

GREATER LOWNDES PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
325 WEST SAVANNAH AVENUE
Monday, February 24, 2025 – 5:30 PM

GLPC Commission Members Present: Ron Bythwood, George Foreman, Calvin Graham, Ed Hightower, James Miller (Vice-Chair), Vicki Rountree, Chris Webb, Chip Wildes

Absent: Franklin Bailey, Steve Miller, Tommy Willis

Staff: Matt Martin, City of Valdosta/Hahira Planning Director; Molly Stevenson, Lowndes County Planning Analyst (Clerk)

VISITORS PRESENT:

(Sign-In sheet available in file.)

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice-Chairman James Miller called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Foreman gave the Invocation. Vice-Chairman Miller welcomed everyone to the GLPC meeting and explained that the Planning Commission serves as an advisory (recommending) body to the local member governments regarding land use requests, and the final determination of the requests presented at this meeting will be made by the applicable local governments. Vice-Chairman Miller then explained the meeting procedures and announced the dates of the public hearings for the local member governments, as listed on the agenda.

Agenda Item #2

Approval of the Meeting Minutes: November 25, 2024

Vice-Chairman Miller called for additions, questions, and corrections of the January 27, 2025, GLPC meeting minutes. There being no additions, questions or corrections to the January 27, 2025, GLPC meeting minutes, Vice-Chairman Miller called for a motion. Commissioner Bythwood made a motion to approve the January 27, 2025, meeting minutes as presented. Commissioner Wildes second. All voted in favor, no one opposed (7-0). Motion carried.

Agenda Item #3

CU-2025-03 Valdosta-Lowndes County Development Authority (1804 Bimbo QSR Blvd)
CUP for a Plastics Manufacturing facility in an M-1 zoning district

Mr. Martin presented the case in which, on behalf of Utility Plastics, LLC, the applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for a Plastics Manufacturing facility (heavy manufacturing) in a Light Industrial (M-1) zoning district. The subject property consists of 9.92 acres located at 1804 Bimbo QSR Blvd, which is along the north side of the road about 950 feet west of South St Augustine Road. This is