

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PROPOSED AGENDA
WORK SESSION, MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2023, 8:30 a.m.
REGULAR SESSION, TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 2023, 5:30 p.m.
327 N. Ashley Street - 2nd Floor

1. **Call To Order**

2. **Invocation**

3. **Pledge Of Allegiance To The Flag**

4. **Minutes For Approval**

- a. Work Session - June 12, 2023, Special Called Meeting - June 12, 2023,
Regular Session - June 13, 2023, & Budget Public Hearing - June 20,
2023

5. **Fire Officer Of The Year & Fire Fighter Of The Year
Recognition (Work Session)**

6. **Appointments**

- a. Lowndes County Division Of Family And Children Services

Documents:

[LOWNDES COUNTY DIVISION OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES.PDF](#)

- b. Valdosta-Lowndes Parks And Recreation Authority

Documents:

[VALDOSTA LOWNDES PARKS AND RECREATION AUTHORITY.PDF](#)

- c. Valdosta Lowndes County Construction Board Of Adjustments And
Appeals

Documents:

[VALDOSTA LOWNDES COUNTY CONSTRUCTION BOARD.PDF](#)

7. **For Consideration**

- a. Lowndes County Accountability Court Grant Approval And Cash Match

Documents:

[LOWNDES COUNTY ACCOUNTABILITY COURT GRANT APPROVAL AND
CASH MATCH FY24.PDF](#)

b. Annual Contract Renewal With The State Of Georgia Department Of Corrections

Documents:

[ANNUAL CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH THE STATE OF GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS -.PDF](#)

c. Budget Plan For Hotel Motel Proceeds For Fiscal Year 2024

Documents:

[BUDGET PLAN FOR HOTEL MOTEL PROCEEDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024.PDF](#)

d. Adoption Of Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budget

Documents:

[ADOPTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2024 OPERATING BUDGET.PDF](#)

e. Resolution Making Designations Required By OCGA 36-66-5.1(C)

Documents:

[RESOLUTION MAKING DESIGNATIONS REQUIRED BY OCGA 36-66-5.1 \(C\).PDF](#)

8. **Reports - County Manager**
9. **Citizens Wishing To Be Heard-Please State Your Name And Address**
10. **Adjournment**

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Lowndes County Division of Family and Children Services

DATE OF MEETING: June 27, 2023

Work Session/Regular Session

BUDGET IMPACT:

FUNDING SOURCE:

- Annual
- Capital
- N/A
- SPLOST
- TSPLOST

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Appointing/reappointing a member

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: The term of Mrs. Elsie Napier will expire June 30, 2023. Mrs. Napier has expressed a willingness to serve another term on the board.

OPTIONS: 1. Appoint/Reappoint a Member
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Board's Pleasure

DEPARTMENT: County Manager

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Paige Dukes

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Valdosta-Lowndes Parks and Recreation Authority

DATE OF MEETING: June 27, 2023

Work Session/Regular Session

BUDGET IMPACT:

FUNDING SOURCE:

- Annual
- Capital
- N/A
- SPLOST
- TSPLOST

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Appointing/reappointing a member

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: Mrs. Suzan Garnett's term will expire June 30, 2023. Mrs. Garnett has expressed an interest in serving on the board for another term.

OPTIONS: 1. Appoint/Reappoint a Member
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Board's Pleasure

DEPARTMENT: County Manager

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Paige Dukes

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Valdosta Lowndes County Construction Board of Adjustments
and Appeals

DATE OF MEETING: June 27, 2023

Work Session/Regular Session

BUDGET IMPACT:

FUNDING SOURCE:

- Annual
- Capital
- N/A
- SPLOST
- TSPLOST

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Appointing/reappointing a member

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: The term of Tripp Howell will expire June 30, 2023. Mr. Howell has expressed an interest in being reappointed to the board.

OPTIONS: 1. Appoint/Reappoint a Member
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Board's Pleasure

DEPARTMENT: County Manager

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Paige Dukes

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Lowndes County Accountability Court Grant Approval and Cash Match

DATE OF MEETING: June 27, 2023

Work Session/Regular Session

BUDGET IMPACT: \$25,139.00

FUNDING SOURCE:

- Annual
- Capital
- N/A
- SPLOST
- TSPLOST

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Acceptance of FY 24 Grant Award for L.C.A.C.

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: On behalf of the Lowndes County Accountability Court (LCAC) team, and Judge Gregory A. Voyles, I would like to thank the Board for all the support you have given us over the years.

LCAC is funded through a reimbursable State Grant. To receive funding through said grant, LCAC must secure a cash match from Lowndes County. This year's cash match amount is \$25,139.00 (FY 24 budget detail attached).

All other monies expended by the Board of Commissioners on the Court's behalf are fully reimbursable and said payments are received by the County each quarter.

OPTIONS: 1. Approval of continued funding and cash match, as requested above.
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve

DEPARTMENT: Accountability Court

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Jennifer Fabbri

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Annual Contract Renewal with the State of Georgia Department of Corrections

DATE OF MEETING: June 27, 2023

Work
Session/Regular
Session

BUDGET IMPACT: \$147,954.00

FUNDING SOURCE:

- Annual
- Capital
- N/A
- SPLOST
- TSPLOST

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Annual Contract Renewal for three (3) Work Details with the Georgia Department of Corrections

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: The annual contract for three (3) work details with the Department of Corrections is due for renewal. One (1) detail is assigned to the Engineering Department to meet state requirements for storm water and two (2) details are assigned to the Public Works Department to clean county-owned drainage easements.

OPTIONS: 1. Approve the contract renewal and authorize the Chairman to execute the contract.
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Board's Pleasure

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Robin Cumbus

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Budget Plan for Hotel Motel Proceeds for Fiscal Year 2024

DATE OF MEETING: June 27, 2023

Work Session/Regular Session

BUDGET IMPACT:

FUNDING SOURCE:

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Budget Plan for Hotel Motel Proceeds for Fiscal Year 2024

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: Georgia statute requires the Board of Commissioners to adopt prior to each fiscal year a County Budget Plan for the use of hotel/motel tax proceeds for the upcoming fiscal year.

The same statute also requires the Board of Commissioners to obtain from the Conference Center and Tourism Authority a Budget Plan for the Authority's use of hotel/motel proceeds provided to the Authority to promote tourism, conventions and trade shows. This Authority Budget Plan must be made a part of the County Budget Plan.

A proposed County FY 2024 Budget Plan is attached as well as a copy of the Authority Budget Plan which is scheduled to be adopted by the Authority Board on June 27, 2023.

OPTIONS: 1. Adopt the Budget Plan and Authorize the Chairman to sign.
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt

DEPARTMENT: Finance

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Stephanie Black

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Adoption of Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budget

DATE OF MEETING: June 27, 2023

Work Session/Regular Session

BUDGET IMPACT:

FUNDING SOURCE:

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Adoption of Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budget

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: Following the public hearing held on June 20, 2023, the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget is hereby submitted for adoption by the Board of Commissioners. This budget will become effective July 1, 2023.

OPTIONS: 1. Adopt the Budget as presented.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt

DEPARTMENT: Finance

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Stephanie Black

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Resolution Making Designations Required by OCGA 36-66-5.1(c)

DATE OF MEETING: June 27, 2023

Work Session/Regular Session

BUDGET IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE:

- Annual
- Capital
- N/A
- SPLOST
- TSPLOST

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Resolution Making Designations Required by OCGA 36-66-5.1(c)

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: Changes in State Law regarding appeals of certain land use decisions take effect on July 1, 2023. Staff plans to address these new requirements in the July 11th meeting as part of the ULDC Text amendments. The attached resolution serves as a stop gap between July 1 and July 11, allowing us to meet the requirements of the State Law, until they can be adopted as part of the larger text amendments.

Specifically, in 2022, the Georgia General Assembly passed legislation that amends the zoning procedures law by clarifying the process for challenging and appealing certain land use decisions, and codifying the appeals process that existed prior to 2017. The legislation also requires local governments to designate a local government employee to receive notice of such appeals in a location that is open at normal business hours and located within the county. The attached resolution designates those person(s) as required by OCGA 36-66-5.1.

The attached resolution has been drafted by the County Attorney's office to help address the specific applicable requirements.

OPTIONS: 1) Adopt the resolution making designations required by OCGA.
2) Redirect

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt

DEPARTMENT: Planning/Zoning

DEPARTMENT HEAD: JD Dillard

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: