

TUSCALOOSA COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING
JANUARY 18, 2017

TUSCALOOSA COUNTY §
STATE OF ALABAMA §

This being the date and hour to which the Tuscaloosa County Commission adjourned, the County Commission met pursuant to such adjournment with Probate Judge W. Hardy McCollum presiding as Chairman. The following members were present:

Stan Acker
Jerry Tingle
Mark C. Nelson
Reginald Murray

Chairman W. Hardy McCollum read into the record and presented to Mr. Dennis Duncan a proclamation proclaiming February 2017, as "CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION MONTH."

Exhibit 1-1, Page

Commissioner Jerry Tingle moved, seconded by Commissioner Stan Acker, the County Commission voted unanimously to authorize the sale of the condemned property of 3800 Alabama Avenue and post it for bid.

Commissioner Stan Acker moved, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Tingle, the County Commission voted unanimously to into Executive Session prior to the end of this meeting to discuss board appointments.

Commissioner Mark C. Nelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Reginald Murray, the County Commission voted unanimously to approve a request for bond extension of one year for Glen Ridge Subdivision.

Exhibit 1-2, Page *NONE*

The County Commission voted unanimously to approve the warrants issued to cover Tuscaloosa County's expenditures for December 2016.

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Commissioner Jerry Tingle moved, seconded by Commissioner Stan Acker, the County Commission voted unanimously to execute a resolution from the Tuscaloosa County Special Tax Board supporting local legislation to impose a rental tax in Tuscaloosa County; contingent upon the Cities of Tuscaloosa and Northport executing similar resolutions.

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Commissioner Mark C. Nelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Stan Acker, the County Commission voted unanimously to reduce the speed limit on Remington Parkway from 30 MPH to 25 MPH.

Commissioner Mark C. Nelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Reginald Murray, the County Commission voted unanimously to approve a funding request in the amount of \$5,000.00 from the District 3 discretionary fund to the Tuscaloosa County Board of Education for the Hillcrest High School baseball team to purchase items and equipment.

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Commissioner Mark C. Nelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Tingle, the County Commission voted unanimously to reallocate \$100,000.00 from the Bobby Miller Parkway sidewalk project to the Tuscaloosa County Board of Education to complete the Hillcrest High School football stadium renovations.


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Commissioner Reginald Murray moved, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Tingle, the County Commission voted unanimously to depart from the order of business set forth in the official agenda to discuss a request from the IDA.

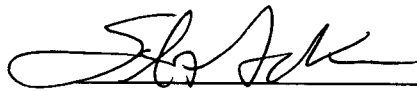
Commissioner Stan Acker moved, seconded by Commissioner Mark C. Nelson, the County Commission voted unanimously to adopt a resolution to authorize the Tuscaloosa County Industrial Development Authority to act on behalf of Tuscaloosa County to grant (or consent to the granting of) the abatement of non-educational ad valorem taxes as provided for in Chapter 9G of the Code of Alabama with respect to private use industrial property located within the County.

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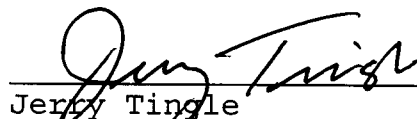
There being no further business to come before the Tuscaloosa County Commission, the meeting adjourned to Wednesday, February 1, 2017.



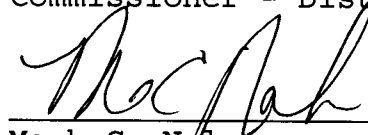
W. Hardy McCallum
Judge of Probate and Chairman
Tuscaloosa County Commission



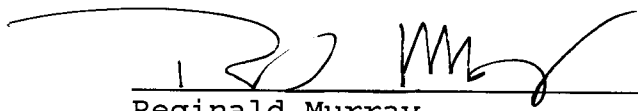
Stan Acker
Commissioner - District I



Jerry Tingle
Commissioner - District II



Mark C. Nelson
Commissioner - District III



Reginald Murray
Commissioner - District IV



TUSCALOOSA COUNTY
School System

January 9, 2017

The Honorable Judge Hardy McCollum
Tuscaloosa County Judge of Probate
714 Greensboro Avenue
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

Dear Judge McCollum:

February 2017 is National Career and Technical Education Month. Plans are being made throughout the Tuscaloosa County Schools for special events to publicize and support CTE students, teachers, and programs. This year's theme is *CTE Month: Celebrate Today; Own Tomorrow*.

On behalf of the Tuscaloosa County Schools and CTE Director Dennis Duncan, I request that you issue a Resolution proclaiming February 1-28, 2017 as Career and Technical Education Month in Tuscaloosa County. A sample Proclamation for CTE month is enclosed.

We also request permission for student representatives from Tuscaloosa County Schools to attend the County Commission meeting where the Proclamation is presented, and we hope you will be able to do so at the January 18, 2017 meeting. I will be happy to coordinate with your office for the appropriate number of attendees.

We look forward to hearing from you regarding this request. Please call me at 205.799.5868 or email to lbeck@tcss.net with questions or to confirm arrangements.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'LaDonna Beck'.

LaDonna T. Beck
Career Coach

Enclosure

ec: Mr. Dennis Duncan (dduncan@tcss.net)

EX 1-1

MONTH OF: **DECEMBER , 2016**

FUND	CHECK NUMBERS	AMOUNT
001 GENERAL FUND SPECIAL SALES TAX	31475-31954	\$4,619,124.06
112 ROAD & BRIDGE	9951-10123	\$1,707,225.47
116 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT		
117 RRR GAS TAX		
120 REAPPRAISAL	3050-3079	\$264,153.91
160 COMMUNITY DEVELOP	1742-1743	\$13,200.00
710 PAYROLL-CHECKS	95260-95307	\$1,679,397.25
	61666-62067	\$260,919.93
	21025-21923	\$1,158,240.17
720 PAYROLL-DIR DEP	432-433	\$16,705.78
730 EXCESS LAND SALES		
730 FIDUCIARY		
750 PISTOL PERMIT	9637-9680	\$23,649.83
780 E911	5675-5695	\$889,634.02
781 GAS TAX BONDING		
783 GENERAL LIABILITY		
783 WORKMEN'S COMP	160	\$6,589.50
783 HEALTH INSURANCE	6	\$349.00
784 TAX COLL SPECIAL		
785 TAX ASSR SPECIAL		
786 MFG HOMES		
787 MOTOR VEH TRAINING		

\$10,639,188.92

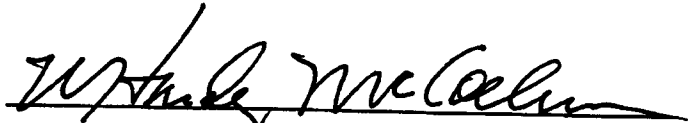
CHECKED BY:



WILLIAM M. LAMB, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

APPROVED BY TUSCALOOSA COUNTY COMMISSION:

CHAIRMAN, W. HARDY MCCOLLUM



COMMISSIONER, STAN ACKER



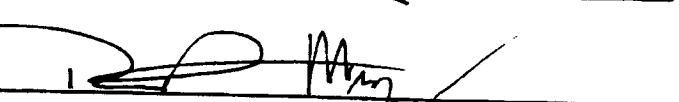
COMMISSIONER, JERRY TINGLE



COMMISSIONER, MARK C. NELSON



COMMISSIONER, REGINALD MURRAY



EX 1-3

STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF TUSCALOOSA

RESOLUTION OF THE TUSCALOOSA COUNTY COMMISSION
SUPPORTING LOCAL LEGISLATION
TO REPLACE THE COUNTY USE TAX
ON CERTAIN TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY
WITH A RENTAL TAX

WHEREAS Act 53-56 of the Alabama Legislature, as amended, imposes a sales and use tax on tangible personal property sold, used, or consumed in Tuscaloosa County,

WHEREAS no tax on the rental of tangible personal property ("Rental Tax") is currently imposed by or on behalf of Tuscaloosa County,

WHEREAS the City of Tuscaloosa, City of Northport, and State of Alabama all impose a Rental Tax,

WHEREAS Alabama law provides an exemption from sales and use tax on property subsequently rented in a transaction which will be subject to Rental Tax

WHEREAS, because Tuscaloosa County lacks a Rental Tax, tangible personal property used or sold in Tuscaloosa County has been subjected to sales or use tax if subsequently leased,

WHEREAS a recent decision from an out-of-county circuit court has called into question the ability of Tuscaloosa County to continue its longstanding practice of collecting sales or use tax on tangible personal property subsequently leased,

WHEREAS the loss of sales and use tax revenue would be significant if this court decision becomes established law,

WHEREAS enacting a Rental Tax for Tuscaloosa County could avoid any such loss of revenue,

WHEREAS enacting a Rental Tax for Tuscaloosa County would bring uniformity with the law applicable in the Cities of Tuscaloosa and Northport, and the State of Alabama, making compliance easier for taxpayers, and

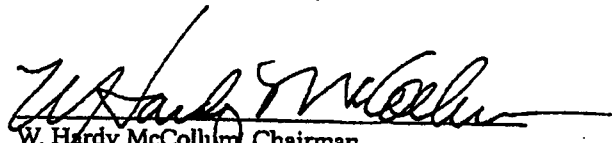
WHEREAS enacting a Rental Tax would not increase the overall tax burden, but would instead effectively replace the existing use tax on tangible personal property to be leased with a new Rental Tax,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tuscaloosa County Commission as follows:

The Tuscaloosa County Commission urges the local legislative delegation to introduce and pass legislation that will impose a Rental Tax for Tuscaloosa County.

EX-1-4

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Tuscaloosa County Commission has caused this Resolution to be executed in its name and on its behalf by its Chairman on this 4th day of February, 2015.


W. Hardy McCollum, Chairman
Tuscaloosa County Commission

ATTEST:


Melvin Vines, County Administrator

B01-4

PROPOSAL FOR REVIEW, APPROVAL AND FUNDING OF PUBLIC USE PROJECTS BY DISTRICT

Commission District: Three

Proposed Project Description: Funds to be paid to the Tuscaloosa County Board of Education for the purchase of items and equipment for the use and benefit of the Hillcrest High School baseball team.

Funding Amount Required: \$5,000.00 from District 3 Community Development Funds

To Be Placed on Commission Agenda 1/18/2017

Commissioner Approval:  Date: 1/15/17

Legal Counsel Review:  Date: 1/17/17

Finance Director Review & Disbursement:  Date: 1-13-17

SRCE H2 Plan # D3
Vendor # 21491 PO # Hillcrest HS
Acct. # _____
Rec'd By _____ BK # _____
see above
Approved For Payment

EX-5

W. HARDY McCOLLUM
CHAIRMAN

MELVIN L. VINES
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

WILLIAM M. LAMB
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER



MEMBERS
STAN ACKER
JERRY TINGLE
MARK NELSON
REGINALD MURRAY

COUNTY COMMISSION

TUSCALOOSA COUNTY ALABAMA
P.O. Box 20113 • 714 GREENSBORO AVENUE
TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA 35402-0113
205-349-3870

January 4, 2017

Mr. James D. Brown, West Central Region Engineer
c/o Mr. Robert P. Hoggle, Special Projects Manager
West Central Region-County Transportation
Alabama Department of Transportation
2715 Skyland Blvd. East
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35407

RE: TAPAA-TA13(947) Patriot Path (Bobby Miller Parkway)

Dear Mr. Brown:

Regarding the referenced project, please be advised that the Tuscaloosa County Commission hereby requests that the grant agreement related to the construction of a sidewalk and related improvements, i.e. landscaping, lighting, etc. along Bobby Miller Parkway, be terminated by your agency.

This project was a very worthwhile endeavor but due to the present fiscal restraints and the anticipated decrease in the County revenues which the Commission is presently facing, it is felt that this cost saving measure is a prudent course of action.

Please know that, as always, the Commission appreciates all of the efforts and assistance provided to our County by the State of Alabama Department of Transportation and, on this project specifically, the advice and assistance provided by Mr. Robert P. Hoggle.

If you have any questions or desire any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hardy McCollum".

W. Hardy McCollum, Chairman
Tuscaloosa County Commission

Cc: Mark Nelson, County Commissioner
Melvin L. Vines, County Administrator
Scott Anders, P.E., County Engineer
Farrington Snipes, Grants Director

EX 1-6

TUSCALOOSA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

INVOICE

P.O. BOX 2568
TUSCALOOSA, AL 35403

205-342-2767

FOR
HCHS Restroom Project

INVOICE DATE January 19, 2017

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
	HCHS Restroom Project (Payment 3 of 3)		\$100,000.00
<p>SRCE <u>H2</u> Run # <u>D3</u> Vendor # <u>21491</u> PO # <u>Hillcrest HS</u> Acct # <u>001-62151-000</u> Rec'd By <u>CO. COMM - AME</u> Approved For Payment</p>		<p>APPROVED BY COUNTY COMMISSION DATE <u>1-18-17</u></p>	
Signed: <u>Danny C. Higdon</u>		SUBTOTAL	
			\$100,000.00

DIRECT ALL INQUIRIES TO:
Danny Higdon
205-342-2767
email: dhigdon@tcss.net

MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
Tuscaloosa County Schools
P.O. Box 2568
Tuscaloosa, AL 35403

PAY THIS
AMOUNT

EX 1-6

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TUSCALOOSA COUNTY
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO ACT ON BEHALF OF
TUSCALOOSA COUNTY REGARDING THE GRANTING OF AD
VALOREM TAX ABATEMENTS UNDER ALABAMA REINVESTMENT
AND ABATEMENTS ACT**

WHEREAS, on or about June 24, 2015, Act 2015-24 of the Alabama Legislature (the "Act") became effective and, *inter alia*, amending and supplementing the Tax Incentive Reform Act of 1992 ("TIRA"); and

WHEREAS, the Act added Chapter 9G known as the "Alabama Reinvestment and Abatements Act" which requires that "Regardless of the length of the abatement, county noneducational taxes may be abated only with the consent by resolution of the governing body of the county"; and

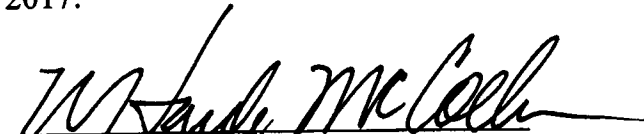
WHEREAS, the Act further allowed the governing body of a county to separately authorize one or more public industrial authorities to provide by resolution for such consent on its behalf; and

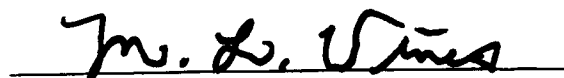
WHEREAS, the Tuscaloosa County Industrial Development Authority ("TCIDA") has been charged by the Tuscaloosa County and other governmental entities within Tuscaloosa County since 1992 with the responsibility for recruiting industry and evaluating the advisability of granting abatements of up to ten (10) years as provided for under TIRA to those industries and has developed processes for making those evaluations and has in fact acted on behalf of the Tuscaloosa County and other governmental entities within Tuscaloosa County since 1992 to give their collective consent to the granting of abatements pursuant to TIRA during that time.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Tuscaloosa County Commission, as follows:

That, as provided for in §40-9G-5(a)(2)(c), it does hereby authorize the Tuscaloosa County Industrial Development Authority to act on its behalf to grant (or consent to the granting of) the abatement of noneducational ad valorem taxes as provided for in Chapter 9G with respect to private use industrial property located within the County.

Approved at our regularly scheduled meeting on this the 18th day of January, 2017.


W. Hardy McCollum, Chairman
Tuscaloosa County Commission


Melvin L. Vines
County Administrator

EX 1-7