

Upon motion by Alderman Bisher and seconded by Alderman Sawyer,
and the vote being unanimous, this Resolution was passed at its first reading on October
~~14~~ 17, 2008.

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Edward E. Towns
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Mayor, City of Cochran

ATTEST:

Matt Turknett
Matt Turknett, City Clerk
City of Cochran

(CITY SEAL)

Willie Basby
Willie Basby

Charles C. Cranford
Charles Cranford

David Sawyer
David Sawyer

Gary Atts
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Leo Mullis
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Eric Bisher
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WHEREAS, the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 requires all local governments in Georgia to prepare a comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Community Affairs has established "Local Planning Requirements" under the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 for coordinated and comprehensive planning, including standards and procedures for the preparation of local comprehensive plans and their partial update, public participation, and coordinated review; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cochran, Georgia has participated with Bleckley County in a coordinated and comprehensive planning process under the Georgia Planning Act of 1989, and the Local Planning Requirements through the Bleckley County Joint Comprehensive Plan Government Committee, and with the assistance of the Heart of Georgia Altamaha Regional Development Center, to prepare a required partial update to its existing adopted comprehensive plan;

WHEREAS, this coordinated and comprehensive planning process has resulted in *The Joint Bleckley County Comprehensive Plan Partial Update (2008)*, including a separate "Five-Year Short-Term Work Program" for the City of Cochran in this plan update;

WHEREAS, this *Partial Update* has been previously submitted to the Heart of Georgia Altamaha Regional Development Center and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs for official review; and

WHEREAS, *The Joint Bleckley County Comprehensive Plan Partial Update (2008)*, has now been certified by this review as adequately addressing the Local Planning Requirements and meeting all requirements as established by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs under the Georgia Planning Act of 1989; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cochran is now desirous of adopting *The Joint Bleckley County Comprehensive Plan Partial Update (2008)*, as part of its official comprehensive plan under the Georgia Planning Act of 1989, and as a general policy guide to its future growth and development;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Cochran hereby approves and adopts *The Joint Bleckley County Comprehensive Plan Partial Update (2008)*, as part of Bleckley County's official local comprehensive plan under the Georgia Planning Act of 1989, as amended, and thus updating its existing comprehensive plan adopted in 1991.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Cochran hereby instructs and directs that formal notification of said adoption be forwarded to the Heart of Georgia Altamaha Regional Development Center, the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, and to other agencies, as appropriate.

SO RESOLVED, this 17th day of September, 2008.