

RESOLUTION TITLE: APPROVAL OF GASTON COUNTY 2035 COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN (FINAL DRAFT)

- WHEREAS, In June 2014, the County Commission charged the County Planning Board with the update of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan for the County; and,
- WHEREAS, The Board of Commission, to obtain a range of input, appointed a diverse Steering Committee to work directly with County Planning Staff, N-Focus Planning and Design of Kannapolis, NC, Robyn Stuber, PhD, (Land Use Planning Consultant), and through a series of monthly meeting over an eighteen month period and ten County wide Citizen input small area meetings, the Steering Committee approved a draft plan and recommended it to the County Planning Board for review; and,
- WHEREAS, The Planning Board, in turn, reviewed the draft Comprehensive Land Use Plan, unanimously approving the draft on August 23, 2016, forwarding same (copy on file in Clerk's Office) to the County Commission with a recommendation for approval; and,
- WHEREAS, Board of Commission held a work session on September 13, 2016 to review and examine the contents of the final draft of the plan, and instructed staff to set a public hearing for September 27, 2016; and,
- WHEREAS, The County Commission held a public hearing on the final draft Comprehensive Land Use Plan on September 27, 2016 to take citizen comment, with comments being on file in the Commission Clerk's Office; and,
- WHEREAS, The Commission is requested to consider the public hearing comment, Planning Board recommendation and other pertinent information; then approve the Comprehensive Plan as presented.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commission that after consideration of the Planning Board recommendation and comment from the public hearing process:
 - 1) approves the final draft of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan, as recommended by the Gaston County Planning Board.
 - 2) authorizes the County Manager to begin implementation of recommendations set forth in the Plan.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission extends its thanks to the County Planning Board, Comprehensive Land Use Plan Steering Committee; Municipal and School Officials and staff, County staff, County Department and agencies, and most of all the Citizens of Gaston County for their input and assistance in the development of this plan for our future.