

## RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LOWNDES COUNTY SITTING AS THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF LOWNDES COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING THE AMOUNT IT BELIEVES TO BE JUST COMPENSATION FOR THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY ALONG COOPER ROAD, LOWNDES COUNTY, GA, FOR RIGHT OF WAY, DRAINAGE EASEMENT, AND OTHER PUBLIC PURPOSES AND TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE THE ACQUISITION OF SUCH REAL PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners seeks to acquire 3156 +/- sq. ft. of fee simple right of way which property is described on the attached plat of "County Road Right-of-Way for Cooper Road" and 1500.17 +/- sq. ft. for a drainage easement which property is described on the attached plat of "Drainage Easement for Cooper Road," for transportation and other public purposes along Cooper Road, Lowndes County, Georgia (collectively, the "Property") through, if at all reasonably possible, negotiations and agreement between the County and the owner of the Property;

WHEREAS, as required by O.C.G.A. §22-1-9(2), before initiating negotiations with the Property's owner, for its acquisition, the Board of Commissioners has had an independent appraisal of the Property performed by Bajalia & Associates, LLC (the "Appraisal") which Appraisal finds the Property has a value of \$339.00 (the "Appraised Value");

WHEREAS, as required by O.C.G.A. §22-1-9(3), before initiating negotiations to acquire the Property, the Board of Commissioners wishes first to establish the amount which it believes to be just compensation for the Property;

WHEREAS, as also required by O.C.G.A. §22-1-9(3), the Board of Commissioners once it has established an amount which it believes to be just compensation for the Property desires to then make a written offer to acquire the Property for the full amount of such just compensation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Lowndes County, that after review of the Appraisal and discussion, the Board of Commissioners finds that just compensation to the owner of the Property for its acquisition by the Board of Commissioners to be \$339.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Manager or his designee and/or the Office of the County Attorney shall on behalf of the Board of Commissioners make a written offer to the owner of the Property to acquire the Property for a total of \$339.00, and to further otherwise undertake every reasonable effort to lawfully acquire the Property expeditiously by negotiation, agreement, and purchase for an amount no less than such amount; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Manager or his designee and/or the Office of the County Attorney shall on behalf of the Board of Commissioners take such other and further actions in making every reasonable effort to lawfully acquire, and to so acquire, the Property expeditiously by negotiation, agreement, and purchase.