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## Hall Commission says no to Oakwood



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GAINESVILLE - The City of Oakwood could not persuade Hall Commissioners to allow road access annexation through unincorporated neighborhoods to Lake Lanier at Thursday night's regular session.

There was an overflow crowd at the Georgia Mountains Center and commissioners had to delay the meeting about ten minutes to remove a partition and move more seats in.

At least seven home owners and homeowner group leaders stood up and opposed the move, which Oakwood City Manager Stan Brown described as an enhancement as part of the city's 2030 Vision Plan to make Oakwood a lakeside community.

Brown said he had met with the homeowners, but they kept calling for more specific information about Oakwood's plans rather than just an outline.

Brown told county commissioners the city would assume all road maintenance, improve lakeside recreation, and offer city services to homeowners who might want to annex into the city without the use of the island annexation method. Brown also offered an amendment to the resolution to remove Flat Creek Road, Mountain View Road, and Stevens Road from

The residents including Charles McKinney were not convinced. McKinney said he would lose representation because he lives in Hall County, not the City of Oakwood.

"I ask you to represent my vote and all the other votes that have shown up and live in that area," McKinney said.

Commissioners unanimously voted against Oakwood's annexation request.