

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ESCAMBIA
COUNTY PLANNING BOARD**

Regular Meeting - March 3, 2026 - 8:30 AM
Escambia County Central Office Complex
3363 West Park Place, Room 104

1. Call to Order.

Present: Reid Rushing, Board Member
Ben Nelson, Board Member
Jonathan Owens, Board Member
Eric Fears, Board Member
Walker Wilson, Chairman
William Van Horn II, Vice Chairman
Tim Pyle, Board Member
Stephen Opalenik, Navy Representative

Absent: Kevin Adams, School Board Representative

Staff Present: Horace Jones, Director, Development Services
Department
Andrew Holmer, Deputy Director, Development Services
Department
Caleb MacCartee, Urban Planning Manager
Rachel Whitmire, Development Services Coordinator
Christopher Shaffer, Assistant County Attorney

Chairman Wilson called the Regular Meeting of the Planning Board to order at 8:31 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. Proof of Publication and Waive the Reading of the Legal Advertisement.

Motion by Reid Rushing, Seconded by Jonathan Owens

Motion was made to waive the reading of the legal advertisement.

Vote : 7 - 0 Motion carried unanimously

4. Approval of Minutes.

- I. A. RECOMMENDATION: That the Planning Board review and approve the Meeting Minutes of the January 6, 2026, Planning Board Regular Meeting.
- B. Planning Board Monthly Action Follow-up Report for February 2026.
- C. Planning Board 6-Month Outlook for March 2026.

Motion by Reid Rushing, Seconded by Jonathan Owens

Motion was made to approve the minutes of the January 6, 2026, Planning Board Regular Meeting.

Vote : 7 - 0 Motion carried unanimously

5. Acceptance of Planning Board Meeting Packet.

Motion by Jonathan Owens, Seconded by Ben Nelson

Motion was made to accept the meeting packet.

Vote : 7 - 0 Motion carried unanimously

6. Public Hearings.

I. A Public Hearing Concerning the Review of an Ordinance Amending the Future Land Use Map - SSA-2026-02

That the Board review and recommend to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC), an Ordinance amending Chapter 7, "The Future Land Use (FLU) Element," Policy FLU 1.1.1, to provide for an amendment to the 2030 FLU Map (SSA-2026-02), changing the FLU category of a parcels located within Section 28, Township 2N, Range 31W, Parcel Number 28-2N-31-4120-002-001, totaling 18.10 (+/-) acres, located on W Quintette Rd. from Rural Community (RC) to Mixed-Use Suburban (MU-S).

Motion by Jonathan Owens, Seconded by Eric Fears

Motion was made to recommend approval to the BCC.

Vote : 7 - 0 Motion carried unanimously

II. A Public Hearing Concerning the Review of an Ordinance Amending the Future Land Use Map - SSA-2026-03

That the Board review and recommend to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC), an Ordinance amending Chapter 7, "The Future Land Use (FLU) Element," Policy FLU 1.1.1, to provide for an amendment to the 2030 FLU Map (SSA-2026-03), changing the FLU category of a parcels located within Section 27, Township 2S, Range 31W, Parcel Number 27-2S-31-2202-000-000, totaling 5.26 (+/-) acres, located on Bauer Rd. from Conservation (Con) to Public (P).

Motion by Ben Nelson, Seconded by Jonathan Owens

Motion was made to recommend approval to the BCC.

Vote : 7 - 0 Motion carried unanimously

7. Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Wilson declared the Planning Board Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:52 a.m.