

ORDINANCE NO. 26 - _____

AN ORDINANCE OF POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA ADOPTING **LDCPAS-2026-8**, AN AMENDMENT TO THE POLK COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ORDINANCE 92-36, AS AMENDED, MODIFYING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP DESIGNATION ON 29.62± ACRES FROM RESIDENTIAL LOW (RL) TO INSTITUTIONAL (INST) IN THE URBAN GROWTH AREA (UGA). THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS LOCATED ON EAST OF KATHLEEN ROAD, NORTH OF WHEELER ROAD, SOUTH OF HILEMAN DRIVE, SOUTH OF DUFF ROAD, NORTHWEST OF THE CITY OF LAKE LAND, SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 27, RANGE 23; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VIII, Section I(g) of the Constitution of the State of Florida and the Community Planning Act, Chapter 163, Part II, Florida Statutes (FS), as amended, (the Act) Polk County is authorized and required to adopt a Comprehensive Plan (Plan); and

WHEREAS, Section 163.3187, FS, and Comprehensive Plan Section 4.305.B, provides for the approval of Small-Scale Comprehensive Plan Amendments; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 163.3174, FS, the Local Planning Authority (Planning Commission) conducted a public hearing, with due public notice having been provided, on the proposed Plan revisions on July 8, 2026; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 163.3187(2), FS, the Board of County Commissioners conducted an adoption public hearing, with due public notice having been provided, on the proposed Plan revisions on August 18, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners reviewed and considered all comments received during said public hearing, and provided for necessary revisions; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Polk County Board of County Commissioners:

SECTION 1: COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

The Future Land Use Map of Ordinance No. 92-36, as amended, (the “Polk County Comprehensive Plan”) is hereby amended to reflect a change in the Future Land Use

designation on an approximately 29.62 acres from Residential Low (RL) to Institutional (INST) on the parcel listed below and graphically depicted on the parcel map in Attachment “A”.

North 3/4 of the southwest 1/4 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 16, Township 27 south, Range 23 east.

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SECTION 2: SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Ordinance is held to be illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction the other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3: EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall be effective on September 19, 2026 (31 days after adoption), unless the amendment is challenged. If challenged, the effective date of this ordinance shall be the date a Final Order is issued by the Department of Economic Opportunity or Administration Commission finding the amendment in compliance in accordance with Section 163.3184 (1)(b), Florida Statutes. No development orders, development permits, or land uses dependent upon this amendment, as described on the attached map of proposed land uses, may be issued or commence before it has become effective.

SECTION 4: FILING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE:

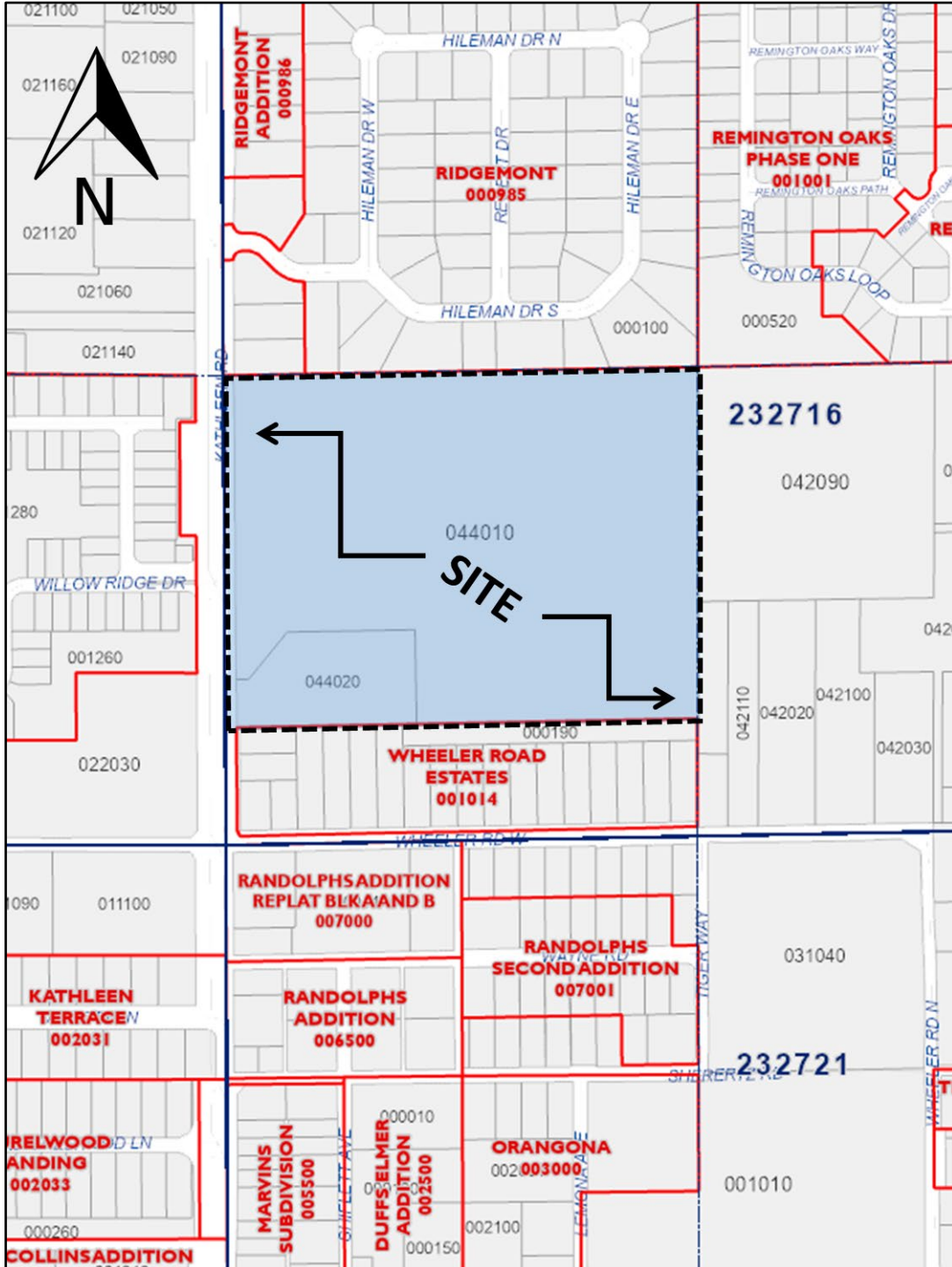
The Clerk and Auditor to the Board of County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, shall file a certified copy of this ordinance with the Department of State, through the Secretary of State, upon adoption by the Board of County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida.

ADOPTED, in open session of the Polk County Board of County Commissioners with a quorum present and voting this 18th day of August 2026.

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Location: East of Kathleen Road, north of Wheeler Road, south of Hileman Drive, south of Duff Road, northwest of the city of Lakeland, Section 16, Township 27, Range 23.

Section-16 Township-27 Range-23



PARCEL DETAIL

Note: Not to Scale