

# Blount County

## Planning and Development Services

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### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Blount County Board of Commissioners

**FROM:** Thomas A. Lloyd, AICP

**DATE:** March 4, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Request for public hearing (minimum 30 day notice)

#### Attachments

- (1) Staff memo to Planning Commission
- (2) County Attorney's memo regarding process and procedure
- (3) Report of action
- (4) Resolution adopted by Planning Commission
- (5) Comprehensive Plan (Exhibit A)

#### Discussion:

This is a request for a public hearing on the Regional Comprehensive Plan as prepared by Inspire Placemaking Collective.

On December 2, 2024, the Planning Commission held a public hearing regarding the draft Comprehensive Plan. The consultant gave a presentation of the plan and fielded questions from the Commission. The Commission asked her to make a few changes and clarify a few items based on their discussion. With those requested changes, the Planning Commission voted unanimously to amend, certify, and adopt the Plan as presented on February 27, 2025. Upon adoption, the Planning Commission also forwarded the Plan to all of the municipalities, the Department of Economic and Community Development, and the County Commission.

As noted in the County Attorney's memo (attached), before the County Commission can adopt a regional plan, or any amendment thereto which has been proposed by the Planning Commission, the County Commission must "hold a public hearing thereon, the time and place of which shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting in which the adoption or amendment is to be first considered."