

**DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
**ORDINANCE 2026- \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING ATLAS FOR A +/- 5.07 ACRE LOT FROM AGRICULTURAL – 5 (A-5) TO RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY-2 (RSF-2) FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SW REESE STREET AND SW LETTUCE LAKE AVENUE WITH PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER BEING 23-39-23-0010-0000-0010; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the subject property is owned by R. D. Welch Company and consists of a +/- 5.07-acre property generally located in southwest DeSoto County, located at the southeast corner of SW Reese Street and SW Lettuce Lake Avenue, the Property Identification Number being 23-39-23-0010-0000-0010 (Exhibit A); and

**WHEREAS**, the Interim 2040 Future Land Use Map shows the +/- 5.07-acre parcel is designated Low Density Residential Future Land Use Category (Exhibit B); and

**WHEREAS**, an Official Zoning District Atlas amendment application was filed with the Development Department, to change the zoning district of the property from Agricultural -5 (A-5) to Residential Single Family-2 (RSF-2) (Exhibit C); and

**WHEREAS**, consistent with LDR Sections 20-1497 and 20-1498, the Development Director prepared a Development Review Report addressing the factors the Planning Commission must consider when making a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners on an Official Zoning District Atlas amendment application; and

**WHEREAS**, consistent with LDR Section 20-1502, the Development Director caused a duly noticed public hearing to be published at least ten calendar days before the June 2, 2026 , Planning Commission meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, at the June 2, 2026 Planning Commission hearing, the Commission entered into the record the Development Review Report and all other competent substantial evidence presented at the hearing, adopted the findings and conclusions contained therein, and forwarded the record to the Board of County Commissioners with a recommendation that the proposed Ordinance be adopted as presented; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 23, 2026 , the DeSoto Board of County Commissioners (Board) held a duly noticed public hearing on application number RZNE-0080-2026, and the Board considered the Development Review Report and recommendation, the Planning Commission recommendation and all substantial competent evidence presented at the Planning Commission hearing, all other competent substantial evidence presented at the Board public hearings, and determined that the application complies with the DeSoto County Comprehensive Plan, the Land Development Regulations and all other applicable regulations; and

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

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

**Section 1.** *Incorporation.* The foregoing “WHEREAS” clauses are ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby incorporated by reference as part of this Ordinance. In addition, the Development Review Report is the findings and conclusions to support the adoption of this ordinance and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Section 2.** *Property description.* A +/- 5.07-acre property generally located in southwest DeSoto County, on SW Reese Street, the Property Identification Number being 23-39-23-0010-0000-0010.

**Section 3.** *Rezoning approval.* R. D. Welch Company, owner, is hereby granted an Official Zoning District Atlas amendment (RZNE-0080-2026) changing the zoning district of the aforementioned +/- 5.07-acre property from Agricultural -5 (A-5) to Residential Single Family-2 (RSF-2).

**Section 4.** The Development Department is hereby directed to amend the Official Zoning District Atlas to codify the change approved by this Ordinance.

**Section 5.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

**PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED** in DeSoto County, Florida this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2026.

**ATTEST:**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mandy J. Hines  
County Administrator

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Steve Hickox, Chair  
Board of County Commissioners

**Approved as to Form and Correctness:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Valerie Vicente,  
County Attorney

# Exhibit A: Location Map





