## FINAL MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016 SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MADISON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY HELD AND CONDUCTED ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2016,

## AT 11:00 A.M. IN THE MCEDA CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE MCEDA OFFICES AT 135 MISSISSIPPI PARKWAY.

CANTON, MISSISSIPPI

The special meeting of the Madison County Economic Development Authority was conducted on the 15<sup>TH</sup> day of September 2016, at 11:00 a.m. in the MCEDA Office at 135 Mississippi Parkway, Canton, MS.

Members Present:

Dwight Luckett, Sells Newman, Doug Jones, Ed Gardner, Jim Smith,

Lanny Slaughter, Calvin Harris

Also present were Ken Oilschlager, Danielle Winningham, Taquana Mack,

and Attorney Andy Clark

At 11:40 a.m., Chairman Harris announced that the members present constituted a quorum, declared the meeting duly convened, and directed that the notice for the meeting be filed with the minutes.

Mr. Newman made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. After a second by Mr. Luckett, the motion was unanimously approved.

There was discussion regarding the MCEDA visioning consultants' presentations at the board meeting held on September 8, 2016. Each board member shared their thoughts on the Janus Institute and VisionFirst consultants.

The MCEDA Board of Directors and Madison County Board of Supervisors will be interviewed by the selected firm to gather the direction and hopes of what is expected for MCEDA's visioning process.

Mr. Jones made a motion to hire VisionFirst Advisors to conduct the visioning study for MCEDA. After a second by Mr. Newman, the motion was approved. Mr. Slaughter abstained from voting.

There was a motion by Mr. Smith and second by Mr. Jones to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing the need for an Executive Session to address confidential discussions and negotiations regarding the location of a business in Madison County. The motion passed unanimously. There was then a discussion of the need to go into Executive Session to consider the aforementioned, at the conclusion of which there was a motion by Mr. Slaughter and a second by Mr. Smith to do so. This motion was adopted unanimously. Chairman Harris then opened the meeting to announce publicly that the Board was going into Executive Session to discuss confidential discussions and negotiations regarding the location of a business in Madison County. Chairman Harris convened an Executive Session for this purpose.

Mr. Newman made a motion to adjourn Executive Session. After a second by Mr. Jones, there was a unanimous vote to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the open session. The following actions taken in Executive Session were then reported by the Chair:

There was no action taken.

At 12:34 p.m., upon a motion made by Mr. Luckett, second by Mr. Slaughter, and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned.

Calvin Harris, Chairman

ATTEST: