

DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2026- ____

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPOINTING ONE ALTERNATE MEMBER TO THE DESOTO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION AND BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT; PROVIDING FOR CURRENT MEMBER INFORMATION; PROVIDEING FOR APPOINTMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Divisions 2 and 3 of Article X “Boards and Agencies,” of Chapter 20 of the DeSoto County Land Development Regulations (LDR) establish provisions regarding the Planning Commission and the Board of Adjustment; and

WHEREAS, LDR Section 20-1250(a) establishes a Planning Commission consisting of five members appointed by the Board of County Commissioners, each for a term of four years; and one nonvoting member appointed by the DeSoto County School Board; and

WHEREAS, LDR Section 20-1250(e) provides for the Board of County Commissioners to appoint two alternate members to the Planning Commission that serve in the absence of any member or members of the Planning Commission, each for a term of two years; and

WHEREAS, LDR Section 20-1278 provides the Planning Commission serves as the Board of Adjustment; and

WHEREAS, LDR Section 20-1250 no member of the Planning Commission except the School Board appointee shall hold any elective office or be employed by any local government within DeSoto County, and that no more than two members of the Planning Commission shall be of the same business, trade, or profession; and

WHEREAS, the current members of the Planning Commission are Bill Martin (Construction), Erik Howard (Engineer), Allen Reesor (Retired Theology, Philosophy, & Research), Lynn Banish (Retired Public Servant), Theresa Collins-Hill (Business Owner), and Jami Schueneman (School Board appointee); and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Bowser (non-profit Executive Director), has submitted a resume and letter of interest to serve as an alternate member of the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners hereby deems it necessary for continuity of service to adopt a resolution indicating current members, and appointing one alternate member; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds adoption of this resolution is in the best interest of the residents of DeSoto County, Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. That the foregoing “WHEREAS” clauses are ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby incorporated by reference as part of this Resolution.

Section 2. Appointments. That the DeSoto County Board of County Commissioners hereby appoints:

Jennifer Bowser to serve as an alternate member to the Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment for the term to begin 06/09/2026 and expire on 06/09/2028;

Section 3. Effective Date. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of June, 2026

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Mandy Hines
County Administrator

By: _____
Steve Hickox
Chairperson

By: _____
Valerie Vicente
County Attorney