

**ORDINANCE NO. 26 - \_\_\_\_**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGARDING THE ADOPTION OF AMENDMENT **LDCPAS-2026-4**; AN AMENDMENT TO THE POLK COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; ORDINANCE 92-36, AS AMENDED TO CHANGE THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION ON 39± ACRES FROM PHOSPHATE MINING (PM) TO AGRICULTURAL/RESIDENTIAL RURAL (A/RR). THE SUBJECT SITE IS LOCATED SOUTH OF HUTCHINS ROAD, WEST OF OLD BOWLING GREEN ROAD, SOUTHWEST OF THE CITY OF FORT MEADE IN SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 32, RANGE 25; 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 May 6, 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 June 16, 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 a 39+/- acre site from Phosphate Mining (PM) to Agriculture/Residential Rural (A/RR) on the parcel listed below and graphically depicted on the parcel map in Attachment “A”.

Described as: A PORTION OF LAND(S) LYING IN SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 32 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS: THE SOUTHEAST ¼ OF THE SOUTHEAST ¼ OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 32 SOUTH , RANGE 25 EAST.

Including all of or a portions of the following parcels:

- 253217-486950-000070,
- 253217-486950-000060,
- 253217-486950-000050,
- 253217-486950-000040,
- 253217-486950-000030,
- 253217-486950-000020,
- 253217-486950-000010,

and a portion of parcel (253217-486950-000080):

**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 July 17, 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 Commerce 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 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 2026.

**ATTACHMENT "A"**

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**Location:** South of Hutchins Road, west of Old Bowling Green Road, southwest of the City of Fort Meade in Section 17, Township 32, Range 25.

**Section-17 Township-32 Range-25**



**PARCEL DETAIL**

*Note: Not to Scale*