

## **2023 ULDC Text Amendment Summaries:**

**Amendment 1 Variances** – Increase the minimum findings for the granting of a variance from one condition to two

**Amendment 2 Code Lists** – Update the current applicable codes

**Amendment 3 Chickens** – The subject of chickens has arisen from multiple Code Enforcement cases of persons keeping chickens in mainly residential zoning districts, and a lack of standards for doing so, leading to nuisance complaints and civil disputes. Given the largely agrarian nature of Lowndes County, the increase in the keeping of chickens lead to the development of standards for the welfare of the animals and the community at large.

**Amendment 4 Time Measurement** – Align with current OCGA requirements

### **Amendment 5 Solar and Enforcement**

Solar – based on feedback from the County Attorney and Moody AFB we would like to hold off on the solar amendments at this time

Enforcement – Staff would still like to proceed in updating the enforcement and penalties sections of this amendment group. The updates are consistent with years of previous Lowndes County Code Enforcement actions and are proposed to apply to the entirety of the ULDC.

**Amendment 6 ZBOA OCGA** – Identify applicable leadership and/or staff per OCGA requirements

**Amendment 7 Day Cares** – The Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL) establishes the rules and regulations for Child Care Learning Centers (CCLC) and Family Child Care Learning Homes (FCCLH) throughout the state. Updates to the definitions and number of children allowed per the different types of licenses are clarified along with applicable Standards for Home Occupations.