

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
PROPOSED AGENDA  
REGULAR SESSION, TUESDAY, May 12, 2020, 5:30 p.m.  
327 N. Ashley Street - 2nd Floor

\*To comply with the guidelines of the Center for Disease Control (CDC) in regard to the Coronavirus (COVID19) pandemic and social distancing, **face coverings (masks) are required for all meeting participants.**

1. **Call To Order**

2. **Invocation**

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

4. **Minutes For Approval**

- a. Regular Session - April 28, 2020

5. **For Consideration**

- a. FY 2021 Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant Application

Documents:

[FY 2021 JUVENILE JUSTICE INCENTIVE GRANT APPLICATION.PDF](#)

- b. Georgia Department Of Transportation - Transportation Investment Act Of 2010 Project Agreement (TIA) For Old US 41 Widening

Documents:

[GDOT - TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT ACT OF 2010 PROJECT AGREEMENT FOR OLD US 41 WIDENING.PDF](#)

- c. Adopt Resolution Accepting Infrastructure For Two Oaks At Bemiss

Documents:

[ADOPT RESOLUTION ACCEPTING INFRASTRUCTURE FOR TWO OAKS AT BEMISS.PDF](#)

6. **Bid**

- a. Lowndes County Hazard Mitigation Request For Proposal

Documents:

[LOWNDES COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL.PDF](#)

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

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: FY 2021 Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant Application

Regular Session

DATE OF MEETING: May 12, 2020

BUDGET IMPACT: \$330,854 - CJCC Funding

FUNDING SOURCE:

- ( ) Annual
- ( ) Capital
- (X) CJCC Funding - \$330,854
- ( ) SPLOST
- ( ) TSPLOST

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Request approval for the Chairman to sign all grant application documents and allow staff to submit the executed grant application to the CJCC for consideration.

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HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: In 2011, the Special Council on Criminal Justice Reform was formed to study Georgia's criminal justice system and was charged by Governor Nathan Deal with recommending policy changes. In keeping with Governor Deal's goal of increasing public safety through a more effective juvenile system, the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) and the Juvenile Justice Incentive Funding Committee has issued requests for proposals seeking local juvenile justice projects that aim to reduce the number of youth served out of home. This goal can be realized by using available grant funds to develop programs that address the needs of youth who are typically committed to the Department of Juvenile Justice.

Since July 2013, Lowndes County has been awarded funding to implement evidence based diversion programs through the Juvenile Court System which provide the Judge alternatives to confinement for offending youth which appear before the court. Since their implementation beginning in October 2013, the Juvenile Court has utilized these programs to refer hundreds of offending youth to either family therapy or group counseling programs as opposed to sending them off to a youth detention center. This has resulted in a costs savings to taxpayers but more importantly has hopefully been beneficial to the youths and their families by providing them with the guidance and direction they need to steer them back on a positive track and keep them from a lifetime in and out of the judicial system.

The CJCC has recently announced the availability of funding for the Fiscal Year 2021 Grant Cycle. The current funding opportunity allows applicants that were previously awarded funding to submit a proposal for continuation of their current programs. Based on projected numbers, derived by assessing data from previous years, Lowndes County is proposing to serve 64 youth through these grant funded programs during FY2021. Included as part of the application is an updated Memorandum of Understanding with Evidence Based Associates as the service provider for implementation of services and reporting requirements.

There will be no direct budget impact to Lowndes County as the grant covers 100% of the costs for program implementation up to the maximum grant award amount. However, the grant is a reimbursement grant which means that all costs associated with program implementation will be paid by Lowndes County and will be reimbursed upon the submission of appropriate documentation to the CJCC.

OPTIONS: 1. Authorize Chairman to sign application documents to be submitted by staff.  
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve

DEPARTMENT: Emergency Management

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Ashley Tye

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Georgia Department of Transportation - Transportation  
Investment Act of 2010 Project Agreement (TIA) for Old US 41 Widening

Regular Session

DATE OF MEETING: May 12, 2020

BUDGET IMPACT: 0

FUNDING SOURCE:

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

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Georgia DOT Transportation Investment Act of 2010  
Project Agreement (TIA) for Old US 41 Widening

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HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: The Georgia Department of Transportation has reviewed and approved the TIA Local Government Application for the Lowndes County Old US 41 Widening project. This agenda item is to authorize the Chairman through the resolution to execute the Local Agreement between the Georgia Department of Transportation and Lowndes County.

OPTIONS: 1. Authorize Chairman to sign the resolution  
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Board's pleasure

DEPARTMENT: Engineering

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Mike Fletcher

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Adopt Resolution accepting infrastructure for Two Oaks at Bemiss

Regular Session

DATE OF MEETING: May 12, 2020

BUDGET IMPACT: 0

FUNDING SOURCE:

( ) Annual

( ) Capital

(X) N/A

( ) SPLOST

( ) TSPLOST

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Adoption of Resolution accepting infrastructure for Two Oaks at Bemiss

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: Two Oaks at Bemiss is located on Case Point, off Old Pine Road. Engineering staff has made the final inspection of the project, and the work is substantially complete. A punch list of construction items to be addressed has been provided to the contractor, and the final paperwork is in process at the time of agenda submittal (punch list corrections, payment for street signs). The final plat will not be signed for recording until all paperwork is received. Attached is a letter requesting acceptance of infrastructure for this project.

OPTIONS: 1. Adopt the Resolution  
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt

DEPARTMENT: Engineering

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Mike Fletcher

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Lowndes County Hazard Mitigation Request for Proposal

Regular Session

DATE OF MEETING: May 12, 2020

BUDGET IMPACT: \$20,000.00 -FEMA

FUNDING SOURCE:

- ( ) Annual
- ( ) Capital
- (X) FEMA
- ( ) SPLOST
- ( ) TSPLOST

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Approve The Lowndes County Hazard Mitigation Request for Proposal.

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HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: FEMA requires that each jurisdiction update their Hazard Mitigation Plan every 5 years. Our current plan was approved in September 2016. To assist with the update process they provide funding to assist with the cost of conducting the required update. The funding will allow Lowndes County to be reimbursed for the cost of hiring a planning consultant to assist with facilitating the update process and developing the plan. Lowndes County recently requested pricing proposals from qualified contractors to perform the required update. The consultant will be responsible for handling all meetings with local stakeholders necessary to gather information needed to update the plan, compile the information into a plan using the format and matrix provided by the FEMA, and assist Lowndes County EMA with obtaining the required approvals form GEMA, FEMA and each of the local Governments within Lowndes County. Lowndes County received bids from 3 qualified consultants. Each proposal was objectively evaluated based on its technical merit as well as pricing.

OPTIONS: 1. Board's Pleasure.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Board's pleasure

DEPARTMENT: Finance

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Stephanie Black

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: