.
- D. **Alleys.** Alleys shall be permitted as appropriate. Alleys shall be designed with a minimum of 12-foot lane width and a minimum R-O-W of 20 feet. Alley design shall be approved by the Dawson County Department of Public Works.
- E. **Pedestrian Circulation.** As part of the Master Development Plan, the applicant shall submit a pedestrian circulation plan depicting size and location of all pathways, trails and sidewalks. All proposed land uses shall be connected to the pedestrian circulation system. Multi-use trails shall be noted in the Master Development Plan. Golf carts are permitted on the multi-use trails if so designated on the Master Development Plan.
- F. **Street Trees.** As part of the Master Development Plan, the applicant shall provide a street tree plan showing the location, spacing and type of street trees proposed throughout the development. Such plan may be depicted on a section of roadway providing an example of the intended tree planting program for the entire community. Street trees shall not be required in areas where the applicant intends to preserve existing trees. Developments in the MUV district shall meet the provisions of the most current landscaping requirements adopted by Dawson County related to parking areas.

Section 509. Sign Program.

The intent of the MUV district is to promote architectural style in signage by encouraging monument type signs using architectural materials. As part of the Master Development Plan, the applicant shall submit a sign plan that illustrates the size and style of signs to be constructed, as well as a description of materials to be used for all freestanding, wall, entrance and directional signage. The intent of these regulations is to promote signs architecturally compatible with surrounding development.

Section 510. Open Space.

A minimum of 30 percent of the total land area of the MUV district shall be open space or green space. Open space may include areas for both passive and active recreation. Examples include parks, playgrounds, play fields, plazas, greenways, trails, streams, creeks, ponds and natural areas. The concept plan shall show all proposed areas of open space. For the purpose of this section, the developer or owner may designate a portion of the open space as a wetland, stream and/or wildlife mitigation bank, and such area shall be counted as part of the open space. In addition, such mitigation bank may be placed in the ownership of a third party but shall be considered as part of the overall required development open space as long as such area remains a mitigation bank or is undeveloped.

Section 511. Architectural Standards.

As part of the concept plan approval process, the applicant shall provide preliminary information regarding the architectural theme of the community. Such preliminary information shall include drawings showing at least two typical residential elevations and drawings showing at least two elevations of typical proposed commercial buildings.

As part of the Master Development Plan approval process, the applicant shall submit information regarding intended architectural design for the community. Such information shall include at minimum a description of materials and colors of exterior of all buildings, roofing materials and pitches, and requirements (if appropriate) regarding porches and parking garages. Architectural standards may change due to future changes in the real estate market pertaining to household sizes and buyers wants and desires. The Planning Commission and Board of Commissioners shall have the authority to approve any modifications to architectural standards within the Master Development Plan.

Section 512. Landscaping.

Prior to constructing any structure or facility, the applicant shall submit a landscaping plan showing the location of all proposed landscaping for the area to be disturbed. Such plan shall show all proposed planting material (type and size), ground cover, proposed irrigation, and existing vegetation to be preserved.

Section 513. Approval Process.

In order to develop in the MUV district, the applicant shall first obtain approval of the concept plan. Thereafter or concurrent with presentation of the concept plan, the applicant shall submit a detailed Master Development Plan that shall be approved before the issuance of a land disturbance permit.

- A. **Concept Plan.** In order to rezone to MUV, the developer/applicant must submit a Concept Plan that shall include, but not be limited to:
 - a. Proposed uses;
 - b. Number of units per use;
 - c. Designated areas of use;
 - d. Open space, amenities, road systems, access points;
 - e. Proposed name of development;
 - f. Location of all wetlands and streams as those terms are defined under State and Federal law; and
 - g. Public and private streets.

A Concept Plan of the development shall be submitted to Dawson County at the time of filing for rezoning to the MUV district. The Concept Plan shall be prepared by an architect, landscape architect, engineer and/or land surveyor whose state registration is current and valid.

After the Concept Plan is approved, minor variations from the plan shall be permitted if the requirements of the Concept Plan and Site Plan Amendments Section of the Land Use Resolution of Dawson County are met.

As each phase of the development is developed, the owner shall provide Dawson County with an updated summary of density "used" and remaining density "available" for future phases.

- B. **Master Development Plan Approval.** After zoning for the MUV district is approved, which includes approval of the concept plan, or concurrent with applying for re-zoning to MUV district, the developer and/or property owner shall submit the proposed Master Development Plan for any phase to be constructed before a land disturbance permit is approved by Dawson County. The Master Development Plan shall include:
- a. Location of streets, roadways, alleyways, sidewalks, trails and other transportation facilities;
 - b. Location and size of water and sewer facilities;
 - c. Location and size of all stormwater and sediment control facilities;
 - d. Location and size of lots and building areas along with proposed setbacks;
 - e. Location and designation of all buffered areas; streams, creeks and waterways, wetlands, adjacent property owners;
 - f. Location of proposed open space/greenway areas;
 - g. Proposed sign program with specifications and locations of signs;
 - h. Proposed landscaping for the particular phase to be developed;
 - i. Architectural standards as stated in this Article.
 - j. Additional items that may be requested by the Dawson County planning staff or the Board of Commissioners necessary to insure compliance with the terms of this Article.

After the Master Development Plan is approved, variations from the Master Development Plan shall be submitted to the Planning Commission for review and recommendation and then submitted to the Board of Commissioners for approval or denial.

As each phase of the development is permitted, the owner shall provide Dawson County with an updated summary of density "used" and remaining density "available" for future phases.

**ARTICLE VI
GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Section 600. Purpose.

The purpose of this Article is to provide for general requirements of this Resolution to include: Uses prohibited in Dawson County; setback, screening, and buffer and clear vision requirements; access requirements; conditional and non-conforming uses; and maintenance of minimum resolution requirements.

Section 601. Prohibited Uses.

In order to protect the health, welfare, and safety of the residents of Dawson County, the following uses shall not be permitted in any District in Dawson County:

- A. Manufacture of hydrochloric, nitric, sulfuric, or picric acids, or other products, which, in case of accidental release, are hazardous to life.
- B. Production of chlorine or other noxious gases.
- C. Distillation of bones, rendering or refining of fats, oils, or animal parts.
- D. Dumping or reduction of garbage, dead animals, or offal, other than at county-operated sanitary landfills according to Georgia Department of Public Health regulations and Department of Agriculture regulations. Dead farm animals, including poultry, will be disposed of according to appropriate regulations on the owner's property, if known.
- E. Manufacture of explosives or storage of more than 100 pounds of explosives.
- F. Manufacture of fertilizer.
- G. Storage or dumping of hazardous, toxic, or radioactive wastes.
- H. Hair, glue or leather manufacture.
- I. Smelting of tin, copper, zinc, or iron ores.

Section 602. Setback, Screening, Buffer, and Vision Requirements.

- A. Building setback requirements are established to provide for minimum distance from adjacent structures and property lines, minimum distance from streets and highways, clear vision at road intersections, and safe distances from hazards.
- B. No structure shall be less than 10 feet from an adjacent structure unless constructed with common or contiguous walls such as may occur in townhouses, condominiums, apartments, or intensive commercial development, and unless structures comply with the provisions of the Georgia Building Code concerning fire safety, e.g., fire-resistant construction, warning systems, barriers, sprinkler systems, and fire escapes, as necessary, or as required by the Planning Commission.
- C. Building setbacks are established according to the following table unless otherwise noted in each respected district (except RPC)

LOCATION	DISTANCE
Front	100 feet form Parkways, 60 feet from state or federal highway, and 40 feet from all other streets or roads
Side	25 feet
Rear	35 feet
R-A	50 feet from property line or road or 200 feet from residence on adjacent lot, whichever is greater, for all buildings occupied by animals or animal products
Lake	No setback required from Lake Lanier Government Line
Sewage	Public Health Department requires 10 feet form property line and 100 feet from a well for septic field lines. (This is subject to change, please check with the Health Department to verify setbacks)

- D. A clear vision area shall be maintained on the corners of all property at intersection of two streets or a street and a highway. A clear vision area shall contain no planting, fence, wall, structure, or temporary or permanent obstruction exceeding 36 inches in height, except for trees with branches and foliage removed to a height of eight feet above the ground at grade level or open wire fencing that does not obscure sight. There must be a sight distance of 200 feet from a point 10 feet behind the point of intersection of roadway surfaces.
- E. Screens or buffers may be required by the Planning Commission to reduce the impact of adjacent incompatible uses, in addition to specific requirements in Land Use Districts. The Planning Commission shall consider proposed uses, the purpose and effectiveness of a screen or a buffer and its maintenance. Screens and buffers may constitute part of required open space or setbacks of a proposed use. The required screens or buffer shall be only in locations and dimensions necessary to perform a stated function. The width of screens and buffers may be adjusted to take into account the topography and conditions at the specific site and use. Natural screens and buffers are preferred; however, fences, walls, earth berms, or similar techniques may be used. Planted screens should be sufficient to obscure the proposed land use within five years.
- F. Uses which are unconventional or incompatible with adjacent or surrounding uses or which involve nudity or other activity which is offensive or otherwise jeopardizes the health, safety, or welfare of Dawson County's citizens, may require special measures to separate the use from surrounding uses, to minimize the offensive nature of the activity or prevent a violation of State or local law. In such cases, the Planning Commission may require buffers, screens, barriers, or other measures to appropriately address that use.

Section 603. Access Requirements.

Every lot shall abut a street or other public or privately maintained roadway for at least 30 feet. Where lots are five acres or more, or are exempted from subdivision requirements, a minimum easement of 30 feet for ingress and egress and utilities must be provided to a public road. No property owner shall be deprived of access to his property. Access easements acquired before the enactment of this Resolution may be 20 feet wide and property before the effective date of this Resolution with at least 20 feet of frontage shall, as an exception, not be required to acquire

additional frontage where the necessary property to acquire 30 feet is owned by another person.

Section 604. Maintenance of Minimum Resolution Requirements.

No person shall, by deed, gift, or other conveyance, reduce the lot size under minimum requirements unless given for Public use or a variance is approved therefore.

Section 605. Conditional Special Uses.

~~Conditional Special uses are those uses that are authorized by the Land Use Resolution but are allowed only upon condition that they are approved by the Board of Commissioners subject to meeting certain standards or conditions. Special uses may be granted subject to special use approval following the procedures for Amendments as set forth in Article X and with consideration of additional review criteria that may be established in this Land Use Resolution, by variance, which set out specific conditions as requirements for that variance. If those specific conditions are violated or omitted, the use previously authorized is automatically revoked and the property reverted to the use before the variance or conditional use was granted without further action by the Planning Commission or County Commissioner.~~

Section 606. Non-Conforming Uses.

Any structure or use of land existing before the enactment of this Resolution, unless in violation of Subdivision Regulations, Mobile Home Park and Mobile Home Regulations, or Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Resolution previously in effect, not in conformity with District Use Provisions, may be continued; provided, however, the non-conforming use shall not be:

- A. Changed to another non-conforming use;
- B. Re-established after discontinuance for a period of 90 days;
- C. Expanded except in conformity with this Resolution;
- D. Rebuilt, altered, or repaired after damage exceeding 75% of the fair market value of the structure immediately before the damage occurred;
- E. Replaced, except the replacement of an old or destroyed manufactured housing with new manufactured housing when the manufactured housing is the primary residence and occupied by the owner.
- F. For commercial and business purposes, a legal non-conforming status is proven by possession of a valid, legally obtained, Dawson County Business License within the past 12 months

Section 607. Off-Street Parking and Loading Spaces Required.

Except and unless otherwise specifically provided, this Section shall apply only to properties located within the RB, CB, HB, OI, CPCD, CIR, and IA Zoning Districts.

- A. Off-street automobile parking and loading spaces shall be provided, as specified in this Section, for uses and structures hereafter established in the IA and all commercial districts at the time of initial construction of any principal building, unless otherwise exempted from this Resolution. For developments phased in timing, parking and loading requirements may also be phased in accordance with the requirements applying for each particular time phase of development.
- B. Any building or use that is subsequently enlarged or converted to another use shall meet the off-street parking and loading space requirements of this Section, for the enlarged or new

use.

- C. Required parking and loading spaces shall be maintained and shall not be encroached upon by refuse containers, signs or other structures, unless an equal number of spaces are provided elsewhere in conformance with this Resolution.
- D. Required parking and loading spaces shall be provided with vehicular access to a public street or alley, unless such access is prohibited by this Resolution.
- E. Off-street parking and loading facilities required shall be located on the same lot as the principal building or use. However, as much as fifty (50%) percent of the required number of parking spaces may be located within four hundred (400) feet of the principal building or use, provided proof of ownership or a valid lease agreement for use of such premises is provided to the Administrative Officer. Such distance shall be measured between the nearest point of the parking facility and the nearest point of the principal building or use.

Section 607.1.A. Minimum Number of Off-Street Parking Spaces Required.

The minimum number of required off-street parking spaces for each type of permitted use shall be as indicated below. For uses not specifically listed, the off-street parking requirements shall be those of the most similar use as determined by the Administrative Officer. The Administrative Officer may also reference the latest American Planning Associations Parking Standards Report. When referencing APA Reports weight should be given to the jurisdiction listed with a population density closest to that of Dawson County. When the application of these parking requirements results in a fractional space requirement, the fractional space requirement shall be construed to mean one (1) additional space.

TYPE OF USE	PARKING REQUIRED
Apartment, multiple-family residential use <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Clubhouse or recreation centerb. Leasing office	Two spaces per dwelling unit Ten spaces, minimum Four spaces
Arcade, game room	One per 200 sq. ft. gross floor area
Art Gallery, Museum, etc.	One per 300 sq. ft. gross floor area
Assembly hall, community centers	One space per four fixed seats
Auditorium, stadium, gymnasium	One space per four fixed seats
Automobile <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Sales and Service	One per 150 sq. ft. gross floor area
Bank or financial institution	One per 200 sq. ft. gross floor area
Barber or beauty shop	Three spaces for each operator or chair
Billiard hall, Poolroom	One per 200 sq. ft. gross floor area
Boarding or rooming houses	One per guest room plus one per employee
Bowling alley	Three spaces per lane

Church or places of worship	One space per four fixed seats in auditorium
Convenience store/ Gas Station	One per 200 sq. ft. gross floor area
Correctional Facility	One per each employee on maximum shift, plus One per every 25 inmates
Dance studio	One per emp. + one per 150 sq. ft. gross
Day care center	One per ten children, + one per employee
Dormitory	One per 2 beds
Duplex	Two per dwelling unit
Food store, grocery	One per 200 sq. ft. gross floor area
Funeral home or mortuary	One per four seats in largest assembly room
Furniture or appliance stores	One per 600 sq. ft. gross floor area
Golf Course	Three per hole plus one per two employees
Health Club, spa	One per 150 sq. ft. gross floor area
Hospital, clinic Nursing home or other long term care facility	One per two beds + one per 3 employees One per two beds + one per staff
Hotel, motel employees	One per guest room + one per two
Industrial or manufacturing	Two per three employees on largest shift
Laundry, self-service	One per 200 square feet of gross floor area
Library, museum floor area	One per 200 square feet of gross
Lodge, club room	One per three seats in largest assembly
Mini-warehouse or Self-Storage Facility	One per 20 stalls + two per office
Miniature golf course	Three spaces per hole
Mobile home park	Two per dwelling + one per resident manager
Multi-family residential (condominiums, townhouses, etc.)	Two per dwelling unit plus one additional guest space per 4 units in an off-street parking area
Office a. Medical or Dental	One per 250 square feet of gross floor area Six spaces per practitioner

Parks and Subdivision Activity/Amenity Areas	One per 5,000 square feet of land area Ten spaces minimum
Personal services	One per 200 square feet of gross floor area
Restaurant or lounge	One per 100 square feet of gross floor area
Retail, general	One per 200 square feet of gross floor area
School, private	One per 10 classroom seats + one per staff person
School elementary	One per 15 classroom seats + one per staff person
School, high	One per 10 classroom seats + one per staff person
School, college, trade, vocational commuter only	One per 5 classroom seats + one per staff person
School, college, trade, vocational with dormitories	One per 10 classroom seats + one per staff person Dormitory facilities not included
Shopping center	One per 200 square feet of gross floor area
Single-family residence	Two spaces per dwelling unit
Theater, cinema	One space for each five seats Ref variance 04-06
Warehouse	One per 500 square feet of gross floor
Wholesale	One per 500 square feet of gross floor

This is redundant of verbiage located in the initial paragraph of this section.

Section 607.1.B. Maximum Number of Off-Street Parking Spaces Allowed.

- A. Purpose. Limiting the number of spaces allowed promotes efficient use of land, enhances urban form, encourages use of alternative modes of transportation, provides for better pedestrian movement, and protects air and water quality.
- B. The maximum number of off-street parking spaces for any building or use shall not exceed the amount determined as follows:
 - 1. Parking lots of more than 20 and less than 50 spaces. Parking lots may not have more than one hundred twenty percent (120%) of the minimum number of spaces required as identified in Section 607.1.A.

2. Parking lots of 51 spaces or more. Parking lots may not have more than one hundred ten percent (110%) of the minimum number of spaces required as identified in Section 607.1.A.
3. Parking lots described in the above categories may be allowed up to one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the minimum number of spaces required as identified in Section 607.1.A. if the parking installed which exceeds the minimum requirement is installed using porous paving techniques or other ecologically friendly techniques. The planning director must approve any parking design, which exceeds the regularly allowed maximum number of spaces.

Section 607.2. Handicapped Parking Requirements.

In all land use intensity districts each parking area for six (6) or more spaces devoted to uses other than residential shall provide handicapped parking spaces (a minimum of twelve feet in width with 4 feet of the parking space to be designated as loading area), counted as a part of the total parking required, in accordance with the following scale:

TOTAL PARKING REQUIREMENTS HANDICAPPED SPACES REQUIRED	
6 - 25	1
26 -50	2
51 -75	3
76 -100	4
101 -150	5
151 -200	6
201 -300	7
301 -400	8
401 -500	9
501+	2% of total required

Section 607.3 Minimum Number of Off-Street Loading Spaces Required.

- A. On the same lot with every building, structure or part thereof, erected or occupied for manufacturing, storage, warehouse, truck freight terminal or single unit retail or wholesale store over 25,000 square feet or other uses similarly involving the receipt or distribution of vehicles, materials or merchandise, there shall be provided and maintained on the lot adequate space for the standing, loading and unloading services to avoid undue interference with public use of streets and alleys.

For the above-described uses, one (1) loading space shall be provided for the first 25,000 square feet of gross floor area or fractional part thereof. Uses in excess of 25,000 square feet shall provide loading spaces according to the following schedule:

SQUARE FEET NUMBER OF SPACES	
25,001 - 50,000	2
50,001 - 100,000	3
100,001 - 200,000	4
200,001 - 300,000	5
For each additional 100,000 or fraction thereof	1 additional

- B. On the same lot with every building, structure or part thereof under 25,000 square feet, erected or occupied for retail, wholesale, restaurants, or onsite service providers or other similar uses, there shall be provided and maintained on the lot adequate space for the standing, loading and unloading services to avoid undue interference with public use of streets and alleys.

For the above-described uses, one (1) loading space minimum shall be provided. For multi-unit structures one (1) loading space per every 5 units shall be provided.

Loading space size requirements:

Each loading space shall be a minimum of twelve (12) feet by sixty (60) feet, with a fourteen (14) foot height clearance. Loading spaces must be marked and placed separate from access drives.

All plans for off-street loading areas shall be subject to the approval of the Administrative Officer.

Section 607.4. Parking and Loading Area Design Requirements.

Improvement of Parking Lots:

- A. All parking areas containing more than five (5) spaces shall meet the following requirements:
 - 1. They shall be graded to insure proper drainage with curb and gutter installed as required to facilitate stormwater management, surfaced with concrete or asphalt, and maintained in good condition free of obstructions.
 - 2. Parking areas shall not be used for the sale, repair, dismantling or servicing of any vehicle, equipment, materials or supplies.
 - 3. Each parking area shall be clearly marked and directional arrows or signs shall be provided wherever necessary. Markers, directional arrows and signs shall be properly maintained at all times.
 - 4. A parking lot pavement setback of ten (10) feet from any public street right-of-way and five (5) feet from any exterior property line shall be provided, except where access points and interconnections to other parcels have been approved.
 - 5. Any lighting facilities installed shall be so arranged to prevent the direct illumination of adjacent residential properties or public streets.
 - 6. A site plan indicating property lines, parking areas, location of parking spaces, pavement setbacks, drainage facilities, paving materials, access and other features required to ensure compliance with this Article shall be submitted to the Administrative Officer. A permit shall be required prior to the construction of new parking areas, or for the expansion or alteration of existing parking areas.

Section 607.5. Landscaping and Design in Parking Areas.

Refer to the Dawson County Buffer, Landscape and Tree Ordinance for design specifications.

Section 607.6. Curb Cut and Access Specifications.

A. Access from public streets to all parking areas for any permanent or temporary uses, buildings and/or structures, regardless of the number of parking spaces provided, shall meet the following requirement:

1. No more than two (2) curb cuts or access breaks shall be permitted for any lot or parcel with a frontage of two hundred (200) feet or less on any one (1) street.

All other Curb Cut and Access Specification requirements shall be referenced from the Dawson County Driveway Construction and Permitting Ordinance adopted April 15, 2004 as amended and are regulated by the Public Works Director of Dawson County.

Section 607.7 Parking Space Design Requirements

A. All parking spaces installed within parking areas regulated by Section 607.4 shall meet the following size requirements:

1. All standard spaces shall have a minimum width of 9 feet.
2. All standard spaces that are installed 90 degrees off of the curb shall have a minimum stall depth of 18 feet.
3. All standard spaces that are installed 60 degrees off of the curb shall have a minimum stall depth of 20 feet.
4. All standard spaces that are installed 45 degrees off of the curb shall have a minimum stall depth of 20 feet.
5. All standard spaces that are installed 30 degrees off of the curb shall have a minimum stall depth of 18 feet.
6. All parallel parking spaces shall have minimum width of 9 feet off the curb and a minimum length of 22 feet.

(Stall Depth is defined as a measurement at 90 degrees from the curb to the end of the parking space striping)

B. Aisle widths in parking areas regulated by Section 607.4 shall meet the following requirements:

1. The minimum aisle width for spaces installed 90 degrees off of curb shall be 24 feet.
2. The minimum aisle width for spaces installed 60 degrees off of curb shall be 18 feet for one-way traffic and 20 feet for two-way traffic.
3. The minimum aisle width for all other spaces shall be 14 feet for one-way traffic and 20 feet for two-way traffic.

Spaces installed 90 degrees off of curb shall not be allowed on thru streets or aisles.

Section 608. Additional Requirements for Commercial and Agricultural Activities.

A. Any application involving a request for a zoning or rezoning to any commercial district classification shall be accompanied by a scaled drawing in such form specified by the

Planning Commission showing all pertinent distances and dimensions and depicting all proposed improvements.

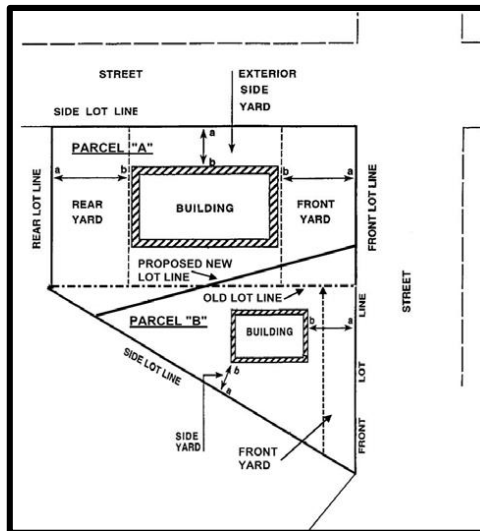
- B. Any application involving a request to construct a major farm building as described in [Sections 301 and 307 Article 3](#) of this Resolution, or a building to be occupied by animals or animal products as described in Section 602 of this Resolution, shall be accompanied by a scaled drawing in such form specified by the Planning Commission showing all pertinent distances and dimensions and depicting all proposed improvements.

Section 609. Lots of Record.

The following allowances and modifications to lots of record can be made, or are deemed to be made by certain actions.

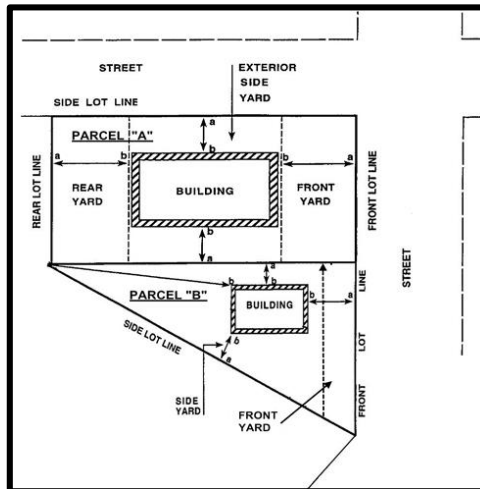
- A. Although a lot may not contain sufficient land area, width or lot frontage to meet the minimum lot size requirements of this resolution, such lot may be used as a building site if all other requirements of the district are met and that building plans are consistent with all state and local health codes.

Example A: Parcel A conforms, Parcel B has non-conforming lot size



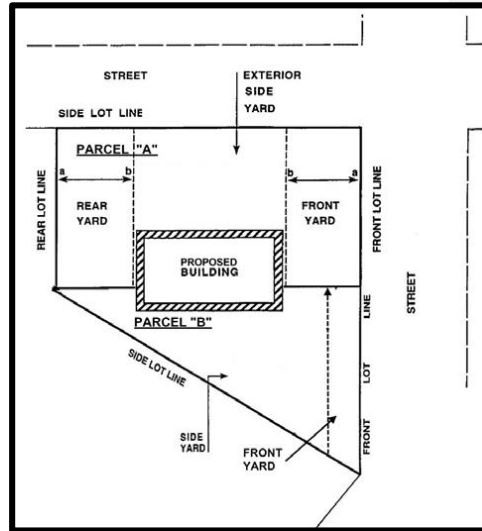
- B. The line between two adjoining lots of record that are non-conforming as to lot size may be modified only such that neither lot becomes smaller. If a non-conforming lot of record adjoins a lot that meets or exceeds lot size standards, then the line may be modified only such that the non-conforming lot does not become smaller, and the conforming lot is not made non-conforming.

Example B: Re-plot of both lots such that Parcel A is the same size & Parcel B is not smaller

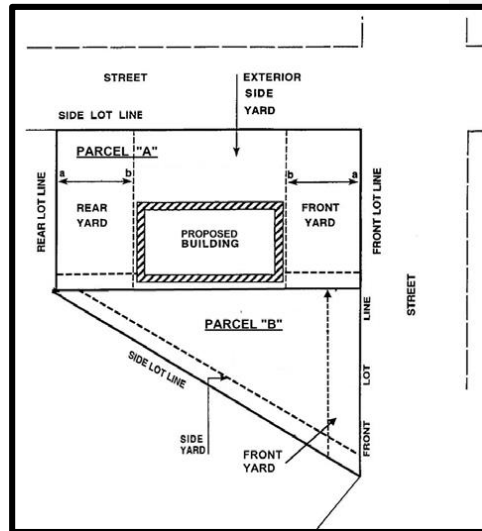


- C. If a building is proposed for construction across the line between two lots of record under the same ownership that are non-conforming as to the lot size or frontage, then the lots shall be resurveyed and recorded to be combined. If a building is proposed for construction within a setback between two lots of record under the same ownership that are non-conforming as to lot size or frontage, then the lots may be resurveyed and recorded to be combined, or a request for a setback variance may be considered.

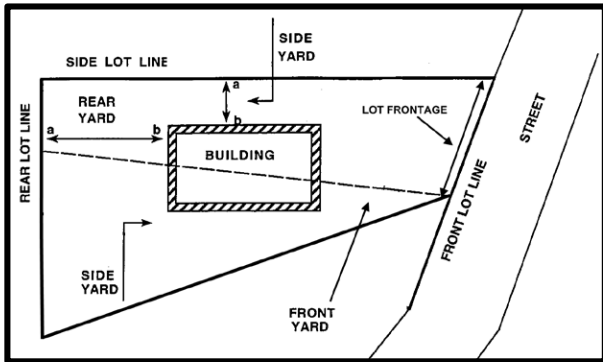
Example C1: Same owner for both parcels
Requires re-plat of property to remove separation



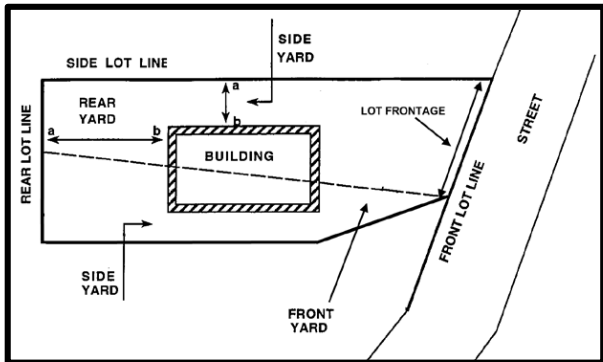
Example C2: Same owner for both parcels.
Proposal to build in setback of one parcel
requires re-plat or variance approval.



D. A lot that is non-conforming in one dimensional criteria, but conforming to other criteria, may be modified such that the conforming criteria is rendered non-conforming, and the non-conforming **criteria** is not made non-conforming to a greater extent. For example, if a non-conforming lot of record has less than the required lot frontage, but has excess lot area, then the lot area can be reduced as long as the lot maintains the minimum lot area. However, the lot frontage cannot be reduced.



Example D1: Existing lot with less than required lot frontage, but more than the minimum acreage required



Example D2: Existing lot with new side lot line and minimum required acreage NOTE: no change in Lot Frontage

E. If a legal lot of record is resurveyed for combination, line change or other alteration in accordance with this section and recorded with the Clerk of Court's office, then; the most recent recorded plat takes precedence and shall be considered the new lot of record.

Section 610. Concept Plan and Site Plan Amendments:

Concept Plan and Site Plan Amendments are broken down into two categories, Major Amendments and Minor Amendments.

- i. Major Amendments in the case of a rezoning will require a resubmission and review by the Planning Commission members and the Board of Commissioners. All others require the approval of the Planning Director. Major Amendments include but are not limited to:

1. Major conceptual change as defined by the Planning Director
 2. Increases the density proposed
 3. Increases the square footage of the commercial development by 10% or greater.
 4. Changes the location of collector, arterial or commercial streets
 5. Relocates Active amenity area or Active open space
 6. Has an effect on adjoining properties
 7. A request for exemption or relief from a previously approved stipulation
- ii. Minor Amendments are approved by the Planning Director. Minor Amendments include anything less than Major Amendments and but are not limited to:
1. Changes to the location of minor or residential streets
 2. Relocates Passive open space
 3. Adjusts lot lines not resulting in new lots
 4. Decreases Passive open space up to a maximum of 10% (while still meeting the minimum open space requirement of zoning)
 5. Increases Passive open space
 6. Reduces the approved density
 7. Increases the square footage of the commercial development by less than 10%
 8. Decrease the commercial square footage of an approved development
 9. Has no effect on adjacent or adjoining properties

Section 611. Home-Based Businesses

A. Administration and Enforcement. Dawson County enforces the County's Business License Ordinance. Any person failing to comply with any provision of the Dawson County Business License Ordinance may be subject to Article XII of the Land Use Resolution and may be punished by a maximum fine of \$1,000, as well as penalties imposed within the Business License Ordinance.

Any licensee failing to comply with this Section shall have the Business License revoked. If a business license application involves a home occupation and is denied by the Planning Director, then the Applicant may file a variance request in accord with Article IX of the Land Use Resolution of Dawson County. The approval for a Home Office or Home Occupation shall not "run with the land" and shall terminate with a change in location or ownership of the Home Office or Home Occupation or ownership of the premises.

B. Exceptions

1. Uses currently allowed in the RA Zoning District (Agricultural Residential) shall be subject to the requirements for permitted and prohibited uses set forth within the Land Use Resolution of Dawson County and shall be exempt from any conflicting ordinance, except for parcels zoned R-A that are one acre or less. If a parcel is zoned R-A and is equal to or less than one acre, then the terms of this section shall control. A business that qualifies only as a Home Office, but not a Home Occupation, shall be exempt from the terms hereof if the property is in the R-A zoning District.
2. Exception to Business License Requirement Only. Secondary Offices. A Home Office in a residential district that is an ancillary office and that is not the primary location for the business of the Home Office; such ancillary location shall not be required to have a business license issued by Dawson County if: (1) the business activity is subject to a business license issued by Dawson County for another location, or (2) if a business license has been issued for another location by some other jurisdiction in the United States.

C. Permitted Home Occupations

1. Offices of professionals including, but not limited to, architects, brokers, counselors, clergy, draftspersons and cartographers, engineers, insurance agents, lawyers, real estate agents, accountants, editors, publishers, journalists, psychologists, contract management, graphic design, construction contractors, landscape design, surveyors, cleaning services, salespersons and manufacturer's representatives, and travel agents;
2. Personal services, including barber shops, beauty parlors, manicure and pedicure shops, pet grooming, catering, taxidermy services, and chauffeur services;
3. Instructional services, including music, dance, art and craft classes, tutoring, and outdoor instruction to include tennis lessons, and swimming lessons;
4. Babysitting services, day care homes;
5. Studios for artists, sculptors, musicians, photographers, and authors;
6. Workrooms for tailors, dressmakers, milliners, and craft persons, including weaving, lapidary, jewelry making, cabinetry and wood working;
7. Repair services, including watch and clock, small appliances, computers, and electronic devices; and
8. Upholstery and detailing services if and only if an accessory building may be used for the Home Occupation.

This list may not be all-inclusive. The Planning Director shall determine whether an unlisted business is substantially similar to a permitted use based upon the proposed business activity. A maximum of two Home Occupations may be granted to the same residence.

D. Prohibited Home Occupations

1. Kennels, stables, veterinarian clinics/hospitals
2. Outside obedience training of animals
3. Medical and dental clinics/hospitals
4. Restaurants, clubs, drinking establishments
5. Motor vehicles sales, medium and large engine repair
6. Repair and service of small internal combustion motors for powered lawn equipment, motor cycles, scooters, all-terrain vehicles, boat motors or construction tools and equipment powered by internal combustion motors.
7. Undertaking and funeral parlors and crematoriums
 - i. Human or animal cremation facilities
8. Retail sales of goods not made on the premises and sold to the general public from the premises
9. Rooming and Boarding houses with the exception of Bed and Breakfast facilities that have been approved in accordance with the Land Use Resolution.
10. Adult business uses (See Dawson County Adult Business Establishment Ordinance)
11. Private Clubs
12. Warehousing and/or storing of material not directly used in a licensee's home occupation.
13. Other similar uses as determined by the Planning Director based upon the proposed use being substantially similar to a prohibited Home Occupation.

E. Operational Standards

1. Operating Hours - Customer/client visits to the home occupation are limited to the hours from 8 A.M. to 8 P.M. The home occupation shall not generate more than 10 customer/client visits in any one day nor more than five customers/clients at any one time nor more than two (2) customer vehicles at any one time.
2. Employees - The home occupation shall have no more than one non-resident employee on the premises at any one time. The number of nonresident employees working at locations other than the premises of the home occupation is not limited.
3. Vehicles - Delivery vehicles used to deliver goods to the home occupation business are limited to passenger vehicles, mail carriers, and express carriers such as UPS and FedEx. Deliveries shall be permitted only between 8:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M. The home occupation shall be limited to the parking/storage of one

commercial vehicle on the premises, not exceeding a one-ton capacity. Any commercial vehicle shall be stored such that the vehicle is not visible from a public street. Parking for all customers/clients/employees shall be restricted to the premises and shall not be permitted on public rights-of-way. The home occupation shall allow for on-site customer/client/employee parking.

4. Nuisances - The equipment used by the home occupation and the operation of the home occupation shall not create any vibration, heat, glare, dust, odors, or smoke discernible at the property lines at any time and shall not generate any discernible noise at the property lines from 8:00 P.M. to 8:00 A.M. and shall not create any electrical, magnetic or other interference off the premises, consume utility quantities that negatively impact the delivery of those utilities to surrounding properties, or use and/or store hazardous materials in excess of quantities permitted within residential structures.
5. Appearance - There shall be no exterior indication of the home occupation or variation from the residential character of the principal use. Special accessibility such as access ramps may be constructed in order to conform to building codes. No outside displays of sales items, products, or services may be used. All material stored on premises for the use of the home occupation shall be out-of-sight of the public and inside a building. All accessory structures shall meet the requirements set forth for the Residential District. No vehicles or other receptacles used for the collection, carrying, storage or transport of commercial garbage, waste, trash or recycled material shall be parked or stored on the property.
6. Ownership - The business owner of the dwelling associated with the Home Occupation request shall occupy the dwelling as a principal residence and shall own the premises, unless the residence is in the RMF District.
 - i. An applicant residing in Residential Multi-Family District (RMF) Article III section ~~306-308~~ of the Land Use Resolution shall have owners' written permission to obtain a home-based business license.

F. Accessory Buildings for Home Occupation Use

1. The use of an accessory building for a home occupation shall only be permitted in R-A, Article III section ~~309-312~~ of the Land Use Resolution
2. Limit - Only one accessory building per parcel shall be allowed for home occupation use.
3. Lot Size - The use of an accessory building for a Home-based business shall be prohibited on parcels less than five (5) acres in all residential districts.
4. Home Occupations may operate in an accessory building used for other purposes but the maximum square footage used may not exceed those limits set forth in sub-section F6.
5. The setbacks for all accessory buildings for use in connection with a Home Occupation shall meet the setback requirements for a house/residence.
6. Accessory Building size. The use of an accessory building, where permitted, for a

Home-based Business shall be limited to .6% of the parcel or 2,500 square feet, whichever is less, and shall not exceed 30 feet in height from grade.

G. Size of Residence used as Home Occupation

1. No more than 25% of the interior heated space of a residence/home shall be used for a Home Occupation.

H. Signs

1. The maximum size of a permanent sign is three (3) square feet in total, which is 432 square inches.
2. Only one permanent sign is allowed.
3. The permanent sign shall be affixed no higher than six (6) feet from the first floor foot level to the home or to the Accessory building used for home occupation.
4. The permanent sign shall not be lighted.

I. Notification

1. Before commencement of a Home Occupation, the licensee shall notify, in writing, all adjacent property owners.
2. Notification shall include, at minimum, what type of Home Occupation the licensee is starting and when the Home Occupation shall begin.

J. Non-conforming Use. Home-based businesses that maintain a valid business license on the effective date of this ordinance shall be permitted to continue the operation as a non-conforming use if such business does not comply with the terms hereof until the form of the business changes or the ownership of the business or any portion of the property changes.

Section 612. Private Cemeteries, mausoleums, and burial sites

A. New cemeteries. Cemeteries for human interment are required to meet the following minimum requirements:

- a. Minimum lot size of five acres, except for church cemeteries. Private family plots shall have at least one fourth (1/4) acres devoted to such use and platted accordingly.
- b. All graves or burial lots shall be set back not less than 50 feet from any property line or street right-of-way lines.
- c. An access easement shall be shown on the property plat. If the land is sold, subdivided or in any other way is received into ownership or control by a nonfamily member, then the owner shall allow the right of access for visitation over, across, and through the access easement shown on the plat.

B. Unless already platted and recorded in the Clerk of Court's office, new burial plots or cemeteries shall not be utilized unless a permit has been issued by the Planning and Development Director. Upon burial, the plot shall be surveyed, platted and recorded within 90 days of permit issuance.

**ARTICLE VII
LAND USE RESOLUTION DISTRICT MAP**

Section 700. Purpose.

The purpose of this Article is to establish the Land Use Resolution District Map; provide for identification, alteration, and replacement of the District Map; criteria to be considered in amending the District Map; district boundaries; relationship between District Map and Future Land Use Map.

Section 701. Land Use Resolution District Map.

The Land Use Resolution District Map is hereby designated to be Section 706 of this Resolution. Any reference to the "District Map" in this Resolution refers to the Official Land Use Resolution District Map.

Section 702. Identification, Alteration, and Replacement of the District Map.

- A. The District Map is signed by the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners ~~Commissioner~~ with witnessing signature of the County Clerk and bears the Board of Commissioners' seal under the following words: "This certifies that this is the Land Use Resolution of Dawson County, Georgia," together with the date of the adoption of this Resolution.
- B. ~~The District Map may be altered only if the proposed alterations are in conformance with the Future Land Use Map (Article VIII), and sound planning principles from time to time under the procedures in this Article. Any alteration to the District Map is an amendment to this Resolution. The procedure by which amendments are proposed and approved is contained in Article XII. Any amendment involving changes in land use district boundaries must be entered on the District Map as soon as the amendment has been approved by the Commissioner. The entry should be as follows: "On (date) by official action of the Commissioner, the following changes (or changes) were made on the Official Land Use Resolution District Map: (Brief description of change.)" It shall be signed by the Commissioner with witnessing signature of the County Clerk. No amendment to portions of this Resolution that are illustrated on the District Map becomes effective until after the change has been entered as described above on the District Map. Any authorized alteration of the District Map by any person is a violation of this Resolution. The Official Land Use Resolution District Map is located in the Planning Department and is the final authority as to the current status of land use district boundaries.~~
The District Map may be altered only if the proposed alterations are in conformance with the Future Land Use District Map (Article VIII) or if the proposed alterations to the District Map are in conformance with actual development trends in the area that are not reflected in the Future District Map, and sound planning principles. Any alteration to the District Map is an amendment to this Resolution. The procedure by which amendments are proposed and approved is contained in Article XII. Any amendment involving changes in land use district boundaries must be entered on the District Map as soon as the amendment has been approved by the Commissioner. The entry should be as follows: "On (date) by official action of the Commissioner, the following changes (or changes) were made on the Official Land Use Resolution District Map: (Brief description of change.)" It shall be signed by the Commissioner with witnessing signature of the County Clerk. No amendment to portions of this Resolution that are illustrated on the District Map becomes effective until after the change has been entered as described above on the District Map. Any authorized alteration of the District Map by any person is a violation of this Resolution. The Official Land Use Resolution District Map is located in the Planning Department and is the final authority as to the current status of land use district boundaries
- C. If the District Map becomes damaged destroyed, lost, or difficult to interpret because of the nature or number of changes and additions, the Board of Commissioners may adopt a new

District Map, which will replace the previous District Map. The new District Map is identified as such in the same manner as described above. When the new District Map is adopted, a notation should be made on the previous District Map that it is no longer valid, indicating the date

Section 703. Criteria to be Considered in Amending the District Map.

The following ~~points~~ considerations should be addressed when considering proposed amendments to the District Map. In determining whether or not a proposed amendment satisfactorily addresses the points stated below, sound planning principles should be followed.

- A. Whether and the extent to which the P proposed amendment should be in conformance with the Dawson County Future District
- B. Whether Findings of facts must be presented and accepted in support support of such an the proposed amendment.
- C. Whether the proposed amendment meets demonstrated changes in community needs. ~~Proposed amendment should meet demonstrated changes in community needs.~~
- D. Whether and the extent to which the proposed amendment meets the criteria contained in Section 1004. ~~The factors indicating suitability of land to be placed within a certain land use district should be considered. These criteria are contained in Section 1004.~~

Section 704. District Boundaries.

Where uncertainty exists with respect to the exact location of the boundary of a land use district shown on the District Map, the following guidelines should be followed in establishing the exact location of the boundary:

- A. Where a land use district boundary is indicated as approximately following the center line of a street or road, or as approximately following the right-of-way line, that line should be considered to be the boundary.
- B. Where a land use district boundary is indicated as approximately following the corporate limit line of the city, the corporate limit line should be considered to be the boundary.
- C. Where a land use district boundary is indicated as approximately following a property line or such line extended, the line or lines extended should be considered to be the boundary.
- D. Where a land use district boundary is indicated approximately following the center of a stream bed, such should be considered to be the boundary.
- E. Where a land use district boundary is indicated as approximately parallel to the center line of a street, road, railroad, or the right-of-way of such a facility, such boundary shall be interpreted to be parallel to such line and at a distance from it as indicated by scale on the District Map.
- F. Where a land use district boundary line is indicated as dividing a lot in single ownership at the time of the enactment of the Resolution, the development standards for the land use district in which the greater portion of the lot lies must be extended to the balance of the lot up to a distance of thirty-five (35) feet beyond the actual boundary line of the land use district.

Section 705. Relationship between District Map and Future District Map.

- A. The Future District Map as adopted by the Board of Commissioners ~~and adopted by the~~

Commissioner. It should provide the best possible indication of desirable future district patterns that will meet projected future demand for land uses of various types.

- B. The land use districts contained on the District Map carry standards which must be met by all new developments and construction in the County. The arrangement of land use districts is based on existing land use patterns. Establishment and amendments of land use district boundaries must be based on defensible findings of fact as well as sound comprehensive planning principles.

Section 706. Land Use Resolution District Map.

The Dawson County Land Use Resolution District Map shall be cited as Section 706, and shall be a part of this Resolution. The map shall be located in the Planning Department and in the office of the Planning Department.

Section 707 Zoning Compliance

- A. Intent – The primary determination whether a proposed use is proper in a given use district is made by the Department of Planning and Zoning. Interpretations of the department concerning the meaning of the resolution may be important in a particular case. Persons should not expend money on project development until the department has determined in writing that the proposed use is proper.
- B. Certificate – A certificate of Zoning Compliance shall be issued on a form to be determined by the Department as evidence that a proposed use complies with the Resolution.
- C. Reliance – Until a Certificate of Zoning Compliance is obtained with regard to a particular project, a person expending money in any way on project planning or development does so at his own risk. No person shall be deemed to have expended funds in reliance on zoning provisions unless and until the Certificate of Zoning Compliance is obtained.

**ARTICLE VIII
FUTURE DISTRICT MAP**

Section 800. Purpose.

The purpose of this Article is to provide for a future district map; background concepts of the future district map; identification, alteration, and replacement of the future district map; and criteria to be considered in amending the future district map.

Section 801. Background Concepts of the Future District Map.

The Future District Map represents a synthesis of data concerning population, land use patterns, and economic activity, etc. The Planning Commission has studied these data and conceived a set of goals to provide suitable space for anticipated future development while the public health, safety, and welfare is protected. The map contains an arrangement of land uses, which permits minimum adverse impact on neighboring land uses and on safety conditions, while maximum efficiency in providing community and utility services is achieved. The Future District Map represents the Planning Commission's projection of how land use patterns in Dawson County should look in the medium-to-long-range future. The development standards and other requirements contained in this Resolution are intended to encourage the development of the land use patterns depicted on the Future District Map. Existing and future land uses are NOT regulated or controlled by the Future District Map as they are by the District Map.

Section 802. Identification, Alteration, and Replacement of the Future District Map.

- A. The Future District Map is signed by the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, with witnessing signature of the County Clerk and bears the seal of the County or that of a Notary Public under the following words: "This certifies that his is the Dawson County Future District Map referred to in Article 804 of the Land Use Resolution, Dawson County, Georgia," together with the date of the adoption of the Resolution.
- B. The Future District Map may be altered only if the proposed alterations are in conformance with sound comprehensive planning principles. Any alteration to the Future District Map is an amendment to this Resolution.
- C. The procedure by which amendments are proposed and approved is contained in Article XII. Any amendment to the Future District Map must be entered on that Map as soon as the amendment has been approved by the CommissionerBoard of Commissioners. The entry should be as follows:

"On (date), by official action of the Board of CommissionersCounty Commissioner, the following change (or changes) were made in the Dawson County Future District Map: (Brief description of change.)" It should be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners with the witnessing signature of the County Clerk. No amendments to the Future District Map become effective until after the change and only by the procedures contained in this Article. Any unauthorized alteration of the Future District Map is a violation of this Resolution.
- D. The Future District Map is located in the Commissioner's Department of Planning and Developmentoffice. If it becomes damaged, destroyed, lost, or difficult to interpret because of the nature or number of changes or additions, the Board of Commissioners may adopt a new Future District Map, which will replace the previous identified as such in the same manner as described above in this section. When the new Future District Map is adopted, a notation should be made on the previous Future District Map that it is no longer valid, indicating the date that the new Future District Map was adopted as a reference aid. The previous Future District Map should be preserved, if it has not been lost or destroyed, for possible future reference.

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Section 803. Criteria to be Considered in Amending the Future District Map.

The following points should be addressed when considering proposed amendments to the Future District Map. In determining whether or not a proposed amendment satisfactorily addresses the points stated below, sound planning principles should be used.

- A. Findings of fact must be presented and accepted in support of the proposed amendment.
- B. The proposed amendment should meet demonstrated changes in community needs.
- C. The proposed amendment should be consistent with indications of current available population, economic, and land use data upon which information depicted on the Future District Map is based.

Section 804. Future District Map.

The Future District Map shall be cited as Section 804, and shall be a part of this Resolution. The Map shall be located in the ~~Board of County Commissioner's~~Department of Planning and Development office.

ARTICLE IX VARIANCES

Section 900. Purpose.

The purpose of a variance is to provide relief when a strict application of the district requirements would impose unusual practical difficulties or unnecessary physical hardships on the applicant. Practical difficulties and unnecessary hardships may result from the size, shape, or dimensions of a site or the location of existing structures thereon; from geographic, topographic, or other conditions on the site or in the immediate vicinity. No variance shall be granted to allow the use of property for a purpose not authorized within the district in which the proposed use would be located. A variance should be granted only after evidence is presented and accepted that enforcement of all of the required standards on the property in question would render the property useless. This Article establishes conditions; criteria for granting variances; public hearings on proposed variances; variances to road requirements; variance procedures; compliance with conditions of approval; vested interest in approved variances; investigations and reports; revocation; limitations on re-applications; and use variance.

Section 901. Conditions.

- A. Reasonable conditions may be imposed in connection with a variance as deemed necessary to protect the best interests of the surrounding property or neighborhood, and otherwise secure the purpose and requirements of this Article. Guarantees and evidence may be required that such conditions will be and are being complied with.
- B. The Planning Commission is responsible for considering and making recommendations on applications for variances. Variances apply only to the land use standards and requirements specified for each district. They do not apply to other provisions of this Resolution.
- C. The variance must specify which development standards and requirements are to be varied from. It must specify alternative standards and requirements to be met, replacing those varied from.

Section 902. Criteria for Granting Variances.

Variances to standards and requirements of this Resolution, with respect to open area, setbacks, yard area, lot coverage, height of structures, vision clearance, and other quantitative requirements may be granted only if, on the basis of the application, investigation, and evidence submitted by the applicant, investigation, and evidence submitted by the applicant, all four expressly written findings below are made:

- A. That a strict or literal interpretation and enforcement of the specified standard or requirement would result in practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship; and
- B. That there are exceptional or extraordinary circumstances or conditions applicable to the property involved or to the intended use of the property which do not apply generally to other properties in the same district; and
- C. That the granting of the variance will not be detrimental to the public health, safety, or welfare or materially injurious to properties or improvements in the near vicinity; and
- D. That the granting of the variance would support general objectives contained within this Resolution.

Variations in accordance with this Article should not ordinarily be granted if the special circumstances on which the applicant relies are a result of the actions of the applicant or owner or previous owners.

Section 903. Public Hearing on Proposed Variations.

Public hearings on proposed variations shall be in accordance with procedures set forth in Article XII, Section 1202, of this Resolution.

Section 904. Variations to Road and Street Requirements.

- A. Variations to requirements of this Resolution with respect to road and street requirements may be authorized as applied for or as modified by the County Commission Board of Commissioners if, on the basis of the application, investigation, and the evidence submitted by the applicant, all three of the following expressly written findings are made:
1. That neither present nor anticipated future traffic volumes generated by the use of the site or use of sites in the vicinity require strict or literal interpretation and enforcement of the requirements of this Resolution; and
 2. That the granting of the variance will not result in the development or design of public streets in such a manner as to interfere with the free flow of traffic on the streets; and
 3. That the granting of the variance will not create a safety hazard or any other condition inconsistent with the general purpose of this Resolution.
- B. The County Board of Commissioners may establish performance bonds to assure compliance with any requirements it has set for granting a variance. Where a variance is granted for a construction activity requiring a building permit, the building permit must be obtained and construction have begun within six months of the issuance of the variance. Otherwise, the variance expires after six months.

Section 905. Variance Procedures.

- A. Before, the Planning Commission may act on a variance; it shall give notice of a public hearing in the manner prescribed in Article XII, Section 1202.
- B. The Planning Commission shall review the application and investigation report at the public hearing. The Planning Commission shall determine whether the evidence supports a finding that the required criteria have been met and recommend approval with condition, or denial of the application accordingly. Their recommendations shall be in writing and shall include written findings on each of the applicable criteria. If the Planning Commission fails to take action within thirty (30) days after the public hearing, the request shall be deemed to have been approved.
- C. Decision on variance requests shall be the responsibility of the Planning Commission and shall become final after an elapsed period of thirty (30) days from the date of decision.
- D. The Planning Commission's decision, with findings, shall be sent by mail to the applicant within five (5) working days of the date of action.
- E. From time to time the Planning Commission may find it necessary to require a variance request to also meet approval of the Dawson County Board of Commissioners. In doing so the variance request must follow the public hearing procedures prescribed in Article XII, Section 1202.

F. An application of a variance which is not acted upon by the [Board of Commissioners](#) within ninety (90) days from the receipt of application may be deemed denied.

G. Application for a variance shall be filed with the Planning Director on the form prescribed by the County, by any person with a legal interest in the property.

Section 906. Compliance with Conditions of Approval.

Compliance with conditions imposed in the variance, and adherence to the submitted plans, as approved, is required. Any departure from these conditions of approval and approved plans constitutes a violation of this Resolution.

Section 907. Vested Interest in Approved Variances.

A valid variance supersedes conflicting provisions of subsequent rezonings or amendments to this Resolution unless specifically provided otherwise by the provisions of this Article or the conditions of approval to the variance.

Section 908. Investigations and Reports.

The Planning Director shall make or cause to be made an investigation to provide necessary information to insure that the action on each application is consistent with the variance criteria and shall make a recommendation to the Planning Commission. Any report of such investigation shall be included in the application file.

Section 909. Revocation.

Variances shall be automatically revoked if not exercised within one year of the date of approval.

Section 910. Limitations on Re-applications.

Applications for which a substantially similar application has been denied shall be heard by the Planning Commission only after a period of twelve (12) months has elapsed.

Section 911. Use Variance

No variance may be granted for a use of land or building or structure that is prohibited by this Resolution.

Section 912. Withdrawal of Application.

Withdrawals of any application may be accommodated within the Planning Department if requested before the Planning Commission agenda is set. Therefore, withdrawals may not be made after ten (10) days prior to the scheduled Planning Commission meeting hearing, unless accompanied by written request stating specific reasons for withdrawal. This withdrawal request is to be published in the legal organ prior to the meeting. Following that written request and publication the [Planning](#) Commission will vote to remove the item from the agenda at the scheduled hearing. Please note that should the withdrawal be denied, the item will receive deliberation and public hearing with a decision by the [Planning](#) Commission. Further the applicant is encouraged to be present at the hearing to substantiate reasons for withdrawal. Please note that no refund of application fee may be made unless directed by the Board of Commissioners.

Section 913. Administrative Variances.

The Director of Planning and Development shall have the power to grant variances (except for density and use) from the development standards of the Land Use Resolution of Dawson County, Georgia if the intent of the ordinance can be achieved and equal performance obtained by granting a variance.

- A. **Authority.** The authority to grant variances in accord with this Section shall be limited to variances from the following requirements:
1. Front Yard or a Yard Adjacent to a Public Street - variances shall not exceed ten feet (10');
 2. Side Yard - variances shall not exceed five feet (5');
 3. Rear Yard - variances shall not exceed ten feet (10');
 4. Building Height - a variance may be granted up to, but not exceeding, ten feet (10') if such variance does not allow space habitable by humans and is also approved by the fire marshal and would not result in an increase in the number of stories that would otherwise be allowed by the zoning district;
 5. Buffers - the dimensions of a landscaping buffer required by the Land Use Resolution of Dawson County or the Dawson County Tree, Landscape, and Buffer Ordinance may be varied by no more than twenty-five percent (25%) if the adopted comprehensive plan recommends a similar or more compatible use of the neighboring property or in other situations if the intent of the required buffer can be equally achieved; however, no buffer required as a condition of zoning shall be modified;
 6. Parking - if the required parking standards cannot reasonably be met and if a variance will not adversely affect the spirit or intent of the ordinance or the Land Use Resolution of Dawson County, then a variance of not more than ten percent (10%) may be granted;
 7. Home Occupations - if the intended use is clearly allowed pursuant to the definition of "Home Occupation", then an administrative variance may be granted to conduct such business.
- B. **Notification.** The applicant may choose to either submit an affidavit attesting to notice that includes signatures of all adjoining property owners listed within the application package or the applicant may choose to permit written notice from the County Planning Department to adjoining property owners of the variance application and then wait at least ten (10) business days from notice to all adjoining property owners before the variance may be considered for approval. Also, notice of the variance application shall be posted upon the property ten (10) days before the variance is considered and shall state the variance requested and the date the variance shall be considered.
- C. **Basis for Approval.** The following criteria shall be considered by the Director before allowing an administrative variance. No variance may be granted administratively for an application for a variance that has been heard by the Planning Commission within one (1) year or if the application is for the expansion of a non-conforming use or structure.
1. The variance neither interferes with the rights of others as provided in this chapter nor is injurious to the public health, safety, general welfare;

2. A strict interpretation and enforcement of the standards or requirement would result in practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship;
 3. No exceptional or extraordinary circumstances applicable to the subject property exist that do not generally apply to other properties in the same district;
 4. The variance provides for reasonable use under the specified circumstances of each application;
 5. The variance achieves the general intent of the Land Use Resolution of Dawson County;
 6. The variance is the minimum possible variance under the specific circumstances; and
 7. The variance does not exceed the scope of the authority set forth in sub-section (A) hereof.
- D. **Conditions of Approval.** The Director of Planning and Development may impose reasonable conditions upon any administrative variance to ensure that the public health, safety, and general welfare are protected. A violation of any imposed condition shall be a violation of this section.
- E. **Administration.** After all requirements for a variance application in accord with the terms hereof are received, the Planning and Development department shall review and certify that all required information is complete and that the request is within the limits of consideration set forth in sub-section (A) hereof. The applicant shall then be advised to proceed with public notice in accord with sub-section (B) hereof. After required notice has been provided and the time period for response has passed, the Planning Director shall have ten (10) business days to render a decision. Notice of the decision shall be provided to the applicant by mailing such decision within five (5) business days of the decision. Notice of the action taken by the Planning Director shall be provided to the Planning Commission of Dawson County and shall be placed as an item of old business for no further action upon the agenda of the Planning Commission within thirty-one (31) days.
- F. **Compliance with Other County Codes.** The effect of an administrative variance approval shall be that a specific request is determined to be appropriate for a specific location. The administrative variance application shall not approve a site plan nor waive or modify any other requirements of any other county code other than as specifically granted pursuant to the variance.
- G. **Appeal.** The applicant or an adjoining property owner may appeal to the County [Board of Commissioners](#) the decision of the Planning Director regarding an administrative variance within ten (10) days of the decision via written objection and appeal. Any such appeal shall be heard by the Dawson County Board of Commissioners in accord with the standard appeal procedure.

ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS

Section 1000. Purpose.

The purpose of this Article is to set forth required procedures for amendments to this Resolution, including authorization to initiate amendments; public hearings on proposed amendments; application for amendments; guidelines to be considered in granting amendments; records of amendments; and limitations on re-applications.

Section 1001. Authorization to Initiate Amendments.

- A. An amendment to the text of this Resolution or to the District Map may be initiated by the County Board of Commissioners, the Planning Commission, or by application of a property owner. The request by a property owner for an amendment shall be accomplished by filing an application with the County using forms prescribed by the County. If a developer or landowner finds that a proposed new use of his land does not meet the requirements of this Resolution, he may request that this Resolution be amended to permit his proposed use. However, the power to approve and enact an amendment rests with the County Commissioners.
- B. All applications for amendments shall first be reviewed by the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission shall conduct a public hearing in accord with the terms hereof. After the public hearing, the Planning Commission shall submit a recommendation in writing to the Board of Commissioners of Dawson County within forty-five (45) days stating the reason for such recommendation.

Section 1002. Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments.

Public hearings on proposed amendments shall be conducted in accordance with procedures set forth in Article XI, Section 1102, of this Resolution.

Section 1003. Application for Amendments.

- A. All applications for amendments must be in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Article, and it shall be the responsibility of the applicant to see that these procedures and required information are completed.
- B. Speculative Land Use.
1. Reclassification of property for speculative purposes is discouraged.
 2. Letters of Intent, specific Plans and Site Organization Plans, construction and development schedules shall be required as part of the application for District Classification Amendments.
 3. Implementation of the requirements of the plans required in paragraph B above must started within one year after approval and completed within one year after the starting date unless reasonable progress is maintained according to approved schedules. In the event this requirement is not fulfilled, the applicant or successor shall be given 60-day's notice and 30 days public notice advertised.
 4. Uses different from those stated in the application or letter of intent may be considered a violation of this resolution resulting in revocation of the land use classification or other remedies under this Resolution.

Section 1004. Guidelines to be Considered in Granting Amendment.

Whenever consideration is being given to an amendment to this Resolution, the Planning Commission shall make its recommendations based on the following criteria:

- A. The existing uses and classification of nearby property;
- B. The extent to which property values are diminished by the particular land use classification;
- C. The extent to which the destruction of property values of the applicant promotes the health, safety, morals, or general welfare of the public;
- D. The relative gain to the public, as compared to the hardship imposed upon the individual property owner;
- E. The suitability of the subject property for the proposed land use classification;
- F. The length of time the property has been vacant under the present classification, considered in the context of land development in the area in the vicinity of the property; and
- G. The specific, unusual, or unique facts of each case, which give rise to special hardships, incurred by the applicant and/or surrounding property owners.

Section 1005. Records of Amendments.

The Planning Director shall maintain records of amendments to the text and District Map of this Resolution.

Section 1006. Limitations of Re-applications.

No application of a property owner for an amendment to the text of this Resolution or to the District Map shall be considered by the Board of Commissioners within a twelve (12) month period immediately following a previous denial of such request, except the Board of Commissioners may permit a new application, if in the opinion of the Board of Commissioners new evidence of a change of circumstances warrants

Section 1007. Withdrawal of Application.

Withdrawals of any application may be accommodated within the Planning Department if requested before the Planning Commission or Board of Commissioners agenda is set. Therefore, withdrawals may not be made after ten (10) days prior to the scheduled Planning Commission meeting hearing, or ten (10) days prior to the scheduled Board of Commissioners meeting hearing, unless accompanied by written request stating specific reasons for withdrawal. This withdrawal request is to be published in the legal organ prior to the scheduled meeting(s). Following that written request and publication the Board of Commissioners will vote to remove the item from the agenda at the scheduled hearing. Please note that should the withdrawal be denied, the item will receive deliberation and public hearing with a recommendation by the Planning Commission and/or decision by the Board of Commissioners. Further, the applicant is encouraged to be present at the hearing to substantiate reasons for withdrawal. Please note that no refund of application fee may be made unless directed by the Board of Commissioners.

Section 1008. Application Fees

~~A. APPLICATION FEES-~~ See Dawson County Fee Ordinance.

1. Amendment to the Land Use Resolution Comptroller's Office by the Planning Commission

**ARTICLE XI
POWERS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS**

Section 1100. Purpose.

This Article formalizes the duties of the Planning Director, the Planning Commission and the County [Board of Commissioners](#), in relation to the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 1101. Powers of the Planning Director.

The Planning Director has the authority and responsibility to provide the following services:

- A. Provide information concerning the requirements of this Resolution and require compliance with these requirements.
- B. Issue permits under the conditions and procedures required by this Resolution.
- C. Dispense and receive applications as required by this Resolution.
- D. Determine the applicable District, uses, and standards for a particular parcel of land.
- E. Provide assistance and guidance to applicants concerning compliance with this Resolution.
- F. Collect, receive, disburse, and account for fees and monies as required under the provisions of this Resolution.
- G. Serve as the Secretary of the Planning Commission when appointed.
- H. Act as liaison for the Planning Commission with other Officials.
- I. Maintain official records and perform administrative duties required in the execution of the provisions of this Resolution.
- J. The Planning Director is charged with interpretation of the zoning resolution and subdivision ordinance.

Section 1102. Powers of the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission has the authority and the responsibility to provide the following services:

- A. Review, investigate, and recommend action to the County [Board of Commissioners](#) concerning applicants under the provisions of this Resolution.
- B. Review, investigate, and render decisions concerning variances; and, as well as, from time to time, recommend action to the County [Board of Commissioners](#) concerning variances and amendments to this Resolution.
- C. Advise and inform the County [Board of Commissioners](#) on development within Dawson County.
- D. Conduct Public Hearings as required under the provisions of this Resolution.
- E. Propose amendments to this Resolution.

- F. Prepare and maintain a Land Use District Map and a Future Land Use District Map, under the provisions of this Resolution.
- G. Provide general information concerning the application and administration of this Resolution.
- H. Provide review and recommendations concerning appeals of actions of its decisions to the County [Board of Commissioners](#).

Section 1103. Powers of the County Board of Commissioners.

The County [Board of Commissioners](#) has the authority and responsibility to provide the following services:

- A. Render official decisions concerning the recommendations of the Planning Commission, in relation to actions within the scope of this Resolution.
- B. Hear and decide appeals of actions of the Planning Director or the Planning Commission.
- C. Establish fees upon recommendation of the Planning Commission for actions, permits, or services under this Resolution.
- D. Conduct Public Hearings related to the administration of this Resolution.
- E. Provide for enforcement of the provisions of this Resolution.

ARTICLE XII ADMINISTRATIVE AND ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES

Section 1200. Purpose.

The purpose of this Article is to provide for administration and enforcement procedures of this Resolution, including administration; public hearings, forms of petitions, applications and appeals; interpretation; severability; effective date; and remedies and penalties for violation.

Section 1201. Administration.

The Planning Commission or its delegate, the Planning Director, shall have the power and duty enforce the provisions of this Resolution. All departments, officials, and public employees of Dawson County, vested with the duty and authority to issue permits, shall conform to the provisions of this resolution and shall issue no permit, certification, or license for any use, building, or purpose which violates or fails to comply with conditions or standards imposed by this Resolution. Any permit, certificate, or license issued in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution, intentionally or otherwise, shall be void. No application which is incomplete shall be processed or received by the Planning Commission or its delegate, the Planning Director.

Section 1202. Notices and Hearings.

- A. Amendments to this Resolution may be proposed by the County [Board of Commissioners](#), the Planning Commission or any individual, firm or organization or any agent or attorney acting on behalf of any individual or legal entity. All proposed amendments, whether an amendment to text or a modification of districts or permissive uses, as well as applications for variances, shall be submitted to the Planning Director in accordance with the submittal deadline established by the Planning Department. All applications to change or amend the district map or to establish a new district shall be accompanied by a plat or map drawn to scale designating the area to be changed and shall contain a statement concerning the proposed use of the property. The Planning Commission shall conduct a public hearing regarding the request. After hearing testimony from all interested parties, the Planning Commission shall have forty- five (45) days within which to submit a recommendation and a statement of findings unless such period of time is extended upon the request of the applicant and the approval of the Planning Commission. If the Planning Commission fails to submit a recommendation and a statement of findings within the specified time period, then the Planning Commission shall be deemed to have approved the proposed amendment or request."
- B. Any decision of the Planning Commission that is not automatically placed upon the agenda of the County [Board of Commissioners](#) pursuant to the terms of this resolution may be appealed directly to the County [Board of Commissioners](#) within ten 10 days of such decision by filing a written notice of appeal with the Planning Director; otherwise, such decisions shall be final."
- C. The applicant shall notify the Planning Commission of its desire to appeal the decision of the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission shall notify the County [Board of Commissioners](#) of the applicant's desire to appeal and shall arrange with the County [Board of Commissioners](#) a suitable hearing date.
- D. The Board of Commissioners shall consider recommendations and findings of the Planning Commission at a Public Hearing on the date advertised at which time all interested parties shall have an opportunity to be heard regarding the request. The proponent shall have a minimum time period of ten (10) minutes to present data, evidence, and opinions, and an equal minimum time period of ten (10) minutes shall be permitted for presentation by opponents of each request. No amendment, supplement, change, or appeal by the

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County [Board of Commissioners](#) shall be effective unless such decision is approved after a public hearing.

- E. At least 15 but not more than 45 days before the date of the hearing by the Planning Commission and the County [Board of Commissioners](#), the County shall publish a notice of the hearing within a newspaper of general circulation within Dawson County. The notice shall state the time, place, and purpose of the hearing.
- F. If the action for which the hearing is conducted is for amending the Land Use District Map by reclassification of property and is initiated by a party other than local government, the notice in addition to the requirements of Paragraph D, above, shall include the location of the property and the proposed change of classification, and a sign containing information specified herein and any other information specified by the Planning Commission shall be placed on the property not less than 15 days before the date of the hearing.
- G. Before each hearing, a notification shall be sent to each adjoining property owner within Dawson County by regular mail sent to the address provided by the applicant or the address as shown on the current tax records. The notice shall be mailed within a reasonable time before the meeting.

Section 1203. Form of Petitions, Applications, and Appeals.

All petitions, applications, and appeals provided for in this Resolution shall be made on forms prescribed by the Planning Commission and issued by the Planning Director. The standard application form shall be used for all district and Resolution changes, variances, conditional uses, appeals, and other Planning actions.

Section 1204. Interpretations.

If the provisions of this Resolution conflict with or are less restrictive than comparable conditions imposed by any other provision of Georgia statutes or any other Dawson County Resolution or Ordinance, then the most restrictive provision shall apply.

Section 1205. Severability.

If any section, subsection, sentence, phrase, or any portion of this Resolution be declared invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, or if the provisions of any part of this Resolution as applied to any particular situation or set of circumstances shall be declared invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity shall not be construed to affect the portions of this Resolution not so held to be invalid, or the application of this Resolution to other circumstances not so held to be invalid. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the [County Commissioner Board of Commissioners](#) to provide for separable and divisible parts, and he does hereby adopt any and all parts hereof as may not be held invalid for any reason.

Section 1206. Remedies and Penalties for Violation.

- A. In the event that any person, firm, or corporation violates any provision of this Resolution, the County may, in addition to other remedies, institute injunction, mandamus, or other appropriate action or proceeding to prevent such unlawful act or to correct or abate such violation.
- B. In addition to any other enforcement provision provided herein, any person who shall violate the terms of the zoning resolution of Dawson County, Georgia may be punished by a maximum fine of \$1000 or a maximum of sixty (60) days imprisonment or both. The Magistrate Court of Dawson County shall have jurisdiction and power over the trial of charges of violations of these ordinances.

1. The Magistrate Court shall not conduct jury trials. However, any defendant who is charged with violating these ordinances may, any time before trial, demand that the case be removed for a jury trial to the Superior Court of Dawson County. Such demand shall be written. Upon such demand, the Magistrate Court shall grant the demand. The failure by an accused to so demand removal of the case shall constitute a waiver of any right to trial by jury that the accused may otherwise have.
2. The prosecution for violations of county ordinances shall be upon citation as provided in sub-section (c) hereof or upon accusation by the County Attorney or such other attorney as the Dawson County Board of Commissioners may designate. Such attorney shall be the prosecuting attorney in cases tried upon accusation.
3. Accusations of violations of these ordinances and citations shall be personally served upon the person accused. Each accusation shall state the time and place at which the accused is to appear for trial. The accused shall not be arrested prior to the time of trial; however, any defendant or accused who fails to appear for trial shall thereafter be arrested on the warrant of the Magistrate and shall be required to post a bond for his/her future appearance.
4. The Dawson County Board of Commissioners may provide that ordinance violations may be tried upon citations with or without a prosecuting attorney, as well as upon accusations.
5. Each citation shall state the time and place at which the accused is to appear for trial, shall identify the offense with which the accused is charged, shall have an identifying number by which the citation shall be filed with the court, shall indicate the identity of the accused and the date of service, and shall be signed by the county agent who completes and serves the citation.
6. Prosecutions for violations of these ordinances and regulations upon citations shall be commenced by the completion, signing and service of a citation by any agent of the county who is authorized by the Dawson County Board of Commissioners to issue citations or by an agent of the State who is authorized to issue citations. The original of the citation shall be personally served upon the accused, and a copy shall be promptly filed with the court.
7. The Chief Magistrate of Dawson County may by written order establish a schedule of cash bonds for the personal appearance in court of any person charged with a violation of these ordinances. The Chief Magistrate shall designate the officer or officers authorized to accept cash bonds pursuant to the schedule of cash bonds by the court. However, an officer or agent who is authorized to issue citations shall not be authorized to accept a cash bond at the time of or in conjunction with, the issuance of the citation. The officer accepting a cash bond shall issue a receipt for the bond to the person charged with the violation. Any person who is accused by citation, but has not been arrested may, but shall not be required to, give a cash bond for his/her personal appearance in court for trial. If a person who has given a cash bond fails to appear for trial, then the failure to appear shall be deemed to constitute a guilty plea, and such cash bond shall be forfeited upon the call of the case for trial. Dawson County need not take any further action to forfeit the cash bond. The forfeiture of a cash bond shall be deemed to constitute imposition and payment of a fine and shall be a bar to subsequent prosecution of the accused for the violation. However, the court may in any case enter an order pursuant to which bond forfeitures shall not be deemed to constitute

imposition of sentence and subsequent prosecution shall not be a bar. In any such case, the amount of the bond forfeited shall be credited against any fines imposed. The clerk of Magistrate Court shall furnish the officer or officers authorized under the order with a book of blank receipts consecutively numbered I triplicate and readily distinguishable and identifiable. The receipts shall be completed by the officer when accepting a cash bond to show the name of the person cited or arrested, the date of arrest or citation, the nature of the offense, the amount of the cash bond, and the name of the receiving officer. The receiving officer shall deliver a receipt to the person arrested or cited at the time the cash bond is given and shall file the original together with the cash bond with the clerk of the Magistrate Court not later than the next succeeding business day following the date of issuance of the receipt.

8. Execution may issue immediately upon any fine imposed by the court and not immediately paid. The sheriff of Dawson County shall receive and house all persons sentenced to confinement for contempt or sentenced to confinement for violation of these ordinances.
 9. The review of convictions shall be by certiorari to the Superior Court of Dawson County.
 10. The county attorney or another attorney designated by the Dawson County Board of Commissioners may act as prosecution attorney for violations of county ordinances.
- C. Should any work be performed for which a building, grading or development permit is required prior to the issuance of a permit by the Dawson County the fees for such permit shall be doubled or the charge for such permit shall be a minimum of one hundred dollars (\$100) whichever is greater.

Section 1207. Effective Date.

This Resolution shall take effect on October 17, 2013.

ARTICLE XIII DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED

Section 1300. Purpose.

The purpose of this Article is to establish definitions of some terms used in the Resolution.

Section 1301. Definitions.

When used in this Resolution, the following words and phrases have the meaning as defined in this Article. Terms not defined here have the same meaning as is found in most dictionaries, where consistent with the content. The terms "must" and "shall" are mandatory in nature, indicating that action shall be done. The term "may" is permissive and allows discretion regarding an action. When consistent with the context, words used in the singular number include the plural, and those used in the plural number include the singular. Words used in the present tense include the singular. Words used in the present tense include the future. The word "developer" includes a firm, corporation, co-partnership, association, institution, or person. The word "lot" includes the word "plot" or "parcel." The word "building" includes the word "structure." The words "used" or "occupied" as applied to any land or building include the words "intended, arranged, or designed to be used or occupied."

Access - The place means, or way by which pedestrians or vehicles shall have safe, adequate, or usable ingress and egress to a property, use, or parking space.

Accessory Structure or Accessory Use - A structure or use incidental and subordinate to the main use of property and located on the same lot as the main use.

Administrator/Director Planning - The Planning Administrator or Director shall be recommended by the Planning Commission and appointed by the ~~Commissioner~~Board of Commissioners and shall be responsible for the enforcement of the provisions of this Resolution.

Agriculture - The tilling of the soil, the raising of crops, dairying, animal husbandry, forestry, and horticulture.

Agriculturally related uses - Means those activities that predominantly use agricultural products, buildings or equipment, such as pony rides, corn mazes, pumpkin rolling, barn dances, sleigh/hay rides, and educational events, such as farming and food preserving classes, etc.

Agricultural products- includes but is not limited to, crops; fruit, cider and vegetables, floriculture, herbs, forestry, husbandry, livestock and livestock products; aquaculture products, horticultural specialties, etc.

Agriculturally related products- means items sold at a farm market to attract customers and promote the sale of agricultural products. Such items include, but are not limited to, all agricultural and horticultural products, animal feed, baked goods, ice cream and ice cream based desserts and beverages, jams, honey, gift items, food stuffs, clothing and other items promoting the farm and agriculture in Georgia, and value-added agricultural products and on-site production .

Agricultural Tourism and/or agri-tourism – Shall mean the practice of visiting and agribusiness, horticultural or agricultural operation, including, but not limited to, a farm, orchard, winery, greenhouse, hunting preserve, a companion animal or livestock show, for the purpose of recreations, education, or active involvement in the operation, other than as a contractor or employee of the operation.

Alley - A minor public right-of-way, which is used primarily for vehicular service access to the back or side of properties otherwise abutting on a street.

Alter - A change, addition, or modification in construction or occupancy of a building or structure.

Amendment - A change in the wording, context, or substance of the Land Use Resolution, or a change in the district boundaries of district map.

Apartment – Shall mean a one, two or three story multifamily structure, including individual units that are located back to back, adjacent and/or one over the other. Access is usually from a common hall, although individual entrances can be provided.

Automobile Service Station - A retail place of business engaged primarily in the sale of motor fuels, but also supplying goods and services required in the operation and maintenance of automotive vehicles.

Basement - That portion of a building between floor and ceiling which is partly below and partly above grade but is so located that the vertical distance from grade to the floor below is less than the vertical distance from grade to ceiling.

Bed & Breakfast – Shall mean a dwelling occupied by a family and used incidentally to provide overnight accommodation and meals to transient travelers, operated by an owner or designated operator-in-residence, with a maximum number of rented units being six.

Board of Commissioners, or Board – The Board of Commissioners of Dawson County.

Buffer - A horizontal distance designed to provide attractive space or distance, obstruct undesirable views, serve as an acoustic barrier, or generally reduce the impact of adjacent development.

Building - A structure built and maintained for the support, shelter, or enclosure of persons, motor vehicles, animals, or personal or real property of any kind. The word "building" shall include the word "structure."

Building Height - The vertical distance from the average grade to the highest point of the coping of a flat roof or to the deck line of a mansard roof or the average point of a pitch or hip roof.

Building Line - A line that coincides with the front side of the main building.

Caretaker/employee residence- An accessory dwelling designed and intended for the housing of person's employed principally on-site for the purposes of care, protection, and security of said property. Caretaker/employee residence shall be subordinate to the principal residence.

Cellar - That portion of a building between floor and ceiling which is wholly or partly below grade and so located that the vertical distance from grade to the floor below is equal to or greater than the vertical distance from grade to ceiling.

County - Dawson County, Georgia

Churches- See definition -"Places of worship".

Cluster Development - A subdivision, planned development, or grouping of lots or dwellings arranged in such a way that open space is maintained throughout the area, that sensitive lands such as wetlands and steep slopes remain undeveloped, and that lot layout requires a reduced amount of street and utility placement.

Common Open Space - Publicly or privately owned undeveloped open space intended for aesthetic, recreation, public safety, or other conservation purposes, to be used by the owners or residents of a particular development or the public in general.

~~County Commission - The County Commission of Dawson County, Georgia.~~

Conventional Construction - A building constructed on the building site from basic materials delivered to the site and from lumber cut on the job. A conventional building is subject to local codes and ordinances.

Court - An open unoccupied space other than a yard, on the same lot with a building and bounded on two or more sides by such building.

Day Care Center - An institution, establishment, or place in which are commonly received at one time four or more children not of common parentage, for a period not to exceed 12 hours, for the purpose of being given board, care, or training apart from their parents or guardians for compensation or reward.

Density Net - The amount of dwellings per net acre, based on the total area of the parcel, including vacated rights-of-way, and excluding separate or non-contiguous lands, previously designated common open space, and excluding rights-of-way or easements.

Development Standard - A specific requirement of this Resolution regulating land use, generally quantitative in nature.

Duplex - Shall mean a building containing two dwelling units, each of which has direct access to the outside and with each unit totally separated from the other by an unpierced common wall.

Dwelling, Apartment or Multiple-Family - A building designed and used for occupancy by three or more families, all living independently of each other, and having separate full kitchen facilities for each family.

Dwelling, Single Family" - A detached building, not attached by any means to any other dwelling designed or used exclusively for the occupancy of one family and having housekeeping facilities for only one family and surrounded by open space or yards

Dwelling Unit - One or more rooms designed for occupancy by one family and not having more than one cooking facility except facilities designed for camping purposes such as tents and recreation vehicles.

Factory-Built Housing - Georgia law has now changed "Factory-Built Housing" to "Industrial Building." See Industrialized Building.

Family - One person or two or more persons related by blood, marriage, legal adoption, or guardianship; or a group of not more than five persons (excluding servants) all or part of whom are not related by blood, marriage, legal adoption, or guardianship living together as a

single housekeeping unit in a dwelling unit.

Farm Market/On-farm market/Roadside stand- means the sale of agricultural products or value-added agricultural products, directly to the consumer from a site on a working farm or any agricultural, horticultural or agribusiness operation or agricultural land.

Fence, Sight Obscuring - A fence consisting of wood, metal, masonry, or similar materials, or an evergreen hedge or other evergreen planting arranged in such a way as to obscure vision at least 80 percent.

Fill - The placement by means of sand, sediment, or other material, usually in submerged lands, or wetlands, to create new uplands or raise the elevation of land.

Floor Area - The sum of the gross horizontal area of several floors of a building, measured from the exterior faces of the exterior walls, or from the centerline of walls separating two buildings, but not including:

1. Attic space providing headroom of less than seven (7) feet;
2. Basement or cellar, unless finished and heated for occupancy;
3. Uncovered steps or fire escapes;
4. Private garages, carports, or porches;
5. Accessory water towers or cooling towers; and
6. Accessory off-street parking or loading spaces.

Frontage - Property abutting on a street.

Goal - A general statement establishing a direction for policies, resolutions, or actions.

Grade; Ground Level - The average of the finished ground level at the center of all walls of a building. Where the walls are parallel to and within five feet of a public sidewalk, alley, or public way, the ground level shall be measured at the average elevation of the sidewalk, alley, or public way.

Guest quarters- An accessory attached or detached dwelling designed and intended for the temporary housing of visitors to a property at the request of the primary property residents for no fee or other consideration. Guest quarters shall be subordinate to the principal residence.

Hazards - Threats of life, property, or the environment such as land sliding, flooding, subsidence, erosion, or fire.

Home Occupation- Any business, occupation, or activity undertaken for gain or profit within a residential district, except agriculturally related uses, within a residential structure that is incidental and secondary to the use of that structure as a dwelling unit or within an accessory structure that is incidental and secondary to the use of that structure as attendant to a dwelling unit.

Home Office- Home office means an office use carried on by the occupant thereof that is incidental and secondary to the use of the structure as a dwelling unit that includes, but is not limited to, receiving or initiating correspondence, such as phone calls, mail, faxes or e-mail;

preparing or maintaining business records; word and data processing; and telephone, mail, order, direct sales (by invitation only), and off premise sales.

Horticulture - The cultivation of plants, garden crops, trees, or nursery stock.

Hospitals - Institutions devoted primarily to the rendering of healing, curing, and/or nursing care, which maintain and operate facilities for the diagnosis, treatment, and care of two (2) or more non-related individuals suffering from illness, injury, or deformity or where obstetrical or other healing, curing, and/or nursing care is rendered over a period exceeding twenty-four (24) hours.

Hotel (Motel, Motor Hotel, Tourist Court) - A building or group of buildings used for transient residential purposes containing guest rooms which are designed to be used, or which are used, rented, or hired out for sleeping purposes.

Industrialized Building - Any structure or component thereof or any modular home that is wholly or in substantial part made, fabricated, formed or assembled in manufacturing facilities for installation or assembly on a building site and that has been manufactured in such a manner that all parts or processes can be inspected at the installation site without disassembly, damage, or destruction and that does not have a permanent chassis.

Institution, Higher Educational - A college or university accredited by the State of Georgia.

Intensity - A measure of the magnitude and negative impact of a land use on the environment and neighboring land uses.

Junk or Wrecking Yard - Any property where a person is engaged in breaking up, dismantling, sorting, storing, distributing, buying, or selling any scrap or waste material.

Kennels - A lot or premises on which four (4) or more adult dogs are kept, whether by owners of the dogs or by persons providing facilities and care for compensation. An adult dog is one that has reached the age of six months.

Land Use - Any use of the land including, but not limited to, commercial, industrial, residential, agriculture, recreation, public utilities placement, forest management, or natural uses.

Land Use District - Land Use Districts are areas of land within the county which have different development standards and criteria. These differences are intended to promote the separation of incompatible uses and to retain the character of the community. See Articles III, IV.

Loading Space - An off-street space or berth on the same lot, or parcel, with a building or use, or contiguous to a group of buildings or uses, for the temporary parking of a vehicle while loading or unloading persons, merchandise, or materials, and which space or berth abuts upon a street, alley, or other appropriate means of ingress and egress.

Lot - For purposes of the Resolution, a lot is a parcel of land of at least sufficient size to meet minimum districts requirements for use, coverage, and area and to provide such yards and other open spaces as are herein required. Such lot shall have frontage on an improved public street, or on an approved private street or easement, and may consist of:

1. A single lot of record;
2. A portion of a lot of record;
3. A combination of complete lots of record, of complete lots of record and portions of lots of records, or of portions of lots of record;
4. A parcel of land described by metes and bounds; provided that in no case of division or combination shall any residual lot or parcel be created which does not meet the requirements of this Resolution.

Lot Area - The total area of a lot measured in a horizontal plane within the lot boundary lines exclusive of public streets.

Lot Coverage - The portion of a lot or parcel of land, which is covered with buildings, parking and maneuvering area, patios, decks, covered or paved storage area, or other impervious surface.

Lot Depth - The greater horizontal distance between front and rear lot lines.

Lot, Flag - See Dawson County Subdivision Regulations for example of a flag lot.

Lot Line, Front - For an interior lot, a line separating the lot from the street; and for a corner lot, a line separating either (but not both) frontage of the lot from the street.

Lot Panhandle - See Dawson County Subdivision Regulations for example of a panhandle lot.

Lot Line, Rear - For an interior lot, a line separating one lot from another on the opposite side of the lot from the front lot line; for corner lot either (but not both) interior lot line separating one lot from another; and for an irregular or triangular shaped lot, a straight line ten (10) feet in length that is parallel to and at the maximum distance from the front lot line.

Lot Line, Side - For an interior lot, a line separating one lot from the abutting lot or lots fronting on the same street; for corner lots, a line other than the front lot line separating the lot from the street or a line separating the lot from the abutting lot along the same frontage.

Lots of Record – Shall mean whenever a lot or plat has been legally and duly recorded with the County Clerk of Superior Court prior to the effective date of the Land Use Resolution and actually exists as so shown or described, it shall be deemed a lot of record. In addition, lots legally recorded that met zoning standards in place at the time of recordation, but do not meet standards currently in place are also considered lots of record. Although said lot may not contain sufficient land area or lot frontage to meet the minimum lot size requirements of the current zoning such lot may be used as a building site provided that all other requirement of the district are met and that building plans are consistent with all state and local health codes.

Lot Width - The greatest horizontal distance between side lot lines.

Manufactured Home - A structure, transportable in one or more sections, which, in the traveling mode, is eight body feet or more in width or 40 body feet or more in length or, when erected on site, is 320 or more square feet and which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities and includes the plumbing, heating, air-conditioning, and electrical systems contained therein; except that such term shall include any structure

~~which meets all the requirements of this paragraph except the size requirements and with respect to which the manufacturer voluntarily files a certification required by the secretary of housing and urban development and complies with the standards established under the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974, 42 U.S.C. Section 5401, et seq. Manufactured home means a structure transportable in one or more sections and which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with a permanent foundation and connected to all required utilities, and includes the plumbing, heating, air conditioning, and electrical systems contained therein, and is constructed in accordance with national codes.~~

Manufactured Home Lot - A parcel of land for the placement of a single manufactured home and the exclusive use of its occupants.

Manufactured Home Park - A privately owned place where two (2) or more manufactured homes used for human occupancy are parked on a lot, tract, or parcel of land under the same ownership. A manufactured home park may contain either or both single-section and multi-section manufactured homes.

Manufactured Home Site - See Manufactured Home Lot.

Manufactured Home Stand - That part of an individual lot, which has been reserved for the placement of the manufactured home, appurtenant structures, or addition.

Mobile Home. See the definition of Manufactured Home - The 1980 Housing and Community Development Act, effective October 1980, changed the term "Mobile Home" to "Manufactured Home."

Non-agriculturally related products- means those items not connected to farming or the farm operation, such as novelty t-shirts or other clothing, crafts and knick-knacks imported from other states or countries, etc.

Non-agriculturally related uses- means activities that are part of an agricultural tourism operation's total offerings but not tied to farming or the farm's buildings, equipment, fields, etc. Such non-agriculturally related uses include amusement rides, concerts, etc. and may be subject to special use permit.

Non-Conforming Structure or Use - A lawful existing structure or use, at the time this Resolution or any amendment thereto become effective, which does not conform to the requirements of this Resolution.

Open Area - The area devoted to lawns, setbacks, buffers, landscaped areas, natural areas, outdoor recreation areas, and similar types of uncovered open area and maintained in plant cover, and excluding storage areas for materials, boats, or vehicles.

Owner - Any individual, firm, association, syndicate, co-partnership, corporation, trust, or any other legal entity having sufficient proprietary interest in the land, including the attorney and agent thereof.

Parcel - A unit of land that is created by a partitioning of land.

Parking Area, Private - Privately or publicly owned property, other than streets or alleys, on which parking spaces are defined, designated, or otherwise identified for use by the tenants, employees, or owners of the property for which the parking area is required by this Resolution and not open for use by the general public.

Parking Area, Public - Privately or publicly owned property, other than streets or alleys, on which parking spaces are defined, designated, or otherwise identified for use by the general public, either free or for remuneration. Public parking areas may include parking lots, which may be required by this Ordinance for retail customers, patrons, and clients.

Parking Space - An area permanently available for the parking of a full size automobile, having dimensions of not less than 9 feet by 18 feet.

Permanent Chassis - The entire transportation system comprised of the following sub-systems: draw-bar and coupling mechanism, frame, running gear assembly, and lights.

Person - Any natural person, firm, partnership, association, social or fraternal organization, corporation, estate, trust, receiver, syndicate, branch of government, or any other group or combination acting as a unit.

Places of Worship- means any church, temple, synagogue, or other place of organized religious assembly which qualify for tax exemption under O.C.G.A. § 48-5-41 (a)(2.1)(A).

Planning Commission ~~or Commission~~- The Dawson County ~~Municipal~~-Planning Commission.

Plat - Includes a final map, diagram, drawing, re-plat or other writing containing all the descriptions, locations, specification, dedications, provisions, and information concerning a subdivision.

Policy - A definitive statement of requirement of the comprehensive plan or development Resolution, generally qualitative in nature.

Prefabricated Building - A broad term applied to any building completed in a factory setting.

Principal Residence – Shall mean any residence which occupies the major portion of a lot or constitutes, by reason of its use, the primary purpose for which the lot is used. Public Road - Roads in the state, county, or city road system.

1. Arterial - Arterials are usually state and federal highways such as SR 53 designed to move traffic over greater distances and provide access to counties and states.
2. Collector Roads - The main function of collector roads is to provide access to arterials.
3. Local Road and Street - Local roads or streets are designed to provide access to abutting property such as a local street in a municipal area. Local roads and are not intended for through traffic.

Quadplex - Shall mean a building containing four dwelling units, each of which has two open space exposures, direct separate access to the outside, and with each unit sharing one or two common walls with adjoining units.

School, Commercial - A place where instruction is given to pupils in arts, crafts, trades, or other occupational skills and operated as a commercial enterprise as distinguished from schools endowed or supported by taxation.

School, Primary, Elementary, Junior High, or High - Includes public, private, or parochial but not nursery school, kindergarten, or day nursery except when operated in conjunction with a school.

Screen - A fence, wall berm, hedge, tree row, or other dense structure intended to perform a buffering effect in a limited space, and may be required in addition to a buffer.

Seasonal- means a recurrent period characterized by certain occurrences, festivities, or crops; harvest, when crops are ready; not all year round.

Semi-Detached Residence – Shall mean a one-family dwelling attached to another one-family dwelling by a common vertical wall and footing, with each dwelling located on a separate lot, but does not include dwellings one over another. Semi-detached housing has a front, rear and one side open space.

Setback - The minimum allowable horizontal distance measured from the furthest projection of the structure to the adjacent property line.

Short-Term Home Rental – Shall mean a single family residential dwelling offered for rent for a period of less than thirty (30) days per renter. Typically an owner's vacation home or second home offered for vacation rentals to guests for a fee.

Shooting preserve- and game farming,- means the intensive, small pasture production of wild animals for the purpose of hunting, on agricultural land, for a fee, over an extended period of time, in conformance with state and federal game laws.

Site-Built - Constructed on site ("stick-built") but includes pre-constructed wall units, etc., including "Industrialized Building."

Sign - An identification, description, illustration, or device which is affixed to or represented, directly or indirectly, upon a building, structure, or land and which directs attention to a product, place, activity, person, institution, or business. Each display surface of a sign shall be considered to be a sign.

Sign, Advertising - A sign which directs attention to a business, product, activity, or service which is not necessarily conducted, sold, or offered upon the premises where such signs is located.

Story - That portion of a building included between a floor and the ceiling next above which is six (6) feet or more above the grade.

Street - An officially approved public thoroughfare or right-of-way dedicated, deeded, or condemned, which has been officially approved by the [Planning Commission](#) and accepted by the [Commissioner/Board of Commissioners](#) for use as such, other than an alley, which affords the principal means of access to abutting property, including avenue, place, way, drive, lane, boulevard, highway, road and any other thoroughfare, except as excluded in this Resolution. The word "street" shall include all arterial highways, freeways, traffic collector streets, local streets, and lanes.

Structure - Something constructed or built or having a fixed base on, or fixed connection to, the ground or another structure.

Subdivider - Any individual, firm, association, syndicate, co-partnership, corporation, trust, or any other legal entity commencing proceedings under this Resolution to effect a subdivision of land hereunder for himself or for another.

Subdivide Land - To divide an area or tract of land into five (5) or more lots within a calendar year when such area or tract of land exists as a unit or contiguous units of land under a single

ownership at the beginning of such year.

Subdivision Amenity Area- Shall mean the area situated within the boundaries of a residential development site intended for recreational purposes, and may include landscaped areas, patios, private lounges, pools, play areas and similar uses, but does not include any area occupied by a building's service areas, or access driveways.

Subdivision - Subdivision means all divisions of a tract or parcel of land into two (2) or more lots, building sites, or other divisions for the purpose, whether immediate or future, or sale, or building development. See also The Dawson County Subdivision Regulations.

Townhouse- Shall mean a one-family dwelling in fee simple ownership constructed in a row of at least three such units in which each unit has its own front and rear access to the outside, no unit is located over another unit, and each unit is separated from any other unit by one or more vertical common fire-resistant walls.

Travel Trailer - A vehicular, portable structure built on a chassis, designed to be used as a temporary dwelling for travel and recreational purposes.

Triplex - Shall mean a building containing three dwelling units, each of which has direct access to the outside and with each unit totally separated from the other by an unpierced common wall.

Use - The purpose for which land or a structure is designed, arranged, or intended, or for which it is occupied or maintained.

U-Pick- means a fruit or vegetable-growing farm that provides the opportunity for customers to pick their own fruits or vegetables directly from the plant.

Value-added agricultural product - means the enhancement or improvement of the overall value of an agricultural commodity or of an animal or plant product to a higher value. The enhancement or improvement includes, but is not limited to, marketing, agricultural processing, transforming, packaging, and educational presentation, activities and tours that relate to agriculture or agricultural products.

Vehicle - A device in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a public highway, except devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks.

Water-Related - Uses which are not directly dependent upon access to a water body, but which provide goods or services that are directly associated with water-dependent land or waterway use, and which, if not located adjacent to water, would result in a public loss of the quality of goods or services offered. Except as necessary for water-dependent or water-related uses or facilities, residences, parking lots, spoil and dump sites, roads and highway, restaurants, businesses, factories, and trailer parks are not generally considered dependent on or related to water location needs.

Winery- means the retail and/or manufacturing premises of a small winemaker or winemaker licensee as defined by the Dawson County Alcohol ordinance.

Yard - A required open space other than a court unoccupied and unobstructed by any structure or portion of a structure or portion of a structure from 30 inches above the general ground level of the graded lot upward, provided, however, that fences, walls, poles, posts, and other customary yard accessories, ornaments, and furniture may be permitted in any yard

subject to height limitations and requirements limiting obstruction of visibility.

Yard, Front - A yard extending between lot lines which intersect a street line, the depth of which is the minimum horizontal distance between the street line and a line parallel thereto on the lot.

ARTICLE AUTHENTICATION

**APPROVED and ADOPTED in open and advertised meeting of the Board of Commissioners
of Dawson County,
this 15th day of March, 2018.**

ATTEST:

**Billy Thurmond, Chairman of the Dawson County Board of Commissioners
Sharon Fauseff, Dawson County Commissioner, District 1
Chris Gaines, Dawson County Commissioner, District 2
Jimmy Hamby, Dawson County Commissioner, District 3
Julie Hughes Nix, Dawson County Commissioner, District 4
Kristen Cloud, Clerk to the Dawson County Board of Commissioners**

Dawson County Land Use Resolution Update

presented By Jameson Kinley & Paige Hatley

History

- ◇ Beginning in May 2019
- ◇ Objective
 - ◇ Clarifying procedures
 - ◇ Addition of two new residential zoning classifications
- ◇ RFP was awarded to Bill Ross & Associates
 - ◇ Initial meeting with Paige Hatley in August 2019

Table 3.1 Principal Uses Allowed by Zoning District

NAICS Ref.	Principal Uses ↓	Zoning Districts →	RT	RL	RS	RS-2	RS-3	RSR	RSRMM	RMF	VCR	VC	RA	RRE	RPC	RMHP	See Section:
A = Allowed			S = Allowed if Approved as a Special Use						Blank Space = Prohibited								
Agricultural Uses																	
111	Crop Production, including Greenhouse, Nursery (non-retail), and Floriculture Production												A				
112	Animal Production and Aquaculture (except for: Dog or Cat Breeding Kennel; and, Animal Slaughtering and Processing)												A				
112990	Dog or Cat Breeding Kennel												S	S			317.J
113	Forestry and Logging												A				
114210	Hunting Preserve												S	S			317.J
1151	Support Activities for Crop Production												A				
115210	Support Activities for Animal Production (including Livestock Breeding Services)												A				
1153	Support Activities for Forestry												A				
321113	Temporary Sawmill												S				317.H
312130	Winery, no retail and/or restaurant												A				317.I
312130	Winery, with retail and/or restaurant												S				317.I
424410	Farmers Market (wholesale)												A				
541940	Animal Hospital and Veterinary Clinic												S	S			317.J
712190	Wildlife Preserve												S	S			317.J
713990	Horse Riding Stables												S	S			317.J
Residential Uses																	
	Single-Family Detached: Site-Built or Modular Home		A	A	A	A	A	A	A		A	A	A	A	A		
	Single-Family Detached: Manufactured Home								A			A	A/S	A/S		A	317.C
	Single-Family Semi-Detached									A					A		

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			A = Allowed					S = Allowed if Approved as a Special Use					Blank Space = Prohibited				
	Two-Family Dwelling: Duplex									A					A		
	Three-Family Dwelling: Triplex									A					A		
	Four-Family Dwelling: Quadruplex									A					A		
	Multi-Family: Townhouses									A					A		
	Multi-Family: Apartments									A					A		
	Multi-Family: Condominiums									A					A		
	Manufactured Home Park															A	317.C
721191	Bed and Breakfast			A									A	A	A		317.B
721199	Short Term Home Rental		A	A	A	A	A	A	A		A	A	A	A	A		317.F
Public / Institutional Uses																	
813110	Churches and Other Facilities for Religious Organizations Worship		A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A		
Recreation Uses																	
711212	Commercial Racetrack												S				
711310	Commercial Arena												S				
713990	Private Amenity Area that is a part of and serves a residential development but is located on a separate lot		A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A				A			317.D
Communications & Utilities																	
221	Public Utilities		A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	317.E
221114	Solar Farm												A				317.G
517312	Telecommunication Facility												S				407

Section 318. Dimensional Requirements.

Table 3.2 Dimensional Requirements by Residential Zoning District*

Zoning District	Lot size ¹ (minimum, acres)			Lot Width ⁴ (minimum, feet)	Lot Depth (minimum, feet)	Principal Building Setback (minimum, feet)					Building Height (maximum, feet)
	Septic Tank & Well	Septic Tank & Water ²	Sewer & Water ³			Front ⁵			Side	Rear	
						Parkway	State Highway	Other Streets			
RT	1.5	.75	.40	75	100	80	60	30	10	20	35
RL ⁶	1.5	.75	.75	75	100	80	60	40	10	20	35
RS ⁶	1.5	1	1	75	100	80	60	40	10	20	35
RS-2	--	--	.50	75	100	80	60	30	10	20	35
RS-3	--	--	.33	75	100	80	60	30	10	20	35
RSR ⁷	1.5	1	--	100	150	100	60	40	10	20	35
RSRMM ⁷	1.5	1	--	100	150	100	60	40	10	20	35
RA ⁹	Site Built: 1.5 ⁸ ; 5.0 in subdivisions Manufactured: 5.0 ¹⁰			175	200	100	60	40	20	35	35
RRE ¹¹	Site Built: 1.5 ⁸ ; 3.0 in subdivisions Manufactured: 5.0 ¹⁰			150	200	100	60	40	20	35	35

* Requirements for VCR, VC, RPC and RMHP not incorporated into table; see respective sections that address these zoning districts for dimensional requirements.

¹ Minimum lot sizes may be less in Conservation Subdivisions, which are allowed by right in all single-family residential and agricultural districts (see Subdivision Regulations)

² Community or public water ³ Public water and sewer ⁴ Width at the building line

⁵ Front yard setback applies to all frontages on publicly maintained streets with the exception of rear alleys.

⁶ In addition to the dimensional requirements in this table, all utilities shall comply with applicable regulations, and street lighting shall be included on all new public streets.

⁷ In addition to the dimensional requirements in this table, setbacks are required from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers line on Lake Lanier unless a road is involved.

⁸ Or as determined by the Dawson County Health Department, whichever is greater

⁹ In addition to the dimensional requirements in this table, the following shall apply: a) Major farm buildings shall be a minimum distance of 50 feet from the property line or 200 feet from the nearest residence, other than the residence of the owner, whichever is greater. b) The exhaust end of all poultry houses shall be located not less than 300 feet from any existing residence other than the applicant's. All poultry houses shall be located not less than 300 feet from a property line adjacent to residentially zoned property and 50 feet from the property line of any property located in an R-A or C-RB district. As an alternative to this requirement, the applicant may upon approval of the Planning Commission construct an earth berm, vegetative buffer or other barrier as specified and approved by the Planning Commission to shield the exhaust from any such residence. c) No setback is required from Lake Lanier Government Line. d) Health Department regulations require 10 feet from property line and 100 feet from a well for septic field lines.

¹⁰ A manufactured home may be located on a tract of land that is less than 5 acres with Special Use Approval.

¹¹ In addition to the dimensional requirements in this table, the following shall apply: a) Farm buildings (horse barns, etc.) shall be a minimum distance of 30 feet from the property line or 100 feet from the nearest residence, other than the residence of the owner, whichever is greater. b) No setback is required from Lake Lanier Government Line, but is encouraged. c) The height of farm related buildings and structures shall not be over 35 feet without approval by the Planning Commission.



DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department: Planning & Development

Work Session: 11/07/2019

Prepared By: Melissa Hawk

Voting Session: 11/21/2019

Presenter: Jameson Kinley / Melissa Hawk

Public Hearing: Yes No

Agenda Item Title: RFP #354-19 - Consulting Services for 53 Overlay District and 400 Corridor District Update

Background Information:

B + C Studios completed the preliminary work for the 53 Overlay District between July 2016 and December 2017. No further work has been completed on this document. The current 400 Highway Development and Design Guidelines was adopted by the BOC in December 2000.

Current Information:

An RFP was released on August 29, 2019, requesting separate pricing for the 400 Corridor District Update and the 53 Overlay District. 1 response was received from B + C Studios in the amount of \$49,200 for the 53 Overlay District project and \$46,500 for the 400 District Update project. The total for both projects is \$95,700. B + C Studios received an evaluation score of 88 points.

Budget Information: Applicable: XX Not Applicable: Budgeted: Yes No XX

Fund	Dept.	Acct No.	Budget	Balance	Requested	Remaining
100	7410	521200			\$95,700.00	

Recommendation/Motion: To accept the bids submitted and award a contract to B + C Studios not to exceed the amount of \$95,700.

Department Head Authorization: Jameson Kinley

Date: 10/22/2019

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 10/29/19

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 10/29/19

County Attorney Authorization: _____

Date: _____

Comments/Attachments:

Presentation



War Hill Park

Photo by: Michelle Wittmer Grabowski



RFP #354-19 CONSULTING SERVICES FOR 53 OVERLAY DISTRICT AND 400 CORRIDOR DISTRICT UPDATE

WORK SESSION – November 7, 2019



Background and Overview



- ❖ State Route 53 is increasing with commercial development and has become identified as a corridor targeted for a more intensive study.
- ❖ B + C Studios completed preliminary work for the document between July, 2016 and October, 2017.
- ❖ The then Planning Director opted to cancel the contract to complete in-house, which was approved by the BOC on September 21, 2017. No further work was completed.
- ❖ Current Planning staff requested the BOC permission to release an RFP to complete the document.

- ❖ The current 400 Highway Development and Design Guidelines was adopted by the BOC in December, 2000.
- ❖ There have been minor adjustments to this document since then but, the County sees the need to revamp the current guiding principle.

Procurement Approach and Procedure



BID ACCORDING TO POLICY

- ✓ Advertised in Legal Organ
- ✓ Posted on County Website
- ✓ Posted on Georgia Procurement Registry
- ✓ Emailed notification through vendor registry
- ✓ Notification through County's Facebook and Twitter accounts
- ✓ Notification through Chamber of Commerce
- ❑ **1 proposal received**

Scope of Services



- ❖ Some of the scope of services for both documents include:
 - Evaluation of the County's Existing Codes/Documents and Attend Meetings with County Staff to discuss parameters and vision of work involved.
 - Public Participation/Involvement Plan structured in 4 phases:
 - Kick-Off Meeting to discuss initiative, goals and schedule
 - Stakeholder Interviews held in conjunction with utilizing the Survey Monkey tool over a period of 4 – 6 months
 - Public Workshops held to provide opportunities for residents, businesses, property owners, other citizens and elected officials to develop and build consensus around the vision for the districts.
 - Deliver a detailed Summary Report containing the issues and recommendations obtained during the stake holder's interviews and public workshops.
 - Identify Potential Solutions and Approaches to be recommended to the Dawson County Staff.
 - Development of Draft and Final Revision to Existing Codes and Documents ensuring County's compliance with all applicable State of Georgia statutes, Stormwater Management, Building/Fire Codes, Public Utilities, Parks & Recreation, Solid Waste Services, GA Dept of Community Affairs

Evaluation Committee



- ❖ Jameson Kinley, Planning and Development Director
- ❖ Harmony Gee, Zoning Administrator
- ❖ Keith Wilson, Building Inspector

- ❖ Facilitator – Melissa Hawk, Purchasing Manager

Evaluation Criteria and Proposer Scores Summary



COMPANY	COMPANY BACKGROUND AND STRUCTURE	EXPERIENCE & QUALIFICATIONS OF DEDICATED STAFF	PROJECT UNDERSTANDING/ APPROACH TO SCOPE OF WORK	REFERENCES	MANAGEMENT PLAN	TECHNICAL SCORE	Cost/ FINANCIAL	Total SCORE
C + B Studios	35	48	50	22	33	63	25	88

Evaluation weight for this RFP is 75% technical and 25% price.

Scores rounded to the nearest whole number

Offers Received



Tasks	B + C Studios
Task 1 - 53 Overlay District	\$49,200.00
Task 2 - 400 Corridor District Update	\$46,500.00
Lump Sum Total	\$95,700.00
High/Low Variance	0.00
Value of 1 point	
	9570.00
Grade Reduction	0.00
Point (Max. 10)	10.00
Fee Grade (pts x 2.5)	25.00

Staff Recommendation



Staff respectfully requests the Board to accept the proposal submitted and to award a contract to B + C Studios, not to exceed the amount of \$96,000.00.

THANK YOU



DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department: Planning & Development

Work Session: 11/7/2019

Prepared By: Harmony Gee

Voting Session: 11/7/2019

Presenter: Jameson Kinley

Public Hearing: No

Agenda Item Title: Presentation of Dawson County Capital Improvement Element adoption.

Background Information:

Capital Improvements Element plan was presented for Public Hearing at the October 3rd BOC voting session. It was submitted to the DCA for review and has been returned to us for corrections.

Current Information:

All concerns raised by the DCA were addressed and corrected.

Budget Information: Applicable: Not Applicable: Budgeted: Yes No

Fund	Dept.	Acct No.	Budget	Balance	Requested	Remaining

Recommendation/Motion: _____

Department Head Authorization: _____

Date:

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 10/29/19

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 10/29/19

County Attorney Authorization: _____

Date: _____

Comments/Attachments:

Capital Improvements Element 2019 Annual Update:

Financial Report & Community Work Program

Dawson County, GA
Draft

Introduction

This Capital Improvements Element Annual Update has been prepared based on the rules and regulations pertaining to impact fees in Georgia, as specified by the Development Impact Fee Act (DIFA) and the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) documents Development Impact Fee Compliance Requirements and Standards and Procedures for Local Comprehensive Planning. These three documents dictate the essential elements of an Annual Update, specifically the inclusion of a financial report and a schedule of improvements.

According to the Compliance Requirements, the Annual Update:

“must include: 1) the Annual Report on impact fees required under O.C.G.A. 36-71-8; and 2) a new fifth year schedule of improvements, and any changes to or revisions of previously listed CIE projects, including alterations in project costs, proposed changes in funding sources, construction schedules, or project scope.” (Chapter 110-12-2-.03(2)(c))

Financial Report

The Financial Report included in this document is based on the requirements of DIFA, specifically:

“As part of its annual audit process, a municipality or county shall prepare an annual report describing the amount of any development impact fees collected, encumbered, and used during the preceding year by category of public facility and service area.” (O.C.G.A. 36-71-8(d)(1))

The County’s fiscal year runs from January 1 to December 31. Thus, this financial report is based on the audit prepared for FY 2018. The required financial information for each public facility category appears in the main financial table (page 3); service area designations appear in the project tables that follow (pages 4 through 7).

Schedule of Improvements

In addition to the financial report, the County has prepared a five-year schedule of improvement a community

work program (CWP) as specified in the Compliance Requirements (Chapter 110-12-2-.03(2)(c)), which states that local governments that have a CIE must “update their entire Community Work Programs annually.”¹

According to DCA’s requirements,² the CWP must include:

- A brief description of the activity;
- Timeframe for undertaking the activity;
- Responsible party for implementing the activity;
- Estimated cost (if any) of implementing the activity; and,
- Funding source(s), if applicable.

All of this information appears in the Community Work Program portion of this document, beginning on page 8. This Community Work Program is based on the CIE adopted July 10, 2018.

¹ Note that the Compliance Requirements specify that the community work program is to meet the requirements of Chapter 110-12-1-.04(7)(a), which is a reference to the STWP requirements in a previous version of the Standards and Procedures for Local Comprehensive Planning. The correct current description of a STWP is found at Chapter 110-12-1-.05(2)(c)(i).

² Chapter 110-12-1-.05(2)(c)(i).

IMPACT FEES FINANCIAL REPORT – DAWSON COUNTY, GA Fiscal Year 2018

DAWSON COUNTY

Annual Impact Fee Financial Report - Fiscal Year 2018

	Library Services	Fire Protection	Law Enforcement	Roads	Parks & Recreation	Administration	TOTAL
Service Area	County-wide	County-wide	County-wide	Ga 400 Corridor	County-wide		
Impact Fee Fund Balance January 1, 2018	\$5,376.41	\$3,246.21	\$45,839.36	\$1,218.80	\$68,478.4	(\$39,803.29)	\$84,335.89
Impact Fees Collected (January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018)	\$54,403.74	\$99,731.46	\$0.00*	\$51,159.79	\$172,803.30	\$11,341.38	\$389,439.67
Subtotal: Fee Accounts	\$59,780.15	\$102,997.67	\$45,839.36	\$52,378.59	\$241,281.70	(\$28,461.91)	\$473,795.56
Accrued Interest	\$96.36	\$165.99	\$73.89	\$84.43	\$388.93	(\$45.95)	\$764.95
(Impact Fee Refunds)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
(FY 2018 Expenditures)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$18,900.00	\$18,900.00
Impact Fee Fund Balance December 31, 2018	\$59,876.51	\$103,143.66	\$45,913.25	\$52,463.02	\$241,670.63	(\$47,407.86)	\$455,660.51
Impact Fees Encumbered	\$59,876.51	\$103,143.66	\$45,913.25	\$52,463.02	\$241,670.63		\$455,660.51

*Effective July 10, 2018, no impact fees allocated for law enforcement. No Impact Fees collected previously.

Public Facility:	Library Services							
Service Area:	County-wide							
Project Description	Project Start Date	Project End Date	Local Cost of Project	Maximum Percentage of Funding from Impact Fees	Maximum Funding Possible from Impact Fees	Impact Fees Expended to Date	Impact Fees Encumbered	Status/Remarks
Collection Materials	2018	2018	\$38,934.07	99.49%	\$38,735.51			Delayed
Collection Materials	2019	2019	\$38,934.07	99.49%	\$38,735.51			
Collection Materials	2020	2020	\$39,262.72	99.50%	\$39,066.41		\$ 39,262.72	
Collection Materials	2021	2021	\$39,350.36	99.50%	\$39,153.61		\$ 20,613.79	
Collection Materials	2022	2022	\$39,021.71	99.49%	\$38,822.70			
Collection Materials	2023	2023	\$38,605.42	99.49%	\$38,408.53			
Collection Materials	2024	2024	\$38,758.79	99.49%	\$38,561.12			
Collection Materials	2025	2025	\$38,671.15	99.49%	\$38,473.93			
Collection Materials	2026	2026	\$38,934.07	99.49%	\$38,735.51			
Collection Materials	2027	2027	\$39,087.44	99.50%	\$38,892.00			
Collection Materials	2028	2028	\$39,175.08	99.50%	\$38,979.20			
Collection Materials	2029	2029	\$39,087.44	99.50%	\$38,892.00			
Collection Materials	2030	2030	\$38,758.79	99.49%	\$38,561.12			
Collection Materials	2031	2031	\$38,846.43	99.49%	\$38,648.31			
Collection Materials	2032	2032	\$38,671.15	99.49%	\$38,473.93			
Collection Materials	2033	2033	\$38,517.78	99.49%	\$38,321.34			
Collection Materials	2034	2034	\$38,430.14	99.49%	\$38,234.15			
Collection Materials	2035	2035	\$38,254.86	99.49%	\$38,059.76			
Collection Materials	2036	2036	\$38,671.15	99.49%	\$38,473.93			
Collection Materials	2037	2037	\$39,262.72	99.50%	\$39,066.41			
Collection Materials	2038	2038	\$40,117.21	99.45%	\$39,896.57			
Collection Materials	2039	2039	\$40,796.42	99.46%	\$40,576.12			
Collection Materials	2040	2040	\$41,212.71	99.47%	\$40,994.28			
New library space (13,991 sf)	2026	2026	\$4,365,192.00	100.00%	\$4,365,192.00			
			\$5,264,553.68		\$5,259,953.93		\$59,876.51	

Public Facility:	Fire Protection							
Service Area:	County-wide							
Project Description	Project Start Date	Project End Date	Local Cost of Project	Maximum Percentage of Funding from Impact Fees	Maximum Funding Possible from Impact Fees	Impact Fees Expended to Date	Impact Fees Encumbered	Status/Remarks
Medic	2020	2020	\$250,000.00	100.00%	\$250,000.00		\$103,143.66	
Engine	2021	2021	\$400,000.00	100.00%	\$400,000.00			
Tender	2021	2021	\$300,000.00	100.00%	\$300,000.00			
Engine	2022	2022	\$400,000.00	100.00%	\$400,000.00			
Medic	2022	2022	\$250,000.00	100.00%	\$250,000.00			
Engine	2023	2023	\$400,000.00	100.00%	\$400,000.00			
Ladder	2023	2023	\$1,100,000.00	100.00%	\$1,100,000.00			
Engine	2028	2028	\$400,000.00	100.00%	\$400,000.00			
New Station 3	2023	2023	\$1,937,339.00	25.00%	\$484,334.75			
Station 11	2025	2025	\$133,894.00	100.00%	\$133,894.00			
Station 12	2028	2028	\$505,594.00	100.00%	\$505,594.00			
Station 13	2031	2031	\$140,997.00	100.00%	\$140,997.00			
Station 14	2034	2034	\$144,658.00	100.00%	\$144,658.00			
Station 15	2037	2037	\$2,184,961.00	100.00%	\$2,184,961.00			
Training Center	2024	2024	\$220,807.00	100.00%	\$220,807.00			
			\$8,768,250.00		\$7,315,245.75		\$103,143.66	

Public Facility:	Roads							
Service Area:	County wide							
Project Description	Project Start Date	Project End Date	Local Cost of Project	Maximum Percentage of Funding from Impact Fees	Maximum Funding Possible from Impact Fees	Impact Fees Expended to Date	Impact Fees Encumbered	Status/Remarks
Kelly Bridge Road, full depth reclamation and widening both lanes	2018	2018	\$2,262,592.57	44.6778557%	\$1,010,877.84			delayed
Lumpkin Campground Road, lane addition and lane widening	2019	2019	\$4,230,847.21	44.6778557%	\$1,890,251.81		\$ 52,460.02	
Red Rider Road, right-of-way acquisition and road widening	2019	2019	\$1,269,254.16	44.6778557%	\$567,075.54			satisfied
Sweetwater Juno Road, road widening and resurfacing	2019	2019	\$1,375,025.34	44.6778557%	\$614,331.84			
Couch Road, road wideing and resurfacing	2020	2020	\$3,807,317.28	44.6778557%	\$1,701,027.72			
Grant Road East, upgrade dirt to pavement and road widening	2020	2020	\$870,243.95	44.6778557%	\$388,806.34			
Shoal Creek - Shoal Creek Road Bridge, replacement with additional lanes and weight	2020	2020	\$2,719,512.35	44.6778557%	\$1,215,019.80			
Amicalola River - Goshen Church Bridgem replacement with additional lanes and weight	2021	2021	\$1,678,131.39	44.6778557%	\$749,753.12			
Whitmire Drive West, add third (center turn) lane	2021	2021	\$895,003.41	44.6778557%	\$399,868.33			satisfied
Prepare Transportation Plan (in house)	2020	2020		n/a				
			\$19,107,927.66		\$8,537,012.35		\$52,460.02	

*satisfied – Projects were satisfied through other means, therefore removed from CWP.

Public Facility:	Parks and Recreation							
Service Area:	County wide							
Project Description	Project Start Date	Project End Date	Local Cost of Project	Maximum Percentage of Funding from Impact Fees	Maximum Funding Possible from Impact Fees	Impact Fees Expended to Date	Impact Fees Encumbered	Status/Remarks
Park Acres	2020	2020	\$2,995,770.00	84.76%	\$2,539,214.65			
Baseball/Softball Fields	tbd	tbd						
Basketball Courts (outdoor)	tbd	tbd	\$395,649.00	99.53%	\$393,789.45			
Multi-Purpose Fields	tbd	tbd	\$1,134,839.00	95.16%	\$1,079,912.79			
Picnic Pavilions	tbd	tbd	\$463,753.00	77.78%	\$360,707.08			
Playgrounds	tbd	tbd	\$695,626.00	66.66%	\$463,704.29			
Aquatic Center (deferred)	tbd	tbd		58.34%				
Tennis Courts	tbd	tbd	\$993,690.00	83.33%	\$828,041.88			
Gymnasium	tbd	tbd	\$2,550,964.00	100.00%	\$2,550,964.00			
Maintenance Sheds	tbd	tbd	\$415,646.00	100.00%	\$415,646.00			
Office/Concession	tbd	tbd	\$489,462.00	100.00%	\$489,462.00			
Recreation Center	tbd	tbd	\$5,402,116.00	100.00%	\$5,402,116.00			
Restroom/Concession	tbd	tbd	\$799,593.00	95.18%	\$761,052.62			
Senior Rec Center	2019	2019	\$401,251.00	100.00%	\$401,251.00		\$ 241,670.63	
Maintenance Yard	tbd	tbd	\$6,118.00	100.00%	\$6,118.00			
Walking Trails	tbd	tbd	\$569,373.00	100.00%	\$569,373.00			
Parking	tbd	tbd	\$1,898,284.00	100.00%	\$1,898,284.00			
			\$19,212,134.00		\$18,159,636.76		\$241,670.63	

**2019-2023 COMMUNITY WORK PROGRAM
DAWSON COUNTY, GA**

DCA Category	Activity	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Responsible Party	Cost Estimate	Funding Source
Com. Facilities	Purchase of collection materials	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Dawson County Library	\$194,186	99.5% impact fees; SPLOST
Com. Facilities	New Jail (Wrap-up to previous new jail project identified in the 2006 CIE)	✓					Sheriff's Office	\$45,715.05	100% impact fees
Com. Facilities	Purchase fire engine for Station 4			✓			Emergency Services	\$400,000	100% impact fees
Com. Facilities	Purchase medic vehicle for Station 4			✓			Emergency Services	\$250,000	100% impact fees
Com. Facilities	Purchase medic vehicle for Station 5		✓				Emergency Services	\$250,000	100% impact fees
Com. Facilities	Purchase fire engine for Station 9			✓			Emergency Services	\$400,000	100% impact fees
Com. Facilities	Purchase tender for Station 9			✓			Emergency Services	\$300,000	100% impact fees
Com. Facilities	Install fire hydrants (Annual installation in accordance with the Authority's schedule)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	EWSA	\$237,900	100% impact fees
Com. Facilities	Acquire park land (140 acres)				✓		Parks & Rec Dept., BOC	\$800,000	84.76% impact fees; SPLOST
Com. Facilities	Senior Rec Center (Cost excludes \$750,000 grant)	✓	✓				Senior Services	\$401,251	100% impact fees

*Fire Stations renumbered in 2018

*2019-2023 CWP lists impact fee eligible projects. A complete CWP can be found in the Comprehensive Plan.

DCA Category	Activity	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Responsible Party	Cost Estimate	Funding Source
Transportation	Kelly Bridge Road, full depth reclamation and widening both lanes	✓	✓	✓			PWD	\$2,200,000	44.68% impact fees; SPLOST
Transportation	Lumpkin Campground Road, lane addition and lane widening		✓	✓	✓	✓	PWD	\$4,000,000	44.68% impact fees; SPLOST
Transportation	Sweetwater Juno Road, road widening and resurfacing		✓	✓			PWD	\$1,300,000	44.68% impact fees; SPLOST
Transportation	Couch Road, road widening and resurfacing				✓	✓	PWD	\$3,500,000	44.68% impact fees; SPLOST
Transportation	Grant Road East, up-grade dirt to pavement and road widening					✓	PWD	\$800,000	44.68% impact fees; SPLOST
Transportation	Shoal Creek – Shoal Creek Road Bridge, replacement with additional lanes and weight limit					✓	PWD	\$2,500,000	44.68% impact fees; SPLOST
Transportation	Amicalola River – Goshen Church Bridge, replacement with additional lanes and weight				✓	✓	PWD	\$1,500,000	44.68% impact fees; SPLOST
Transportation	Transportation Plan (Prepared by staff)		✓	✓			PWD	\$0	Prepared by Staff
Transportation	Update impact fee Capital Improvements Element with road improvements (Consultant			✓	✓		PWD	\$0	Prepared by Staff



DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department: Public Works

Work Session: 11/7/19

Prepared By: Alexa Bruce

Voting Session: 11/21/19

Presenter: David McKee

Public Hearing: Yes No

Agenda Item Title: LMIG 2020 Application Packet

Background Information:

Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG) is a state program where we receive money (grant) from our State Motor Fuel Tax collections and requires a match of 30%. This year the amount allotted to Dawson County is \$450,435.77 with Dawson County's 30% match of \$135,130.73, the total budget for 2020 LMIG (projects) is \$585,566.50.

Current Information:

Funds will be utilized to repair multiple roads within Dawson County. I have attached the allocation form from Georgia Department of Transportation, the 2020 Project List, the 2020 Cover letter, and the 2020 LMIG Road map. The application is now done online and no longer available to print for 2020, therefore there is no application included in this packet.

Budget Information: Applicable: Not Applicable: Budgeted: Yes No

Fund	Dept.	Acct No.	Budget	Balance	Requested	Remaining
LMIG	Public Works	250-00-4226-522200-000	\$643,480.00	\$643,480.00		\$643,480.00

Recommendation/Motion: Approve the 2020 LMIG Application as submitted.

Department Head Authorization: David McKee

Date: 10/23/2019

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 10/29/19

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 10/29/19

County Attorney Authorization: _____

Date: _____

Comments/Attachments:

DAWSON COUNTY

Public Works

October 23, 2019

Subject: 2020 LMIG Application and Project List

Dear Mr. Jeramy Durrence:

It is my pleasure to submit to you the following list of projects eligible for LMIG funding for 2020. The formula amount for Dawson County is \$450,435.77. Adding our 30% match of \$135,130.73, that would total \$585,566.50. The following table outlines our 2020 project list:

ROAD NAME	BEGINNING	ENDING	(MILES)	DESCRIPTION OF WORK	PROJECT COST	PROJECT DATE
Goswick Drive	Highway 9 North	Cul-de-sac	.21	Mill/fill 2' binder 19mm 2' topping 9.5	\$85,010	20-May
Joseph Lane	Goswick Drive	Cul-de-sac	.42	Mill/fill 2' binder 19mm 2' topping 9.5	\$58,860	20-May
Sundown Way	HWY 53 East	Cul-de-sac	.29	2" Mill/fill 19mm binder 2" 9.5mm top	\$92,233	20-May
Sundown Drive	Sundown Way	Cul-de-sac	.38	2" Mill/fill 19mm binder 2" 9.5mm top	\$92,233	20-May
Perimeter Road	Mile post 0.00	Mile post .0098	1.07 total miles by the county	Deep patch 250T; edge mill curb; 2' 12.5mm topping	\$52,080	20-June
Perimeter Road	Mile post .146	Mile post .241	1.07 total miles by the	Deep patch 250T; edge mill curb; 2' 12.5mm topping	\$52,080	20-June
Perimeter Road	Mile post .473	Mile post .663	1.07 total miles by the	Deep patch 250T; edge mill curb; 2' 12.5mm topping	\$52,080	20-June
North Seed Tick	Frank Bruce Road	HWY 136 East	.90	75T deep patch, 2" PermaFlex, 1.5' 9.5mm topping	\$102,350	20-April
Total					586,926	

The project cost estimates DO NOT include Dawson County's labor and equipment. Please find the enclosed LMIG Application, and if there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please also note that the remainder of Perimeter Road will be done by the City of Dawsonville through LMIG Funding.

Sincerely,

David McKee
 Dawson County
 Director of Public Works



**Russell R. McMurry, P.E.,
Commissioner**
One Georgia Center
600 West Peachtree Street, NW
Atlanta, GA 30308
(404) 631-1000 Main Office

June 26, 2019

Billy Thurmond, Chairman
Dawson County
25 Justice Way, Suite 2313
Dawsonville, Georgia 30534

RE: Fiscal Year 2020 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG) Program

Dear Chairman Thurmond:

We are pleased to announce that the Department will begin accepting applications for the Fiscal Year 2020 LMIG Program on July 1, 2019. This year grants will be processed electronically through our **New GRANTS (LMIG) Application System**. To begin your FY 2020 LMIG Application, please visit the Department’s website at www.dot.ga.gov/PS/Local/LMIG. This site provides a link to the LMIG Application and a link to the LMIG Application Tutorial (Manual). The project list will be entered directly into the new application system and your cover letter will be uploaded as an attachment. This site provides a signature page for you to download, complete and upload as an attachment. Please contact your District State Aid Coordinator, Jeremy Durrence, at 404-694-6545 for assistance with the online application process.

All electronic LMIG applications must be received no later than January 1, 2020. Failure to submit applications by the deadline may result in a forfeiture of funds.

Your formula amount for the 2020 Program is **\$450,435.77** and your local match is **30%**. Each local government is required to match this formula amount in accordance with Code Section 48-8-244(d). The General Guidelines and Rules and other pertinent reports can be found on the Department’s website at www.dot.ga.gov/PS/Local/LMIG. The cover letter you attach to your electronic application must include a satisfactory status of your previous LMIG Grants before approval may be given.

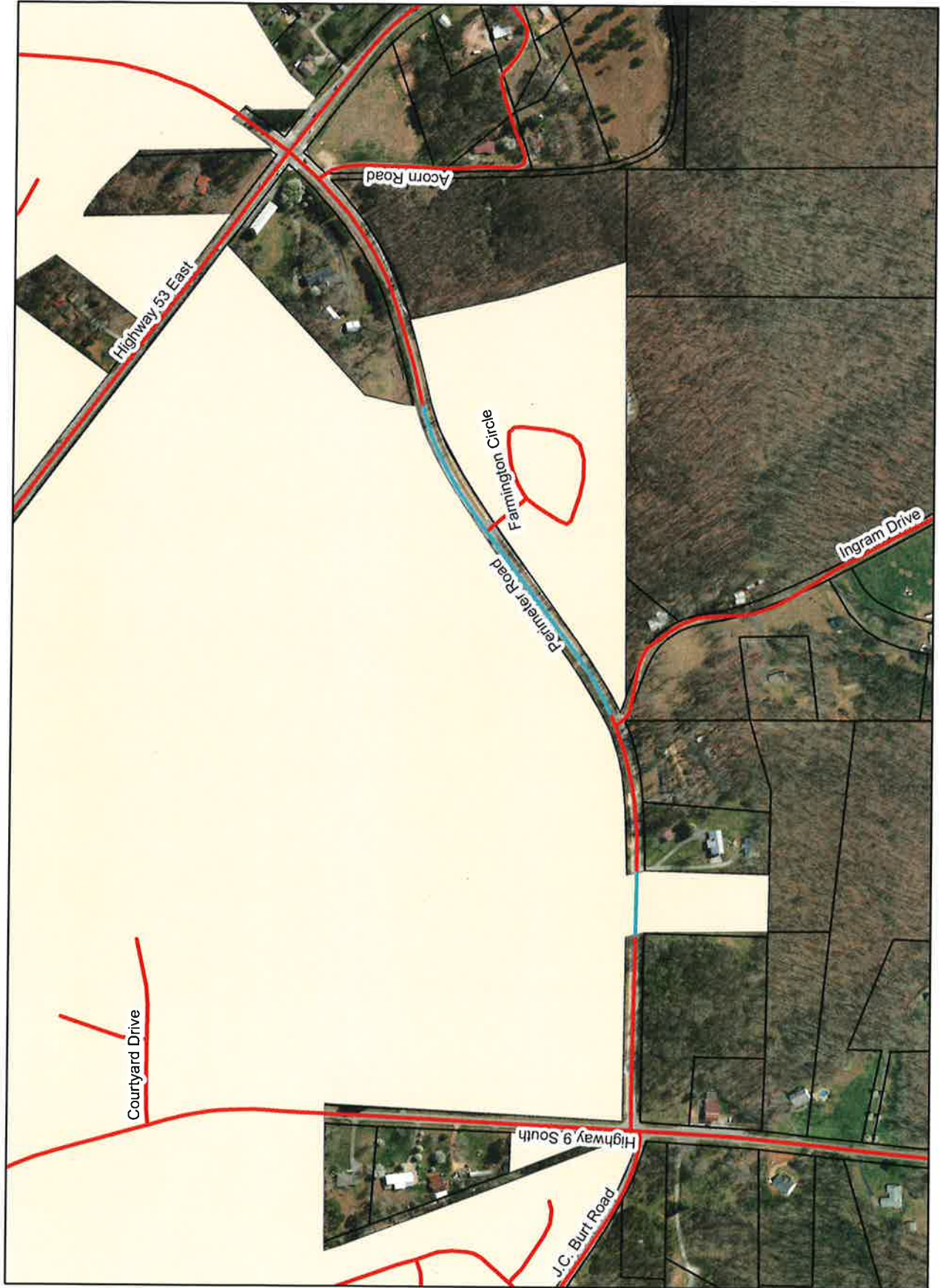
If you should have any questions regarding the LMIG Program please contact the Local Grants Office in Atlanta at (404) 347-0240. Thank you for your attention and cooperation in this matter.

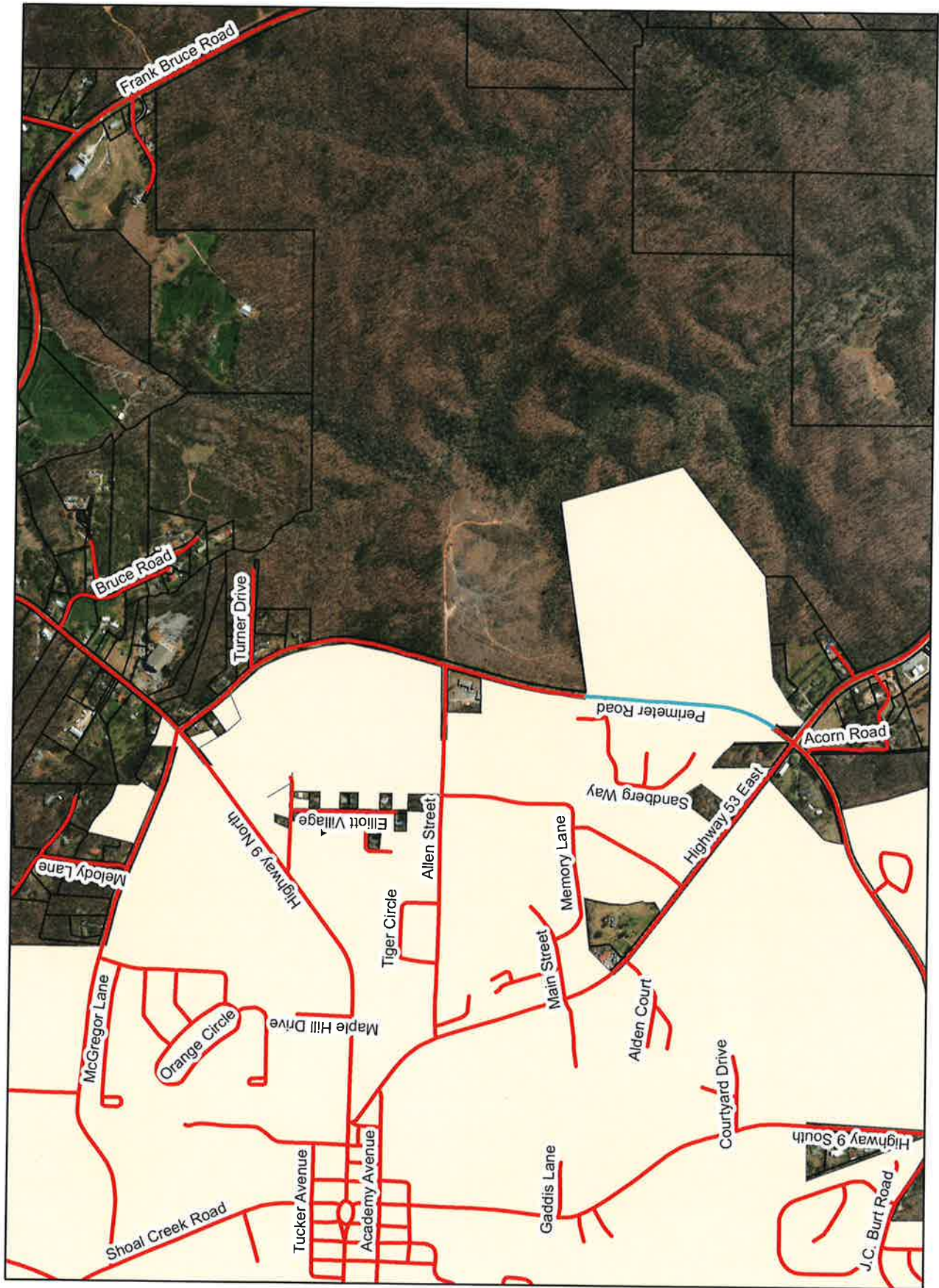
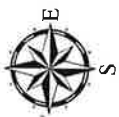
Sincerely,

Russell R. McMurry, P.E.
Commissioner

Enclosure:

cc: Mr. Brandon Kirby, P.E.; Hon. David Ralston; Hon. Kevin Tanner; Hon. Steve Gooch ; Ms. Emily Dunn







DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department: Juvenile Court

Work Session: 11/07/2019

Prepared By: Judge Lindsay Burton

Voting Session: 11/21/2019

Presenter: Vickie Neikirk

Public Hearing: Yes No

Agenda Item Title: Request for Additional Funding for Increased Attorney Fees

Background Information:

Any indigent parent is entitled to free legal representation in a dependency case. In 2014, the law changed and all children are also entitled to an appointed attorney. The Court has seen an increase in the number of dependent children over the last several years. In addition, CASA does not have enough volunteers to serve on every case.

Current Information:

All funds from Indigent Defense – Parent and Indigent Defense – Child have been expensed to pay attorney invoices. At this time there are no additional funds within Juvenile Court’s budget that can be moved to cover attorney fees through the end of 2019.

Budget Information: Applicable: Not Applicable: Budgeted: Yes No

Fund	Dept.	Acct No.	Amended Budget	YTD Expenditures	Balance Remaining	Amount Requested
100	2600	521201	\$78,200	\$78,199.50	\$0.50	\$43,000
100	2600	521202	\$58,322	\$58,321.40	\$0.60	\$20,000

Recommendation/Motion: Motion to approve moving \$63,000 from General Fund’s fund balance

Department Head Authorization: Lindsay H. Burton

Date: 10.25.19

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 10/29/19

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 10/29/19

County Attorney Authorization: _____

Date: _____

Comments/Attachments:

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DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department: Finance

Work Session: 11/07/19

Prepared By: Vickie Neikirk

Voting Session:

Presenter: Vickie Neikirk, CFO

Public Hearing: Yes _ No _____

Agenda Item Title: Presentation of 3rd. Quarter Financial report

Current Information:

Public presentation of the Financial Report for 3rd. quarter for FY 2019.

Budget Information: Applicable: Not Applicable: _____ Budgeted: Yes No _____

Fund	Dept.	Acct No.	Budget	Balance	Requested	Remaining

Recommendation/Motion: _____

Department Head Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 10/15/19

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 10/15/19

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 10/28/19

County Attorney Authorization: _____

Date: _____

Comments/Attachments:

DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO COUNTY
BOARDS AND AUTHORITIES



The Dawson County Board of Commissioners accepts applications for appointments. Interested parties should submit this form and supporting documentation to the County Clerk.

Board or Authority Applied for Development Authority

Name Jere Allen

Home Address 1750 Harmony Church Rd

City, State, Zip Dawsonville GA 30534

Mailing Address (if different) _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone Number _____ Alternate Number _____

Fax Telephone Number _____

E-Mail Address _____

Additional information you would like to provide:

Resume previously submitted

Signature  Date 10-23-2019

Please note: Submission of this application does not guarantee an appointment.

Return to: Dawson County Board of Commissioners
Attn: County Clerk
25 Justice Way, Suite 2313
Dawsonville, GA 30534
(706) 344-3501 FAX: (706) 344-3504

JERE D. ALLEN, ChFC, M.S.

· Dawsonville, GA 30534 · Phone:

· Email: jereallen@labdepotinc.com

PROFILE

Finance Executive with 20 years of experience in a broad array of finance, accounting and operations related positions. Currently, serving on the Senior Management Team of The Lab Depot, Inc. leading and advising department managers of a national distributor in the industrial science market. Prior experience includes leading the finance and accounting departments of a privately held health & wellness resort and serving as the Senior Banking Officer for BB&T in the Dawsonville/Dahlonega market.

Objective is to bring learned skills and experience to small & mid-market organizations; to contribute to the success of the company by providing support to the leadership structure and driving ideas to market to increase bottom-line revenue. Committed to team achievement, personal integrity, ensuring sound fiscal management and increasing value for all stakeholders.

CORE PROFICIENCIES

- Vision Casting
- Leadership Development
- Change Management
- Financial Accounting
- Risk Management
- Human Resources
- Cash Mgmt/Treasury Services
- Debt/Equity Financing
- AP/AR/Payroll

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

CFO/VP – Dawsonville, GA

The Lab Depot, Inc., Aug 2016 – Current

- Senior Executive with primary responsibility for all financial, operational and employee related activities. Direct, lead and advise department managers including Sales & CSR, Marketing, Purchasing/ Shipping and Accounting/Finance to ensure business consistency and directional movement that will drive revenue, increase brand awareness, enhance & expand product offering and deliver an exceptional experience to a national customer base in excess of 32,000 end users with over 50,000 current SKUs.
- Oversee large scale projects that require significant investments of time and dollars that set the stage for future company growth. Projects include large scale website migration, deployment of new CRM and remarketing tool that integrates with current ERP, creating a training platform for the deployment of a new outside sales strategy and defining and implementing a new corporate culture.
 - 2018 realized 17% revenue growth and 1% margin improvement
 - Created dynamic intern to hire platform with University of North Georgia and hired 6 graduates in last two years.
 - Completed large scale website migration allowing the company to begin adding new products in masse for the first time in over 3 years.

CFO – Snellville/Dahlonega, GA

R&R Resorts/Dahlonega Spa Resort, Jan 2014 – April 2016

- Executive role with final responsibility for all financial, accounting and human resource functions for privately held business in the hospitality-wellness industry with two international and one local resort property. Total operations were approximately \$8mm in revenue and 100 employees. Shared responsibility with Senior Management Team in casting vision, developing brand awareness, and creating growth strategies for all lines of business. Assisted Sales & Marketing team in creating and implementing new ideas of traditional and social media advertising resulting in successive years of new revenue creation. Served as the Senior Risk Management officer assuring adherence to applicable federal and state laws, as well as writing internal policy to minimize exposure to liability while also creating best practice standards for all employees.

- Achieved back to back years of highest revenue in company history.
- Implemented firm's first 401k retirement program.
- Wrote company's first comprehensive Employee Handbook and commission policy.
- Realized tens of thousands of dollars in savings by implementing correct accounting system, exploring new insurance policies and negotiating large bank note and other 3rd party contracts.

Area Executive - Dawsonville/Dahlonega

BB&T, North GA Region, Aug 2007 – Oct 2012

- Senior banking officer for dual city area. Tasked to manage large commercial credits and majority of portfolio for cities of Dawsonville/Dahlonega through servicing & growing client relationships, administering for growth, quality & profitability and implementing strategic calling efforts to improve bank performance. Responsible for all areas of commercial banking functions to include sales management, integration of various business lines within the bank sales process, monitoring problem

loans and ensuring proper lending process. Managed team consisting of 11 employees in all areas of the branch to grow total loans, deposits and fee-based revenue, expand client relationships and ensure the Perfect Client Experience. Lead sales meetings and provided training & development consistent with the BB&T Coaching Model and monitored & inspected proper compliance with federal and state banking policy.

- North GA 1st place win in Peer Group Commercial Decathlon 2008
- City/Branch with Best Balanced Performance Retail Decathlon 2009
- Multiple employees in "Top Ten" performance in region for 3 consecutive years.

Private Banker III

BB&T, North GA Region Oct 2005- Aug 2007

- Primary relationship manager and point of contact for assigned higher net worth clients in North GA Region with portfolio consisting of 400 clients in 8 branches and 3 states. Delivered and coordinated broad range of financial products and services to include Deposits, Retail Credit, Trust and Asset Management, Insurance, Investments, & Retail Financial Plans for BB&T's Private Banking Segment.
 - Numerous awards and achievements to include overall top quartile ranking in 2006, top Private Banker in Region for 2006, 5th most profitable Private Banking team in entire company, 4th highest referring partner in bank for investment income 2006 and 220% of deposit goal during market share campaign.

Investment Advisor

American Express Financial Advisors, Alpharetta GA, (1999-2005)

Military

US Army & US Army Reserves (1991-1998)

EDUCATION & TRAINING

M.S. Corporate Finance (2013-2014)

Georgia State University

Chartered Financial Consultant, ChFC (2002-2004)

The American College

B.B.A. Finance (1998)

North Georgia College & State University

TECHNICAL SKILLS

QuickBooks, EPICOR P21, Outlook, Excel, PowerPoint, Google Analytics, Salesforce, Pardot & more.

CIVIC ACTIVITIES

Dahlonega Rotary Club (2007 - 2016) member/Board Member, Past President and Treasurer

Rainbow Children's Home- Dahlonega, GA (2007 – 2016) Board Member/Treasurer

United Way, Lumpkin County (2007-2008) Board Member

Browns Bridge Church – member & K-5 volunteer 19 years

Dawson Co BOE Mentor Program 2018 & 2019 – Student mentor at Black's Mill Elementary

DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO COUNTY
BOARDS AND AUTHORITIES



The Dawson County Board of Commissioners accepts applications for appointments. Interested parties should submit this form and supporting documentation to the County Clerk.

Board or Authority Applied for: Dawson County Zoning and Planning Board _____

Name Charles Anthony Passarello (Tony)

Home Address: 180 Sunset Drive _____

City, State, Zip: Dawsonville, GA 30534

Mailing Address (if different) _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone Number _____ **Alternate Number** _____

Fax Telephone Number _____

E-Mail Address _____

Additional information you would like to provide:

Signature C A Passarello (via email) **Date** 10/21/019

Please note: Submission of this application does not guarantee an appointment.

Return to:

**Dawson County Board of Commissioners
Attn: County Clerk
25 Justice Way, Suite 2313
Dawsonville, GA 30534
(706) 344-3501 FAX: (706) 344-3504**

C. Anthony Passarello
180 Sunset Drive, Dawsonville GA 30534

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

MEDICAL IMAGING SOLUTIONS, (2015 – Present)

Principle – Providing Enterprise imaging consultative solutions to hospitals and private physician practices in Radiology, Cardiology and Information Technology Departments. Services include baseline, cost analysis, justification, design, vendor selection and implementation of medical image and information content strategies.

AGFA HEALTHCARE CORPORATION, (1997-2014)

VICE PRESIDENT, HealthCare Solutions Sales, SE and Mid-Atlantic Zones US (1997-2014)
Responsible for creating customized solutions involving Agfa's suite of innovative medical technologies, healthcare information and imaging systems, management consulting, and support services, to help healthcare organization achieve tangible, sustainable, clinical and financial outcomes. Annual sales \$ +155M.

Achievements:

- Manage a team of 66-sales and sales engineers responsible for growing revenue in acute care customer markets through consultative selling, needs assessment and solution set design.
- Co-created a shared-risk technology acquisition model to leverage current operational expense to finance IT deployment.
- Implemented a co-branding channel strategy for Group Purchasing Organizations and distributors.
- Member of team to develop and to implement strategic integration plan after Sterling Diagnostic Imaging acquisition.
- Numerous Strategic Committee positions (US and Worldwide Agfa Corporate)

STAR TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (1995-1996)
Medical Imaging and Information Management Division

BUSINESS DIRECTOR

Responsible for Divisional performance including P&L, strategic marketing, engineering, product management, sales, and customer service through 13 direct reports. Products include medical imaging software applications, custom engineering, and digital dictation and transcription networks for hospitals and clinics.

Achievements:

- Established OEM and international product distribution and support channels
- Led go-to-market launch and sales activity
- Reduced annual cost \$300K through consolidation and outsourcing
- Designed complete selection of product literature, brochures, sales presentations and trade show booth

E. I. du PONT de NEMOURS & CO., INC. (1977 - 1994)

Medical Products, Diagnostic Imaging Division

DISTRICT SALES MANAGER, NYC/NJ Markets (1989 - 1994)

Accountable for annual District sales of \$37M and a staff 17 people with operating budget of \$3.4M. Customers include hospitals, imaging centers and physician offices, managed consumable dealer distribution network including inventory, credit, and collections, responsible for recruiting and development of direct and telemarketing sales force and managing administrative staff and office facilities.

PRODUCT MANAGER, Wilmington, DE (1987 - 1989)

Responsible for Radiology laser imaging and optical archiving products. Chairman of product design, market intelligence, manufacturing engineering, and market introduction committees. As Product Manager controlled a budget of \$23M and staff of 11 people.

SYSTEM TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE, SE REGION (1977 - 1987)

Responsible for direct account prospecting and sales of the full line of Du Pont imaging consumable products in three different sales territories. Responsible for sales of Radiology computer information system. Customers were hospital administration and chief information managers.

MOBAY CHEMICALS, A.G. BAYER, INC. (1974 - 1977)

Bushy River Plant, Charleston, SC

RESEARCH CHEMIST

One of five staff chemists responsible for instrumental testing and spectral analysis of non-dispersing textile fiber dyestuff for manufacturing plant.

EDUCATION:

BS - Chemistry 1974, Baptist College at Charleston, SC
Columbia University, Graduate School of Business, MBA Program
Trainer Miller Heiman Strategic Selling
Lead Field Manager on CRM implementation NA

MEMBERSHIPS/BOARDS:

Dawson County Comprehensive Plan Committee 2018
Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society
Advisory Board, US Rowing Referee Corp - Southeast
Board of Directors, Susan G. Komen "Row for the Cure"
Development Authority of Dawson County 2017
Board of Directors, Good Shepherd Clinic Dawsonville 2019

PUBLICATIONS:

"*Top Ten Ways to Boost Technology Adoption*", *Canadian Healthcare Manager*, April 2004
"*The Strategic Advantage of Standardization: Lessons Learned*", Med Assets CFO Forum, February 2004.
"*Operationalizing Technology Acquisition*", Health Insight's Institute, October 2003