



**GEORGIA DEPARTMENT
of COMMUNITY AFFAIRS**

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Honorable Albert Thurman
Mayor, City of Powder Springs
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Mayor Thurman:

Congratulations on completing the process of producing and adopting the most recent annual update of the City of Powder Springs's Capital Improvements Element (CIE). The fact that this update is legally required in order to maintain your ability to collect development impact fees makes the effort no less commendable. To help you continue implementing your CIE in support of your local comprehensive plan, we are honored to award Qualified Local Government (QLG) status to the City of Powder Springs.

As your community grows according to its plan, development impact fees should help you finance the infrastructure necessary to maintain and improve your local quality of life. Consistently following the programmatic structure and methodology articulated in your original or amended CIE will help ensure the continued validity of your impact fee program and provide for a fair and equitable means of funding your capital projects.

Please remember that our team exists for the sole purpose of supporting local governments' work across the state. If you have any questions or we can help you in any way, please contact us. Best wishes for the successful implementation of your plan!

Sincerely,

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