

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-2367
CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA

1 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, PURSUANT TO**
2 **PETITION NO. ANX 26-03, SUBMITTED BY ELIZABETH STEELY, RELATING**
3 **TO VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION; ANNEXING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY**
4 **LOCATED IN COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, WHICH IS REASONABLY**
5 **COMPACT, AND CONTIGUOUS TO THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF**
6 **LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, INTO THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY,**
7 **FLORIDA; MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS OF FACT IN SUPPORT THEREOF;**
8 **PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT;**
9 **PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

10 **WHEREAS**, Section 166.021, Florida Statutes, as amended, empowers the City Council of the City
11 of Lake City, Florida, (the “City Council”), to annex real property into the corporate boundaries of
12 the City of Lake City, Florida, (the “City”); and

13 **WHEREAS**, Sections 171.011 through 171.094, Florida Statutes, as amended, the Municipal
14 Annexation or Contraction Act, empowers the City Council to annex real property into the
15 corporate boundaries of the City, pursuant to a petition voluntarily filed by the owner of certain
16 real property; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Elizabeth Steely, the owner of certain real property more particularly described herein
18 below (the “Real Property”), has petitioned that the same be voluntarily annexed and
19 incorporated into the boundaries of the City; now therefore

20 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the People of the City of Lake City, Florida:

21 1. Pursuant to a petition, ANX 26-03, by Elizabeth Steely, the owner of the Real Property, said
22 Real Property being described below and depicted on Schedule A: Location Map, attached
23 hereto and incorporated as part of this ordinance, which Real Property is contiguous to the
24 existing boundaries of the City and is reasonably compact, has petitioned the City to have
25 said Real Property annexed into the City:

26 **A parcel of land lying in Section 33, Township 3 South, Range 16 East, Columbia**
27 **County, Florida. Being more particularly described as follows:**

28 **Commence at the Southeast corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of**
29 **said Section 33; thence North 05°50’28” East, along the East line of said Section**
30 **33, being also the centerline of Turner Road, 150.61 feet; thence North 89°21’20”**
31 **West 30.12 feet to the Westerly right-of-way line of said Turner Road and the**
32 **Point of Beginning; thence continue North 89°21’20” East 285.00 feet; thence**

33 **North 05°25'44" East 162.82 feet; thence South 84°09'32" East 285.00 feet to the**
34 **Westerly right-of-way line of Turner Road; thence South 05°50'28" West, along**
35 **said Westley right-of-way line of Turner Road 137.00 feet to the Point of**
36 **Beginning.**

37 **Containing 0.98 acre, more or less.**

- 38 2. The City Council finds the petition bears the signatures of all owners of the Real Property in
39 the area proposed to be annexed.
- 40 3. The City Council finds the Real Property is presently contiguous to the boundaries of the City,
41 meets the criteria established by Chapter 171, Florida Statutes, as amended, and should be
42 annexed to the boundaries of the City.
- 43 4. The Real Property is hereby annexed to the boundaries of the City, and in every way is a part
44 of the City.
- 45 5. The boundaries of the City are hereby redefined to include the Real Property.
- 46 6. Annexation. The Real Property shall continue to be classified as follows: COMMERCIAL under
47 the land use classifications as designated on the Future Land Use Plan Map of the Columbia
48 County Comprehensive Plan and classified as COMMERCIAL, INTENSIVE (CI) under the zoning
49 districts as designated on the Official Zoning Atlas of the Columbia County Land Development
50 Regulations until otherwise changed or amended by appropriate ordinance of the City.
- 51 7. Effective January 1, 2027, all real property lying within the boundaries of the City, as hereby
52 redefined, shall be assessed for payment of municipal ad valorem taxes, and shall be subject
53 to all general and special assessments.
- 54 8. All persons who have been lawfully engaged in any occupation, business, trade or profession,
55 within the area, described in Section 1 above, upon the effective date of this ordinance under
56 a valid license or permit issued by the County and all other necessary state or federal
57 regulatory agencies, may continue such occupation, business, trade or profession within the
58 entire boundaries of the City, as herein defined, upon securing a valid occupational license
59 from the City, which shall be issued upon payment of the appropriate fee, without the
60 necessity of taking or passing any additional examination or test which otherwise is required
61 relating to the qualification of such occupations, businesses, trades or professions.
- 62 9. The City Clerk is hereby directed to file, within seven (7) days following the effective date of
63 this ordinance, a certified copy of this ordinance with the following:
- 64 a) Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida;
- 65 b) Florida Office of Economic and Demographic Research, Tallahassee, Florida;
- 66 c) Clerk of the Circuit Court of Columbia County;
- 67 d) Chief Administrative Officer of Columbia County;

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- 68 e) Property Appraiser of Columbia County;
69 f) Tax Collector of Columbia County; and
70 g) All public utilities authorized to conduct business within the City.
- 71 10. Severability. It is the declared intent of the City Council that if any section, sentence, clause,
72 phrase, or provision of this ordinance is for any reason held or declared to be
73 unconstitutional, void, or inoperative by a court or agency of competent jurisdiction, such
74 holding of invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the remaining provisions of this
75 ordinance and the remainder of this ordinance, after the exclusion of such part or parts, shall
76 be deemed to be valid.
- 77 11. Conflict. All ordinances and resolutions, or parts of ordinances and resolutions in conflict
78 with this ordinance are, to the extent they conflict with this ordinance, repealed.
- 79 12. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective on the date of final adoption by the City
80 Council of the City of Lake City, Florida.

APPROVED, UPON FIRST READING, by the City Council of the City of Lake City at a regular meeting,
on the _____ day of _____ 2026.

PUBLICLY NOTICED, in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Lake City, Florida, by the
City Clerk of the City of Lake City, Florida on the 9th of April 2026 and 16th day of April 2026.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED UPON SECOND READING, by an affirmative vote of a majority of a
quorum present of the City Council of the City of Lake City, at a regular meeting this _____ day
of _____ 2026.

BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY,
FLORIDA

Noah E. Walker, Mayor

ATTEST, BY THE CLERK OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA:

Audrey E. Sikes, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Clay Martin, City Attorney

Schedule A: Location Map

