

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Special Tax Lighting Districts

DATE OF MEETING: December 12th 2017

BUDGET IMPACT:

FUNDING SOURCE:

- Annual SPLOST
 Capital
 N/A

- Regular Meeting (x)
Work Session (x)
Recommendation (x)
Policy/Discussion ()
Report ()

ACTION REQUESTED ON: Proposed Additional 2017 Special Tax Lighting Districts

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES:

This request represents an attempt to add three (3) subdivisions or portions of subdivisions into the County's decorative special tax lighting district. For reference, staff's research and efforts to ensure that the districts are ready for LCBOC consideration include verifying at least 2/3 of the property owners' signatures within the district are obtained, testing the financial solvency of each district, and that the installation costs have been paid. Additionally, concerning notice for the proposed districts, as of the time of publishing this coversheet (11/30) they have been advertised in the VDT and plans are in place to post a sign near each of the proposed districts to advertise the public hearing and the currently proposed charges for the lighting district (\$53.50 per lot per year). Staff recommends adding these subdivisions or portions of subdivisions into the County's decorative special tax lighting district through approval of the attached resolutions. It should be noted that, where applicable, the resolutions include language that address the activation timing of the proposed district¹ and the total number of lights approved under the current fee structure².

The subdivisions are:

1. Ivy Gate 2 – 14 lots
2. Grove Pointe Phase 6 – 50 lots
3. Walker Run – 26 lots

OPTIONS: 1. Approve 2. Approve with Conditions 3. Table 4. Deny

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Option #1 Approval of the Attached Resolutions

DIVISION: Planning

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VALOR

¹ Specifically: Unless the proposed lighting charges are paid in advance, Lowndes County shall not be liable for payment or activation of the lights before November 16th 2018.

² Specifically: Language that addresses how many lights will be paid for by the district e.g. unless the current amounts for special tax lighting are increased, the Board of Commissioners shall only be liable for the payment associated with the activation of two (2) lights.

Administrative Comments and Recommendation:


County Manager

Action by Board _____