

## RESOLUTION 2022 - 071

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**A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS TO CONTINUE PARTICIPATION IN THE PLANFIRST PROGRAM; RATIFYING THE MAYOR'S ACTION EXECUTING THE RENEWAL AGREEMENT IN ORDER TO SUBMIT BY THE MAY 15 DEADLINE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

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**WHEREAS**, the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) operates a program known as PlanFirst to recognize and reward communities that clearly demonstrate an established pattern of successfully implementing their Local Comprehensive Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, participation in the PlanFirst program lasts for three calendar years, during which the PlanFirst designation brings significant recognition and rewards, including:

Statewide recognition as being an exemplary, PlanFirst, community;

The ability to apply for CDBG annually during the designation period;

Bonus points on DCA programs such as the Redevelopment Fund or Employment Incentive Program or the Downtown Revolving Loan Fund; and

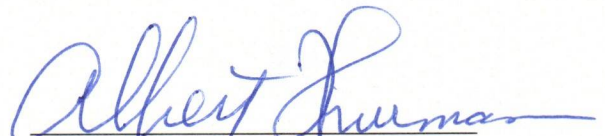
Hands-on assistance from DCA staff to help implement community work program activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Powder Springs previously entered into a three-year Memorandum of Agreement with the DCA and it desires to continue participation in the program, which required execution and submittal of a renewal agreement prior to formal council action;

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to ratify the Mayor's action to execute and submit the renewal agreement to continue participation in the PlanFirst program;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council for the City of Powder Springs that the City's continued participation in the PlanFirst program is authorized and approved, and the Mayor's action to execute a renewal agreement with DCA for PlanFirst is ratified and approved. This Resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

**SO RESOLVED** this 16<sup>th</sup> day of May 2022.

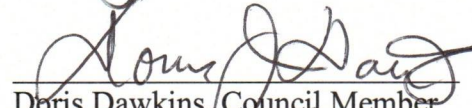
  
Albert Thurman, Mayor

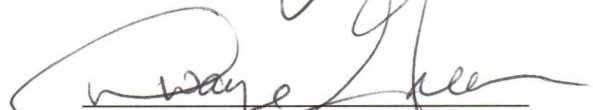
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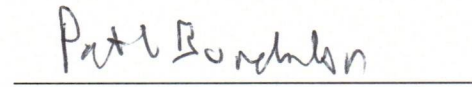
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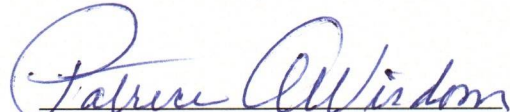
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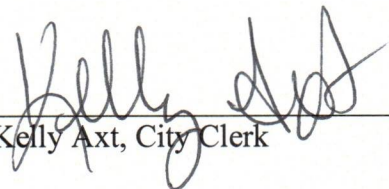
  
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Attest:   
Kelly Axt, City Clerk