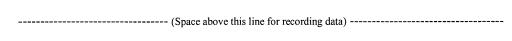
Prepared by/Return to: J. Steven Southwell 501 W. Main Street Wauchula, Florida 33873



ACCESS AND UTILITY EASEMENT

this ACCESS AND UTILITY EASEMENT (this "Easement") is made this ______ day of ______, 2025, by HIGHER DEVELOPMENT, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, whose address is 202 N. 6th Avenue, Wauchula, Florida 33873 (hereafter, "GRANTOR"), to the CITY OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA, a municipal corporation formed under the laws of the State of Florida, whose address is 126 S. 7th Avenue, Wauchula, Florida 33873 (hereafter, "CITY").

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, GRANTOR owns certain lands referenced as Parcel Nos. 04-34-25-5300-00000-0001, 04-34-25-5300-00000-0002, 04-34-25-5300-00000-0003 and 04-34-25-5300-00000-0004 (the "Property") located at Oak Street, City of Wauchula, in Hardee County, Florida.

WHEREAS, to obtain wastewater and electric utility services to the Property, the GRANTOR is willing to grant a fifteen-foot (15') wide easement upon that portion of the GRANTOR'S Property as more particularly described in Exhibit "A" appended hereto and incorporated herein (the "Easement Area").

ACCORDINGLY, for and in consideration of the Recitals set forth above and incorporated herein and other valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged by the parties, GRANTOR and CITY agree as follows:

SECTION 1. CONVEYANCE OF EASEMENT.

- (a) The GRANTOR voluntarily grants to the CITY, and its successors and assigns, a perpetual non-exclusive wastewater facilities and underground electric distribution facilities easement over, under, through, and across the real property described and depicted in Exhibit "A", a copy of which is attached to and incorporated in this Easement, for the purpose of installing, accessing, and if necessary replacing wastewater lines and underground electric distribution lines, with authority and rights of ingress and egress to enter upon repair, maintain, operate, and inspect as the CITY may deem reasonably necessary, for the purpose of transmitting wastewater and electricity through said utility facilities over, upon, across and under the Easement Area.
- (b) The CITY shall have the right to clear and keep clear all trees, undergrowth, and other obstructions that may interfere with normal operation or maintenance of the utility facilities, and the GRANTOR agrees not to build, construct, or create, nor permit others to build, construct, or create any buildings or other structures on the Easement Area that may obstruct or interfere with

the normal operation or maintenance of the utility facilities. The CITY covenants and agrees that its use of the Easement Area shall not interfere with the continued use of the Property.

- (c) GRANTOR covenants that it has the right to grant the privileges and easement stated herein, and further covenants that CITY shall have quiet and peaceful possession, use and enjoyment of said Easement Area.
- **SECTION 2. RESTORATION.** In the event CITY shall perform any construction, repairs, alteration, replacement, relocation or removal of any facilities located within the Easement Area, CITY shall thereafter restore the Easement Area to as near as practicable the condition which existed prior to such construction, repairs, alteration, replacement, relocation or removal.
- **SECTION 3. ABANDONMENT.** In the event CITY shall abandon the use of the Easement, then CITY shall as condition of acceptance of the Easement, within a reasonable time thereafter, release and convey to GRANTOR or its successors and assigns all rights hereby granted pursuant to this Easement.
- **SECTION 4. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS.** The rights, privileges and reservations herein provided shall inure to the benefit of the GRANTOR'S and CITY's respective successors and assigns.
- SECTION 5. MISCELLANEOUS. This Easement (i) shall be recorded by the CITY; (ii) constitutes the entire agreement between the parties; (iii) may not be amended except by an instrument signed by the parties; and (iv) shall be governed by the laws of the Florida.
- **SECTION 6. COOPERATION.** Each party shall, on the request of the other party, execute and deliver any instrument, furnish any information or perform any other act reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions of this Easement without undue delay, so long as the performance of such acts will not require the cooperation party to incur unreasonable costs and expenses. The obligations under this section include, but are not limited to, performance of such acts as might be reasonably necessary to facilitate the subordination of any liens on either party's property that are or might be senior to this Easement, provided that the party requesting any such subordination bear the cost of securing the same.

[Signature Pages Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the GRANTOR and CITY have hereto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered	GRANTOR
before these witnesses:	
	Higher Development, LLC, a Florida limited liability company
	By: 7-1/16
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Print Name: J. Steven Southwell	Title: Manager
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online notarization, this day of day of	
	LLC, a Florida limited liability company, on behalf
	patty known to me or [] has produced
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CITY OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA, a municipal corporation

ATTEST:	APPROVED:
Holly Smith, City Clerk	Richard Keith Nadasky, Jr., Mayor
STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HARDEE	
or [] online notarization, this Keith Nadasky, Jr., as Mayor on behalf	cknowledged before me by means of [] physical presence day of 2025, by Richard of the City of Wauchula, a Florida municipal corporation as produced as
(Seal)	Signature of Notary Public
	Name of Notary Typed, Printed or Stamped
Approved as to Form & Legality	
City Attorney	

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DESCRIPTION OF EASEMENT:

A 15 foot wide Utility Easement being a portion of Fractional Block 2 of the Original Survey of the City of Wauchula, Florida lying West of Heard Bridge Road, Hardee County, Florida recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 29 of the Public Records of DeSoto County, Florida of which Hardee County was formerly a part, and rerecorded in Plat Book 3, Page 1-29 B, now known as Plat Bar A-22 of the Public Records of Hardee County, Florida being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Northeast corner of the Southeast ¼ of Section 4, Township 34 South, Range 25 East, Hardee County, Florida; thence S 89°07'54" W along the North line of said Southeast ¼ also being the North line of said fractional Block 2 a distance of 30.00 feet to the West right of way of Heard Bridge Road; thence S 00°18'41" W along said West right of way a distance of 45.95 feet for the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence S 77°44'02" W a distance of 78.64 feet; thence N 11°47'37" W a distance of 62.62 feet to said North line; thence S 89°07'54" W along said North line a distance of 15.28 feet; thence S 11°47'37" E a distance of 65.64 feet; thence S 77°44'02" W a distance of 2.18 feet; thence N 89°03'48" W a distance of 69.80 feet to the East right of way of Fourth Avenue; thence S 11°47'54" E along said East right of way a distance of 15.38 feet; thence S 89°03'48" E a distance of 64.87 feet; thence S 11°47'37" E a distance of 67.49 feet to the North right of way of Oak Street; thence N 77°44'02" E along said North right of way a distance of 15.00 feet; thence N 11°47'37" W a distance of 66.74 feet; thence N 77°44'02" E a distance of 82.40 feet to said West right of way; thence N 00°18'41" E along said West right of way a distance of 15.37 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

