

Baldwin County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
April 21, 2020
6:00 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Baldwin County Commissioners was held Tuesday, April 21, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., by conference call, Milledgeville, Georgia with Chair Henry Craig presiding.

County Clerk Cindy Cunningham called the roll.

Members Present: Henry Craig
Tommy French
Emily C. Davis
Sammy Hall
John Westmoreland

Also Present: Carlos Tobar
David McRee
Dawn Hudson
Cindy Cunningham
Cindy Bush

Call to Order

Chair Henry Craig called the April 21, 2020 Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Authorization for Meetings by Conference Call

Commissioner Sammy Hall made a motion to authorize the use of a conference call for the April 21, 2020, Board of Commissioners Meeting and any subsequent official meetings during the local state of emergency. Commissioner John Westmoreland seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously by the following rollcall vote:

Aye: French, Davis, Hall, Westmoreland,

Opening Remarks by Chair and Update on Coronavirus

Chair Craig stated anyone with questions or comments regarding the April 21st meeting should submit them to the County Manager by email.

Chair Craig provide an update on the Coronavirus and the Governor's Executive Order re-opening medical facilities, businesses such as beauty salons, and gyms on Friday and dine in for restaurants on Monday. He discussed the conditions provided in the Governor's Executive Order for businesses to re-open and requirements for citizens in order to stop the spread of the virus. Chair Craig concluded by stating the Shelter in Place continues for all citizens until April 30th and for senior citizens and those that are most vulnerable until May 13th or until further notice by the Governor. He encouraged citizens to shelter in place, keep social distance of 6', practice good hygiene by washing hands frequently and stay home if you are sick. Chair Craig concluded that the Governor's Order included the directive that cities and counties can do nothing less or more restrictive than the State Order.

Suspension of Public Participation Ordinance

Commissioner Sammy Hall made a motion to suspend the Public Participation Ordinance at meetings during the local state of emergency. Commissioner John Westmoreland seconded the motion and it passed by the following rollcall vote:

Aye: French, Davis, Hall, Westmoreland

Amendment to Agenda

Commissioner John Westmoreland made a motion to amend the Agenda to add a Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Juvenile Justice and Baldwin County. Commissioner Sammy Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously by the following roll call vote:

Aye: French, Davis, Hall, Westmoreland

Resolution Authorizing Amendments to the Service Delivery Strategy (SDS)

County Attorney McRee presented a Joint Resolution with the City of Milledgeville authorizing the resubmission of certain SDS documents that were previously submitted to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA). He explained that DCA made comments on the initial submission of the SDS which required minor revisions to forms, i.e., verbiage, consistency in titles, checking appropriate sections of forms, etc. He stated DCA comments and required revisions were sent to the City for their review and approval. The City Attorney and City Manager have stated their concurrence with the recommended revisions. He reported the Resolution will be on the City's April 28th Agenda for their consideration.

Commissioner John Westmoreland made a motion to adopt the Joint Resolution as presented authorizing amendments to the Service Delivery Strategy for resubmission to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs and to authorize the Chair to sign the Resolution. Vice Chair Tommy French seconded the motion and it passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: French, Davis, Hall, Westmoreland

A copy of the Resolution is herewith attached and made an official part of the minutes at pages _____ and _____.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson presented an Amendment to a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Department of Juvenile Justice and Baldwin County for the extension of the current term ending June 30, 2020. The extension will be for the continued provision of services from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

Commissioner John Westmoreland stated the spelling of Milledgeville should be corrected on page 2 of the MOU.

Vice Chair Tommy French made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Juvenile Justice as presented and with the correction noted and to authorize the Chair to execute the document. Commissioner Emily C. Davis seconded the motion and it passed unanimously by the following rollcall vote:

Aye: French, Davis, Hall, Westmoreland

Update on Administration Building

Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson reported crews are on site and work is continuing at the Administration Building on both the inside and outside of the building. She stated COVID-19 requirements are being followed by crews. Ms. Hudson discussed the large room upstairs that was initially slated to be unfinished. She reported she had discussed with individual Commissioners the recommendation to finish out the space as a conference room with a moveable wall. She reported the estimated cost to finish the space is \$90,000 and the cost would be more expensive if space is completed at a later date. Commissioner Hall asked if there would be money in the project's contingency to pay for the completion of this area. Ms. Hudson responded the contingency amount will not be known until everything is complete to see if there have been unexpected costs in other areas. Assistant County Manager Hudson stated she will discuss this matter further with each Commissioner to determine how to proceed with this.

Commissioner Sammy Hall requested an update on issue with the car wash located by the new Administration Building. County Attorney McRee responded that County Manager Tobar sent a letter to property owner, Mr. Burnette; however, he would prefer not to discuss this matter in open session since there is a chance this could involve possible litigation.

Commissioner Hall made a motion to extend the deadline stated in Mr. Tobar's letter for a response from Mr. Burnette for an additional thirty (30) days in order to provide the opportunity for further discussion toward a resolution to the situation. Commissioner John Westmoreland seconded the motion and it passed by the following rollcall vote:

Aye: French, Davis, Hall, Westmoreland

Old Business

Commissioner Emily C. Davis stated she has been contacted by some local funeral home owners requesting that restrictions not be relaxed on visitations and funeral services. Chair Craig responded the County can impose nothing more restrictive or less restrictive than orders by the Governor. Commissioner Davis requested the Governor be contacted about this matter. Chair Craig stated he would consult with ACCG regarding her request to contact Governor Kemp.

Commissioner John Westmoreland requested an update on the census count. County Manager Tobar stated that currently the County percentage is below the national average.

Vice Chair Tommy French asked the status of updated policies and procedures for Personal Protective Equipment. County Manager Tobar stated he is working on the policy.

New Business

There was no new business to come before the Board.

County Manager's Report

County Manager Tobar presented updates on the following projects: Personal Protective Equipment; Airport multi-purpose trail; water meter installation project; Safety Action Plan; DOT Transit Marketing survey; Health Department building; and Accountability Courts space renovations.

Adjournment

Commissioner John Westmoreland made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:40 p.m. Vice Chair Tommy French seconded the motion and it passed unanimously by the following roll call vote:

Aye: French, Davis, Hall, Westmoreland

Respectfully submitted,

Henry R. Craig
Chair

Cynthia K. Cunningham
County Clerk

AN AMENDED JOINT RESOLUTION OF BALDWIN COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND THE CITY OF MILLEDGEVILLE, GEORGIA, APPROVING REVISED FORMS PERTAINING TO THE DELIVERY AND FUNDING OF CERTAIN SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE SERVICE DELIVERY ACT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Baldwin County, Georgia (“County”) is a duly formed political subdivision of the State of Georgia;

WHEREAS, the City of Milledgeville, Georgia (“City”) is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia;

WHEREAS, the Service Delivery Act, O.C.G.A. § 36-70-20, *et seq.*, requires each county and all cities located therein to develop, approve, and implement a service delivery strategy that specifies the manner in which all local governmental services will be provided and funded; and

WHEREAS, the Service Delivery Act also requires the periodic review and revision of service delivery strategies upon the occurrence of any one of the six conditions specified in O.C.G.A. § 36-70-28(b); and

WHEREAS, the City and County have been engaged in negotiations to revise the Parties’ 2008 Service Delivery Strategy; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County are each authorized to levy taxes, and to expend tax moneys and other available funds; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County are authorized to enter into this intergovernmental agreement by virtue of the provision of the Constitution and Laws of the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2020, the City and the County jointly adopted a Resolution approving of and adopting Service Delivery Strategy forms and Intergovernmental Agreements for the provision and funding of local government services;

WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (“DCA”) provided comments and requested changes to the forms for some of the services included in the prior Service Delivery Strategy submission;

WHEREAS, the Parties have agreed on how to implement those changes in the package of revised Service Delivery Strategy agreements and service area maps attached hereto as Exhibit “A”;

WHEREAS, the City and the County have determined that it is in best interests of each of them to adopt the revised Service Delivery Strategy agreements and service area maps for the benefit of the City, the County, and their citizens;

WHEREAS, the City and the County desire to approve the revised Service Delivery Strategy agreements and service area maps for the funding and provision of services as set forth herein;

WHEREAS, beginning in late 2019, the severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2, SARS-CoV-2, emerged causing a novel coronavirus disease, COVID-19, which has become a global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, the Governor of the State of Georgia declared that a Public Health State of Emergency exists in the State of Georgia due to the public health emergency from the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2020, the Governor of the state of Georgia issued a shelter in place order, Executive Order 04.02.20.01;

WHEREAS, Executive Order 04.02.20.01 prohibits any county or municipal government from allowing more than ten persons to be gathered at a single location if such gathering requires persons to stand or be seated within six (6) feet of any other person;

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1(g) authorizes local governments to conduct meetings by teleconference when necessitated by emergency conditions involving public safety or the preservation of property or public services; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with Executive Order 04.02.20.01 and O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1(g), the County and City find that the public health emergency from the spread of COVID-19 requires that they hold their respective public meetings via teleconference, with the public being given simultaneous access to the teleconference meeting;

THEREFORE, IT IS NOW JOINTLY RESOLVED BY THE BALDWIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILLEDGEVILLE, GEORGIA AS FOLLOWS:

- I. Incorporation of Recitals.** The above stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.
- II. Acceptance of Amended Service Delivery Strategy Agreements.** The County and City hereby jointly approve the amended Service Delivery Strategy Agreements and service area maps attached hereto as Exhibit "A" as an amendment to the Service Delivery Strategy Agreement jointly approved by both parties on February 6, 2020.
- III. Authorization of the Chairman, County Attorney, and Clerk.** The Baldwin County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Attorney or Special Counsel to assemble the complete Service Delivery Strategy Agreement as hereby amended and transmit same to the Department of Community Affairs for verification.
- IV. Authorization of the Mayor, City Attorney, and Clerk.** The City of Milledgeville Mayor and City Council hereby authorizes the County to transmit the Service Delivery

Strategy Agreements and service area maps as hereby amended to the Department of Community Affairs for verification.

- V. **Term.** Unless otherwise provided in the amended Service Delivery Strategy, the revised Baldwin County Service Delivery Strategy shall have a term that expires as of February 28, 2030.
- VI. **Merger.** This amendment is not intended and does not alter in any way any other term, form, map or provision of the Service Delivery Strategy Agreement entered into jointly by the parties on February 6, 2020. Said agreement is merged in accordance with this amendment as though it is one Agreement and the parties are authorized to substitute documents in the February 6, 2020 Agreement as that agreement is amended pursuant to this Amendment. To the extent necessary, the February 6, 2020 Agreement as amended herein is readopted and approved.
- VII. **Severability.** To the extent any portion of this Resolution is declared to be invalid, unenforceable, or nonbinding, that shall not affect the remaining portions of this Resolution.
- VIII. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately but does not alter the agreed upon effective date for purpose of the Term the amended Service Delivery Strategy Agreement.

THIS RESOLUTION adopted this 28th day of April, 2020.

The Mayor and Alderman of the
City of Milledgeville

By: Marcy Peckham Coplan
Mayor

Attest: [Signature]
City Clerk

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Baldwin County, Georgia

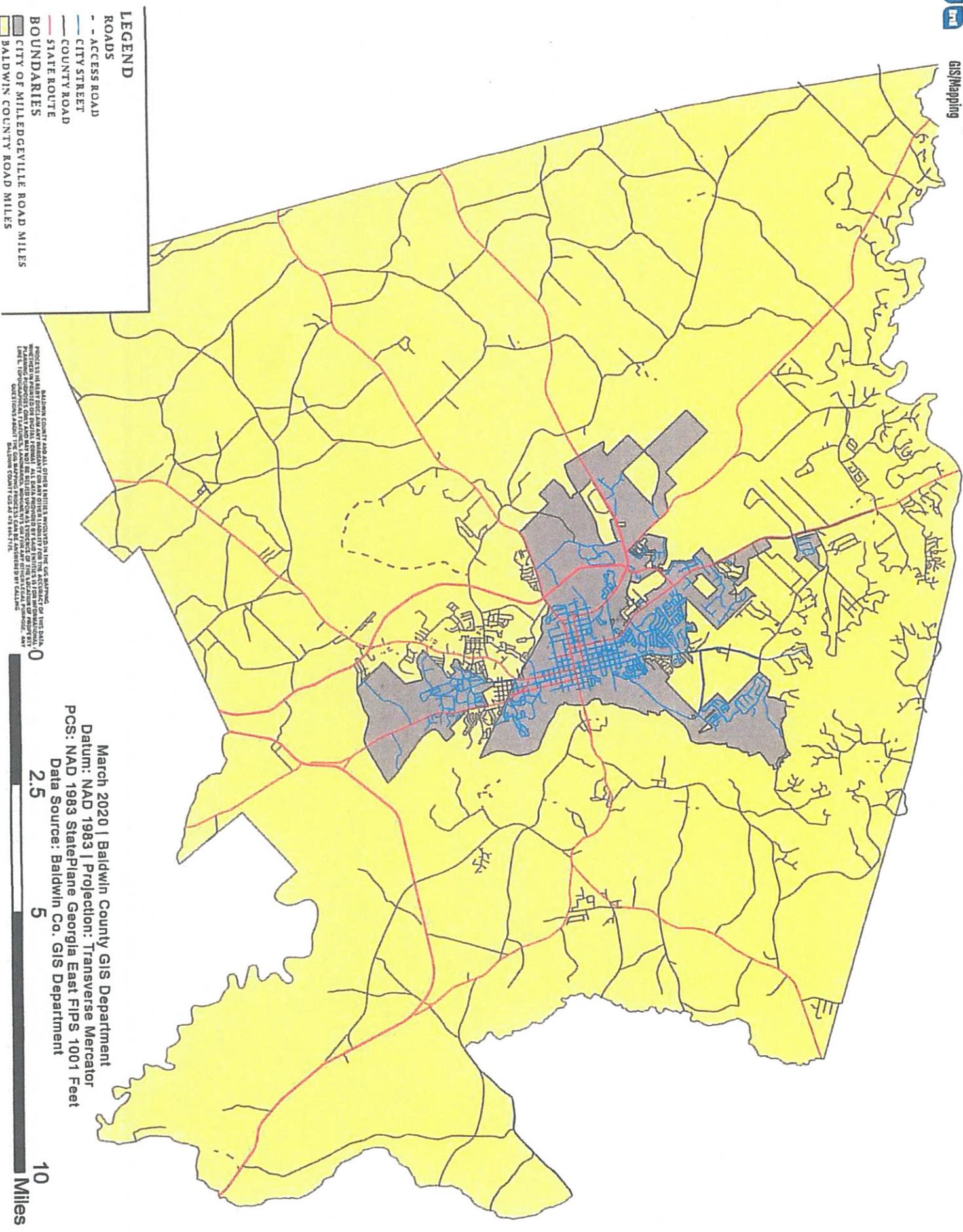
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Chairman, Board of Commissioners

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County Clerk

Approved by Board of Commissioners
April 21, 2020

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Baldwin County, City of Milledgeville Road Map



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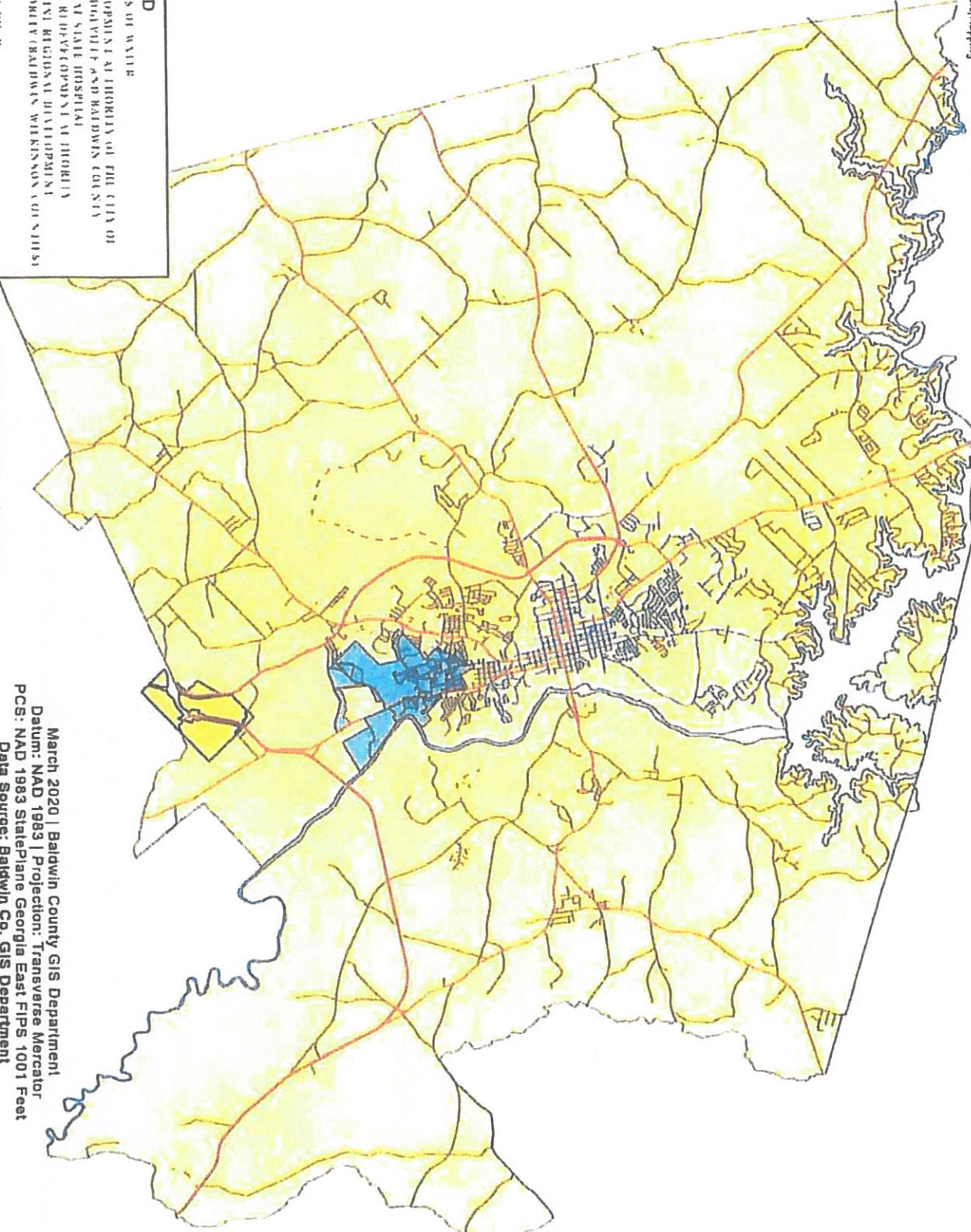
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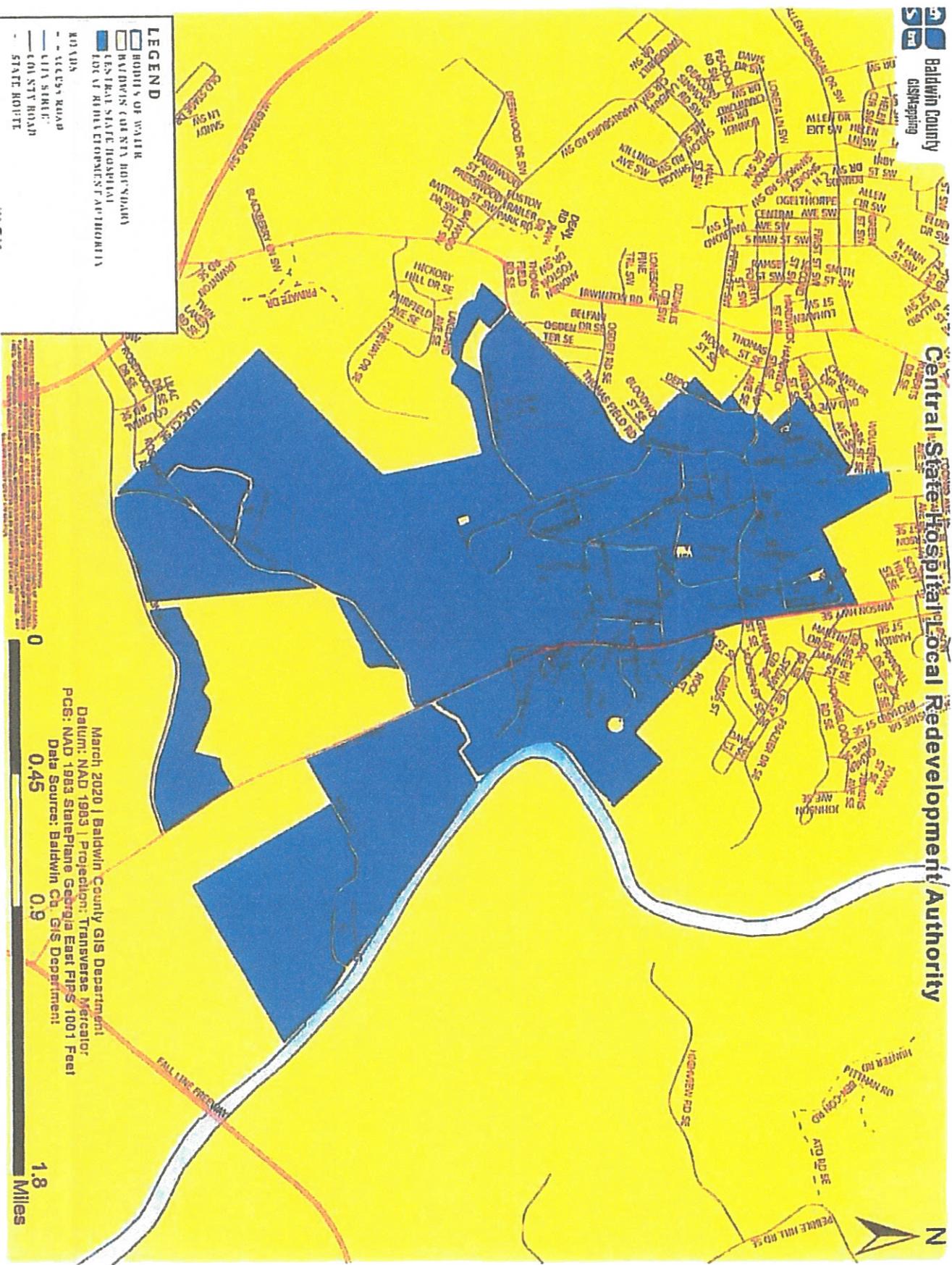
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-  EAST EAST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
-  AUTHORITY GRANTED WILKINSON COUNTY
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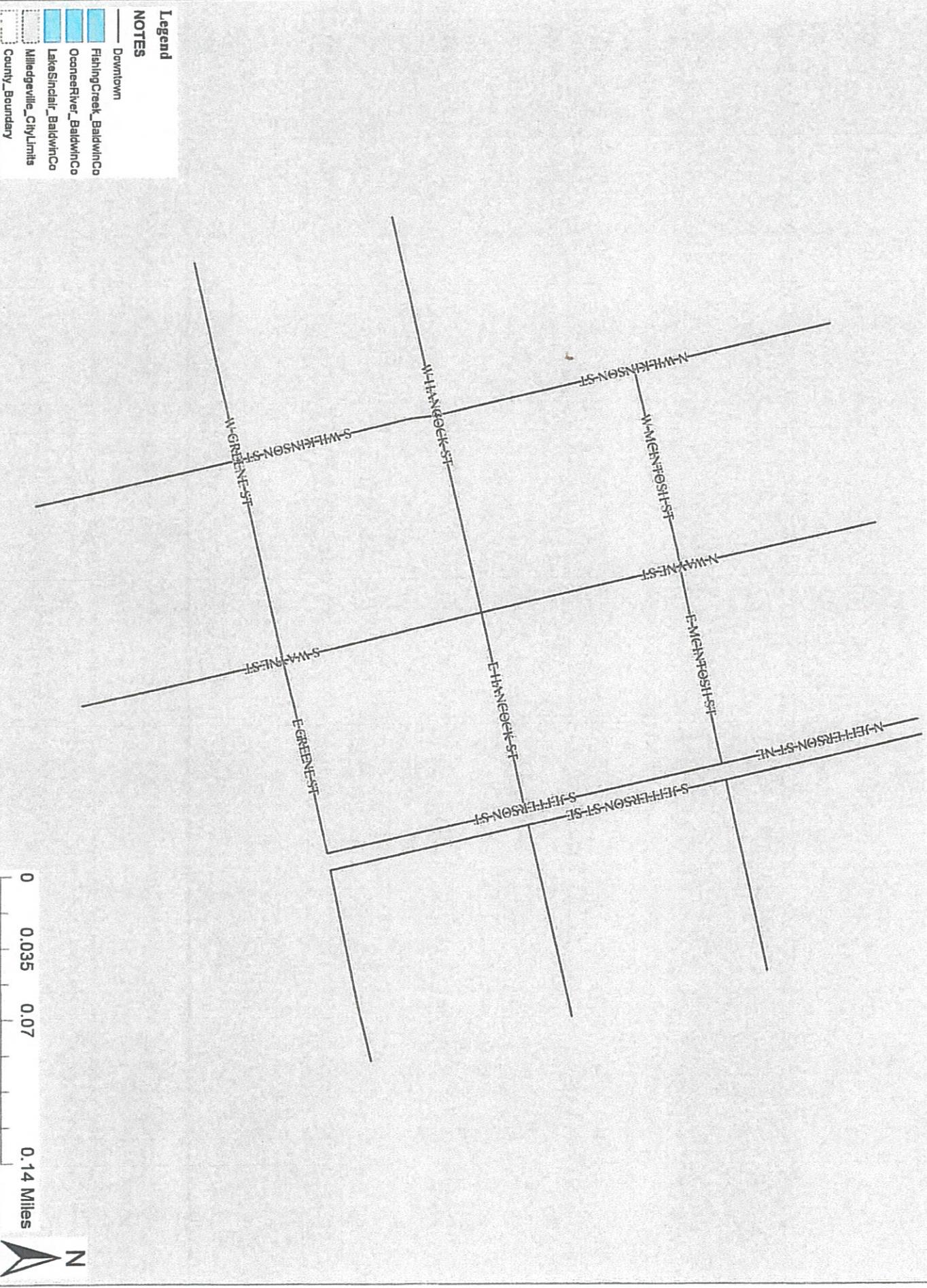
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Milledgeville Main Street Downtown Development Authority



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- County_Boundary

