



TOWN OF SUMMERDALE

July 2, 2026

Baldwin County Commission
312 Courthouse Square, Suite 12
Bay Minette, AL 36507

Dear Honorable Members of the Baldwin County Commission,

On June 9, 2026, we received notice from Frank Lundy, that our Subdivision Regulation and Building Construction Regulation Agreement with Baldwin County is expiring a year earlier than anticipated.

We understand the abrupt expiration is the result of Section 11-102-2 of the Code of Alabama that limits contracts or agreements to 3-year terms; however, we were not prepared for this at the time of receipt of this letter.

Over the last few years, we have been working diligently on growing our town and establishing a vision for where we would like to be in the future. District 18, which surrounds us, is one of the only districts that is unzoned in Baldwin County and for this reason we would like to retain our regulation in our planning jurisdiction.

Our Building Construction Regulation jurisdiction is also crucial to us. We have expanded our Building Department to include our Building Official, Building Inspector, Permit Technician, and Code Enforcement. We have a 3rd party to contract with, in the event we need him. These investments have enabled us to provide efficient permit review, timely inspections, and dependable customer service to residents, contractors, and developers throughout our jurisdiction. Permit applications with complete submittals are typically reviewed within five to seven business days, and our staff works diligently to ensure inspections are performed promptly so construction projects can continue without unnecessary delays. We believe this level of service benefits not only the Town of Summerdale but also the builders, property owners, and businesses, contributing to the continued growth of Baldwin County.

Our building jurisdiction is important as it allows us to financially sustain our newly expanded Building Department. The revenue that is received from our building jurisdiction is invested back into this department. Without this revenue source, we would have to pull funds from other Town financial sources or risk cutting our department.

The Town of Summerdale respectfully requests the Baldwin County Commission to allow Summerdale to retain its jurisdictions as stated in the current agreement.

Sincerely,

Mayor Randy Farris
Town of Summerdale

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