

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE TRANSMITTAL OF THE COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION PROGRAM TO THE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER AND STATE FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT PURSUANT TO STATE OF GEORGIA LOCAL PLANNING REQUIREMENTS CHAPTER 110-12-1-.08

WHEREAS, a comprehensive plan is required for municipalities and counties in Georgia in order to maintain their Qualified Local Government Status; and

WHEREAS, the first step in a comprehensive planning process under Rules of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, Chapter 110-12-1, is to prepare a Community Assessment and a Community Participation Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sandy Springs, Georgia, has prepared a Community Assessment and Community Participation Program; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 110-12-1-.08 of said rules requires that the Community Assessment and Community Participation Program be submitted for regional and state review; and

WHEREAS, to authorize such review, a resolution of the Governing Body is required; and

WHEREAS, the Community Assessment and Community Participation Program have been prepared under the guidance of the Sandy Springs Comprehensive Plan Citizens Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Citizens Advisory Committee has held public meetings from July 2006 through December 2006, for purposes of providing input to the Community Assessment and Community Participation Program; and

WHEREAS, during meetings of the Citizens Advisory Committee, opportunities for public comment were provided, and public testimony was received at such meetings and taken into account in the drafting of said documents; and

WHEREAS, the Citizens Advisory Committee conducted two community meetings, held November 29, 2006, at Riverwood High School, and November 30, 2006, at Sandy Springs City Hall, during which public testimony was invited and received; and

WHEREAS, the Sandy Springs Planning Commission considered the Community Assessment and Community Participation Program and provided a recommendation during its regular meeting on December 21, 2006, during which public testimony was invited and received; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council held a work session on this matter on January 9, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council held an advertised public hearing during its regular meeting on January 16, 2007, the purpose of which was to brief the community on the potential issues and opportunities identified through the Community Assessment, obtain input on the proposed Community Participation Program, and notify the community of when these plan components will be transmitted to the Atlanta Regional Commission; and

WHEREAS, notices of all of the meetings referenced above were given in advance; and

WHEREAS, drafts of the Community Assessment have been made available to the public on the City's website; and

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WHEREAS, press releases about the comprehensive planning process in Sandy Springs have been provided during the preparation of these documents;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sandy Springs, Georgia, as follows:

1.

It is hereby authorized that the Community Assessment and Community Participation Program, dated January 2, 2007, which has been revised to reflect the recommendations of the Sandy Springs Comprehensive Plan Citizens Advisory Committee and the Sandy Springs Planning Commission, shall be submitted for regional and state review in accordance with Chapter 110-12-1-.08 of the Rules of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs.

2.

The City of Sandy Springs hereby submits the Community Assessment and Community Participation Program to the Atlanta Regional Commission in order for it to prepare a completeness check, review the Community Assessment for adequacy, and a report of findings and recommendations, and respectfully requests its favorable determinations.

3.

The City of Sandy Springs respectfully requests that the Georgia Department of Community Affairs review the Community Participation Program for adequacy and requests its favorable determination.

4.

Upon review by the Atlanta Regional Commission and Georgia Department of Community Affairs, it is hereby resolved that the appropriate city staff is directed to publicize the Community Assessment and Community Participation Program, which shall at minimum include notice in a newspaper of general circulation identifying where complete copies of the Community Assessment and Community Participation Program may be reviewed.

RESOLVED this 16 day of January 2007.

Approved:

Eva Galambos

Eva Galambos, Mayor

Attest:

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