Subject: Invitation to Join the Zoning Districts Stakeholder Committee for the Effingham County Ordinance Rewrite

We are writing to inform you that Development Services is in the process of revising **Article IV – Zoning Districts of the Effingham County Ordinance**. We recognize the significance of this revision and the impact it will have on our community, its residents, and stakeholders. To ensure this ordinance reflects the needs and best interests of Effingham County, we are seeking collaboration with individuals and organizations who share a vested interest in the success of this update.

In this regard, we would like to formally invite you to join the **Zoning Districts Stakeholder Committee**. As a stakeholder, your insights, feedback, and suggestions are invaluable to the success of this effort. Stakeholders are those individuals, groups, and organizations who are directly impacted by or have a meaningful interest in the outcomes of this project. Effective collaboration with stakeholders is key to making informed decisions, identifying potential opportunities, and ensuring sustainable and positive change for the County.

As a member of this committee, we ask that you review and provide feedback on the draft ordinance, including any proposed additions, deletions, or modifications. Your expertise and perspective will help ensure that the final document is well-informed, balanced, and in the best interest of all parties involved.

Kickoff Meeting Details:

Date: December 10, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Location: 804 South Laurel Street, Springfield, GA 31329

At this initial meeting, we will:

- Introduce participants and discuss expectations for collaboration.
- **Outline the purpose** of the zoning districts rewrite and the goals for the process.
- Provide an overview of the **project timeline** and key **milestones**.
- Discuss action items and assign specific tasks.
- Address potential **issues and risks** associated with the project and explore solutions.
- Define **next steps**, including scheduling follow-up meetings and setting future goals.

Your involvement in this process is crucial to ensuring the success of the revised ordinance, and we truly hope you will be able to participate. Together, we can make informed, thoughtful decisions that will positively shape the future of Effingham County. Please confirm your attendance by **November 19, 2024**, or feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions or need further information.

We look forward to your partnership in this important project.

Sincerely, Kimberly Barlett Community Planner Effingham County Development Services