

**JOINT PLANNING AND INTERLOCAL SERVICE  
BOUNDARY AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
HAINES CITY AND POLK COUNTY**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2009, by and between the **CITY OF HAINES CITY**, a Florida municipal corporation (“CITY”) and **POLK COUNTY**, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (“COUNTY”). The CITY and COUNTY shall collectively be referred to as “Parties.”

**RECITALS**

1. Pursuant to Section 163.01, Fla. Stat., local governmental units are encouraged to make the most efficient use of their powers by cooperating with other local governmental units.

2. Pursuant to Part II, Chapter 163, Fla. Stat. (the “Act”), and applicable rules, the COUNTY and the CITY adopted comprehensive plans which have subsequently been amended from time to time.

3. It is the intent of the Act to encourage and assure cooperation between and among cities and counties.

4. Pursuant to Section 163.3171(3), Fla. Stat., unincorporated areas adjacent to cities may be included in the city’s planning area if the governing bodies of the city and the county agree on the boundaries of such additional areas, or procedures for joint action in the preparation and adoption of the comprehensive plan.

5. The COUNTY’s Intergovernmental Coordination Element includes Policy 4.102-A7 which states that the COUNTY will continue to work with cities to identify joint planning areas, and to enter into and implement interlocal agreements concerning the future annexation and municipal incorporation of such joint planning areas.

6. The Intergovernmental Coordination Element of the Haines City Growth Management Plan contains Policy 4.(a)3 which states that the CITY shall enter into interlocal agreements with any local government agency and/or party when beneficial services can be attained for the betterment of the quality of life for Haines City residents.

7. The CITY has coordinated with the COUNTY during the preparation of the Haines City CityView Selected Area Plan ("CityView SAP") which is designed to meet the state planning requirements based upon both the CITY's projected population needs through a long-range planning horizon.

8. The CITY and COUNTY have conducted public workshops and public hearings to solicit public input into the planning process and staffs from the respective jurisdictions have held meetings to discuss and resolve technical issues.

9. A number of area residents have expressed a desire to maintain the rural or suburban character of their existing neighborhood, and CITY and COUNTY staff have discussed measures to protect the existing quality of life for said residents.

10. The CITY has established the CityView SAP to include a Land Use Vision Plan for the area; the required data and analysis to support the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan; coordination of the provision of transportation facilities and other required infrastructure with the proposed future land use plan.

11. The Intergovernmental Coordination Element of the CityView SAP contemplates adoption of a joint planning agreement between the CITY and COUNTY.

12. A select area of the CityView SAP has been identified as a Joint Planning Area (JPA) for the CITY and COUNTY. This JPA, depicted in **Exhibit "A"**, has been established for the purposes of implementing coordinated land use planning and development review.

13. It is desirable for the CITY and COUNTY to enter into an Interlocal Agreement based on the JPA to better identify areas proposed for future municipal service and jurisdiction and to ensure better coordination of government services and reduce or eliminate substantial future non-conformities.

14. The CITY and COUNTY desire to enter into this Agreement to address post-annexation issues related to road right of way and drainage facility maintenance responsibility.