To: Polk County Board of Commissioners

From: Planning Board and Staff

Date: March 13, 2025

Re: Polk County Subdivision Ordinance Text Amendment

Project History & Analysis

The Planning Board, with support from staff and county attorney, have updated the Polk County Subdivision Ordinance. The Planning Board sent a draft document to the Board of Commissioners, the Board of Commissioners requested the Planning Board review the right-of-way width, notice to property owners affected by right-of-way reduction, and town roads.

Proposed Amendments

Amendments included in attached document (additions to existing text are indicated by the use of underlining, and deletions are indicated by strike-through). See attached document.

Plan Consistency

The Planning Board has found that this request is consistent with the Polk County 20/20 Vision Comprehensive Plan, adopted March 15, 2010, amended September 18, 2017:

a. Vision for Polk County: Polk County's rural atmosphere and serene natural beauty will be vigorously protected. Visionary and pragmatic county and municipal governments will work together in a cooperative manner as they continue to enhance the quality of life for all Polk County citizens.
b. I.47 As necessary, revise/update the Polk County Ordinances.

Recommendation

The Planning Board does recommend that the Board of Commissioners enact the Polk County Subdivision Ordinance text amendments.

Votes:
Aye - 5
Nay - 2
Abstain - 1

Warren Cobb
Planning Board Chair