Tuesday, February 18, 2014
MACON-BIBB COUNTY PRE-COMMISSION MEETING

5:00 P.M.
Government Center
Large Conference Room.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Subject  A. Mayor Robert A.B. Reichert
Meeting    Feb 18, 2014 - MACON-BIBB COUNTY PRE-COMMISSION MEETING
Category   1. CALL TO ORDER
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2. REVIEW AGENDA FOR TONIGHT'S COMMISSION MEETING

3. ADJOURNMENT

Building a Better Macon - Bibb County
Tuesday, February 18, 2014
MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

6:00 P.M.
Government Center
Commission Chamber

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Recommended Action: This item received unanimous approval of the Economic & Community Development Committee on February 11th to be moved to the Consent Agenda for adoption at tonight's meeting.

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9. OLD BUSINESS

Subject A. Ordinance to appropriate $125,460 from Fund Balance to Board of Elections to fund unexpected expenses
Meeting Feb 18, 2014 - MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Category 9. OLD BUSINESS
Access Public
Type Action
Recommended Action Operations & Finance Committee recommends adoption

File Attachments
Ordinance Supplemental No 1 BOE.pdf (7 KB) Budget Amendment BOE 02112014.pdf (389 KB)

Subject B. Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission to adopt the Second Amendment to the Bibb County Pension Plan of 1968
Meeting Feb 18, 2014 - MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Category 9. OLD BUSINESS
Access Public
Type Action
Recommended Action Operations & Finance Committee recommends adoption

File Attachments
Pension Plan.pdf (353 KB)

Subject C. Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission requesting that the state of Georgia Social Security Coordinator be notified of Macon-Bibb County's desire to hold a Referendum by its employees participating in or eligible for the Bibb County Plan and Macon Plan A
Meeting Feb 18, 2014 - MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Category 9. OLD BUSINESS
Access Public
Type Action
Recommended Action Operations & Finance Committee recommends adoption

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Social Security Referendum.pdf (187 KB)

Subject D. Resolution delegating to the Tax Commissioner the authority to waive the collection of amounts representing penalties and interest assessed for failure to pay ad valorem taxes
Meeting Feb 18, 2014 - MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Subject E. Resolution setting the expense allowance for the first day of service for Grand and Traverse Jurors at twenty-five dollars
Meeting Feb 18, 2014 - MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Category 9. OLD BUSINESS
Access Public
Type Action
Recommended Action Operations & Finance Committee recommends adoption

File Attachments
Waive Certain Penalties and Interest.pdf (529 KB)

Subject F. Ordinance to appropriate $8,000 from Fund Balance to Clerk of Superior Court
Meeting Feb 18, 2014 - MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Category 9. OLD BUSINESS
Access Public
Type Action
Recommended Action Adopt

File Attachments
Increase Jury Pay Two.pdf (9 KB)

Ordinance Supplemental No 2.pdf (7 KB) Copy of Supplemental No. 2.pdf (299 KB)

Subject G. Approval of Retirements: Donald Balkcom of Custodial Services (29 years & five months) and Sheila Jackson of Keep Macon-Bibb Beautiful (15 years)
Meeting Feb 18, 2014 - MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Category 9. OLD BUSINESS
Access Public
Type Action
Recommended Action Operations & Finance Committee recommended approval
Subject: H. Resolution to request adoption of a Local Act of the General Assembly establishing a Community Improvement District along Eisenhower Parkway between Interstate 75 and Interstate 475
Meeting: Feb 18, 2014 - MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Category: 9. OLD BUSINESS
Access: Public
Type: Action
Recommended Action: Economic & Community Development Committee recommends adoption

File Attachments
Eisenhower Improvement.pdf (157 KB)

Subject: I. Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission approving the request of Jeremy Bryant to put a fireworks display at Arrowhead Park on Memorial Day Weekend
Meeting: Feb 18, 2014 - MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Category: 9. OLD BUSINESS
Access: Public
Type: Action
Recommended Action: Facilities and Engineering Committee recommends adoption

File Attachments
fireworks display.pdf (88 KB)

Subject: J. Resolution regarding a Disparity Study
Meeting: Feb 18, 2014 - MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Category: 9. OLD BUSINESS
Access: Public
Type: Action
Recommended Action: Operations & Finance Committee recommends approval as amended

File Attachments
Disparity Study 2014.pdf (86 KB)

10. NEW BUSINESS

Subject: A. Supplemental Budget Requests
Meeting: Feb 18, 2014 - MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Category: 10. NEW BUSINESS
Access Public
Type Action
Recommended Action Refer to Operations and Finance Committee

Subject B. Resolution appointing agents to Pension Plan
Meeting Feb 18, 2014 - MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Category 10. NEW BUSINESS
Access Public
Type Action
Recommended Action Adopt

File Attachments
Appointment of Agents of Pension Plan.pdf (9 KB)

11. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

Building a Better Macon - Bibb County
MINUTES OF PRE-COMMISSION MEETING
MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION
February 4, 2014 – 5:00 P.M.
Government Center
(Large Conference Room)

The Pre-Commission meeting of the Macon-Bibb County Commission was held on February 4, 2014 at 5:00 P.M. in the large conference at Government Center.

Commission Members Present

Mayor Robert A.B. Reichert
Mayo Pro Tem Bert Bivins, III
Commissioner Gary Bechtel
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Commissioner Mallory Jones, III

Commissioner Ed DeFore
Commissioner Scotty Shepherd
Commissioner Virgil Watkins
Commissioner Al Tillman
Commissioner Larry Schlesinger

Staff Present

Dale Walker – County Manager
Judd Drake – County Attorney
Stuart Morelli – Asst. County Attorney
Shelia Thurmond – Clerk of Commission
Charles Conley – Asst. Co. Mgr. (Operations)
Chris Floore – Asst. to Co. Mgr. - Public Affairs
Julie Moore – Asst. to Co. Mgr. - Strategic Planning & Budget
Jean S. Howard – Asst. Clerk of Commission
Janice Ross – Training & Events Coordinator
Sam Henderson – Executive Asst. to the Commission

Guests/Visitors

Attorney Tom Richardson
Attorney Duke Groover

News Media Present

Jim Gaines – The Telegraph
Katelyn Heck – 13 WMAZ

The Pre-Commission meeting was called to order by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert. The Mayor reviewed the agenda items for tonight’s Regular Commission Meeting at 6:00 P.M., and stated that all items under New Business would be referred to a committee.

AGENDA ITEMS:

PRAYER – Reverend David Stanley - Union Baptist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Pre-Commission Meeting on January 21, 2014
B. Regular Commission Meeting on January 21, 2014
C. Special Called Meeting on January 28, 2014
INVITED GUESTS

Reverend David Stanley – Union Baptist Church
Mayor Reichert wanted to publicly recognize the Emergency Management Agency and its Partners for their hard work and for making Macon-Bibb County look good during the recent snowstorm on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 28th & 29th.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

NA

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND DEPARTMENTS

The Mayor asked Committee Chairs to give a brief report or statement for the record on action taken during their committee meeting on January 28th to include who was elected Chair and Vice Chair of the committee, any action taken and other matters considered during the meetings.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Resolution (Item D) recognizing February 2014 as Black History Month was moved to the Consent Agenda for presentation at tonight’s Regular Commission meeting. The Resolution was read by Mayor Reichert in its entirety. The Mayor also requested that Commission Clerk, Shelia Thurmond, read the Resolution in its entirety at tonight’s Regular Commission meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

NA

NEW BUSINESS

A. A Resolution for Pension Changes for new Macon-Bibb County Pension Plan. 
   To Be Referred To: Operations and Finance Committee

B. A Resolution calling for a Social Security Referendum. 
   To Be Referred To: Operations and Finance Committee

C. A Resolution recognizing Ingleside Baptist Church for honoring the Commissioners during the first of the year. 
   To Be Referred To: Economic and Community Development Committee

D. A Resolution recognizing February 2014 as Black History Month.

The Resolution was moved to the Consent Agenda for action at tonight’s Commission meeting at the request of Commissioner Lucas. Commissioner Lucas stated that she, as a member of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission, along with Commissioner Schlesinger, and possibly others present, could accept the Resolution at tonight’s meeting. There was unanimous consent to move this item to the Consent Agenda at tonight’s Commission meeting.

Commissioner DeFore was not present.

It was further noted that a proclamation designating February 2014 as Black History Month had been prepared for presentation.

E. A Resolution for the Tax Commissioner to be delegated authority to waive certain penalties and interest.
   *To Be Referred To:* Operations and Finance Committee

F. A Resolution to rename Freedom Park Gym.
   *To Be Referred To:* Facilities and Engineering Committee

G. A Resolution to increase jury pay per request of the Grand Jury.
   *To Be Referred To:* Operations and Finance Committee

H. A Resolution requesting that the local Legislative Delegation creates the Eisenhower Community Improvement District (CID).
   *To Be Referred To:* Economic and Community Development Committee

I. A Resolution to adopt a policy for renaming parks, facilities, and streets owned by Macon-Bibb County.
   *To Be Referred To:* Facilities and Engineering Committee

J. A Resolution to request that Macon-Bibb County issue a Request for Qualifications for consulting services to analyze existing procurement practices to determine if a Disparity Study may be necessary.
   *To Be Referred To:* Operations and Finance Committee

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor announced that County Attorney, Judd Drake, requested the attorneys representing the Consolidated Government meet with Commissioners in executive session to discuss pending litigation.

On motion of Commissioner Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Shepherd, and carried unanimously, the meeting went into Executive Session at 5:15 p.m.


Commissioner DeFore arrived.

On motion of Commissioner Watkins, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger, and carried unanimously, the meeting was re-opened at 5:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, and on motion by Commissioner DeFore, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger, the meeting was adjourned.

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Sheila Thumond, CCC
Clerk of Commission
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION
February 4, 2014 – 6:00 P.M.
Government Center
(Commission Chamber)

The Regular Meeting of the Macon-Bibb County Commission was held on February 4, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. in the Commission Chamber at Government Center.

Commission Members Present

Mayor Robert A.B. Reichert
Mayor Pro Tem Bert Bivins, III
Commissioner Gary Bechtel
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Commissioner Mallory Jones, III

Commissioner Ed DeFore
Commissioner Scotty Shepherd
Commissioner Virgil Watkins
Commissioner Al Tillman
Commissioner Larry Schlesinger

Staff Present

Dale Walker – County Manager
Julie Moore – Asst. to Co. Mgr., Strategic Planning & Budget
Judd Drake – County Attorney
Stuart Morelli – Asst. County Attorney
Charles Coney – Asst. County Manager – Operations
Sheila Thurmond – Clerk of Commission
Jean S. Howard – Asst. Clerk of Commission
Janice Ross – Training & Events Coordinator
Chris Floore – Asst. to Co. Mgr., Public Affairs
Don Druitt – EMA Director
Rodney Roberson – Deputy EMA Director
Sam Henderson – Exec. Asst. to the Commissioners
Grant Faulkner – Information Technology
Sam Kitchens – Buildings & Properties
Robbie Ryals – Buildings & Properties
Cliff Howard – Engineering Operations

News Media Present

Jim Gaines – The Telegraph
Katelyn Heck – 13 WMAZ

Guests In Attendance

Gwennette Westbrooks – President, Macon NAACP
Erica Woodford – Clerk, Bibb Superior Court
Lucille Clark
Freeman Lester

CALLED TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert.
PRAYER

The prayer was rendered by Rev. David Stanley of Union Baptist Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Ed DeFore, seconded by Commissioner Gary Bechtel, and carried unanimously, the minutes of the Pre-Commission and Regular Commission meetings held on January 21st and Special Called Meeting on January 28th were approved as presented.

Unanimous approval by Commissioners Bert Bivins, Ill, Gary Bechtel, Larry Schlesinger, Elaine Lucas, Mallory Jones, Ill, Ed DeFore, Scotty Shepherd, Virgil Watkins, Jr., and Al Tillman.

RECOGNITION OF INVITED GUESTS

Rev. David Stanley of Union Baptist Church
Rev. Stanley was invited to provide the prayer for tonight’s Regular Commission meeting.

Don Druitt, EMA Director, EMA Staff and EMA Partners
Mayor Reichert presented a Proclamation proclaiming the week of February 3-7, 2014 as Severe Weather Awareness Week to Emergency Management Agency Director Don Druitt, his staff, and other Emergency Management Agency partners. The Mayor expressed his and the Commissioners’ appreciation for their hard work and services provided throughout the community, and especially on last week during the ice storm. Accompanying Director Druitt were: Deputy Director, Rodney Roberson; EMA Volunteers President, Bob Bradley; volunteers: Tracey Tharpe, James Swint, Clarence Hike, Bo Stanley, Ron Barthelt, Wes Patton, Bonnie Canady, Joe Sledge, Ed Barbee, and Don Cumbie. Director Druitt also thanked the Volunteer Response Team for services rendered in the aftermath of the ice storm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND DEPARTMENTS

Operations and Finance Committee

Committee Chairman Bechtel reported his committee met last week and elected officers. Gary Bechtel was elected Chairman and Commissioner Elaine Lucas was elected Vice-Chair. The other committee members are Commissioners: Virgil Watkins, Scotty Shepherd, and Larry Schlesinger.

The Committee dealt with qualifying fees for offices during the upcoming March qualifying
period. This needed to be done quickly so the fees could be properly posted to make the qualifying fees known to those seeking office. He also reported Jeannetta Watson, Macon-Bibb County Board of Elections Supervisor, presented her budgetary needs to the Committee. It was recommended that the County Manager and his staff review the numbers and bring their findings back to the committee for further discussion at their next meeting on February 11th.

**Economic and Community Development Committee**

Committee Chairman Larry Schlesinger reported his committee met on Tuesday January 28th and elected officers. Commissioner Larry Schlesinger was elected Chairman and Commissioner Al Tillman was elected Vice Chair. The other committee members are Commissioners: Elaine Lucas, Virgil Watkins, and Ed DeFore. He reported that Commissioner Lucas asked for an update or report on seniors’ facilities programming, as well as the recreation master plan. He stated this would probably be on his committee’s agenda at their next meeting on February 11th.

**Public Safety Committee**

Committee Chairman Scotty Shepherd reported his committee met on last week and elected officers. Scotty Shepherd was elected Chairman and Commissioner Virgil Watkins was elected Vice Chair. The other committee members are Commissioners: Elaine Lucas, Mallory Jones, and Larry Schlesinger.

**Facilities and Engineering Committee**

Committee Chairman Al Tillman reported his committee met and elected officers. Commissioner Al Tillman was elected Chairman and Commissioner Mallory Jones was elected Vice Chair. The other committee members are Commissioners: Ed DeFore, Gary Bechtel, and Scotty Shepherd.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Reichert stated that by unanimous consent Item D was moved from New Business to the Consent Agenda at tonight’s meeting.

D. A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission to recognize the month of February 2014 as Black History Month; and for other purposes. The Mayor asked the Clerk to read the Resolution in its entirety.

- The Clerk of Commission, Shelia Thurmond, read the Resolution in its entirety in recognition of Black History Month celebrating the individuals and occasions having a significant impact on African-American history in America.

The Resolution was unanimous adopted by Commissioners Bert Bivins, III, Gary Bechtel, Larry Schlesinger, Elaine Lucas, Mallory Jones, III, Ed DeFore, Scotty Shepherd, Virgil Watkins, Jr., and Al Tillman.

**OLD BUSINESS**
NEW BUSINESS

A. A Resolution for Pension Changes for New Macon-Bibb County Pension Plan.

- Clerk read by caption: A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission to adopt the second amendment to the Macon-Bibb County Pension Plan of 1968 so as to provide for participation of employees hired on or after January 1, 2014; and for other purposes.

- Referred To: Operations and Finance Committee

B. A Resolution calling for a Social Security Referendum.

- Clerk read by caption: A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission requesting that the State of Georgia Social Security Coordinator be notified of Macon-Bibb County’s desire to hold a referendum by its employees participating in or eligible for the Bibb County Plan and Macon Plan A, so as to allow said employees to remain covered by Social Security under a new 218 Agreement between Macon-Bibb County and the Social Security Administration; and for other purposes.

- Referred To: Operations and Finance Committee

C. A Resolution recognizing Ingleside Baptist Church for honoring Commissioners.

- Clerk read by caption: A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb Commission to recognize with heartfelt gratitude, Dr. Tim McCoy and the people of Ingleside Baptist Church for their prayful support; and for other purposes.

- Referred To: Economic and Community Development Committee

D. A Resolution recognizing February 2014 as Black History Month.

- This item was moved to the Consent Agenda by unanimous consent.

E. A Resolution for Tax Commissioner to be delegated authority to waive certain penalties and interest.

- Clerk read by caption: A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission delegating to the Tax Commissioner of Bibb County the authority to waive the collection of amounts representing penalties and interest assessed for failure
to pay Ad Valorem Taxes; for other purposes.

- Referred To: Operations and Finance Committee

F. A Resolution to rename Freedom Park Gym.

- Clerk read by caption: A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission to rename the gym at Freedom Park in honor of Bishop Frank Ray; and for other purposes.

- Referred To: Facilities and Engineering Committee

G. A Resolution to increase jury pay per request of Grand Jury.

- Clerk read by caption: A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission setting the compensation rate for the first day of service for Grand and Traverse Jurors at twenty-five dollars; and for other purposes.

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H. A Resolution requesting that the local Legislative Delegation create Eisenhower Community Improvement District.

- Clerk read by caption: A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission to request the adoption of a Local Act of the General Assembly establishing a Community Improvement District along Eisenhower Parkway between Interstate 75 and Interstate 475; and for other purposes.

- Referred To: Economic and Community Development Committee

I. A Resolution to adopt a policy for naming and renaming parks, facilities, and streets owned by Macon-Bibb County.

- Clerk read by caption: A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission to adopt a policy for naming and renaming parks, facilities, and streets owned by Macon-Bibb County; and for other purposes.

- Referred To: Facilities and Engineering Committee

J. A Resolution to request that Macon-Bibb County issues a Request for Qualifications for consulting services to determine if a Disparity Study may be necessary.

- Clerk read by caption: A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission to request that the Procurement Department issues a Request for Qualifications for consulting services to analyze existing procurement practices to determine
if a Disparity Study may be necessary services to analyze existing procurement practices to determine if a Disparity Study may be necessary; and for other purposes.

- Referred To: Operations and Finance Committee

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Patricia Faye Ivey Brown asked that respect be given her and her family as well as to all people throughout the world.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and on motion by Commissioner DeFore, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.


Sheila Thurmond, CCC
Clerk of Commission
A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION TO RECOGNIZE WITH HEARTFELT GRATITUDE, DR. TIM MCCOY AND THE PEOPLE OF INGLESIDE BAPTIST CHURCH FOR THEIR PRAYERFUL SUPPORT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, on January 5, 2014, Ingleside Baptist Church, led by their Senior Pastor, Dr. Tim McCoy, invited the Mayor, Commissioners, and their families, to attend the first Sunday service of the new year, so as to ask God’s blessings on this new beginning for our community and to pray over each of the new leaders; and

WHEREAS, the good people of Ingleside Baptist Church gave us such a warm welcome and made us feel so much at home; and

WHEREAS, Ingleside Baptist Church introduced us and extended well wishes and treated us like old friends; and

WHEREAS, the Pastor and the members of Ingleside Baptist Church prayed for us and our families and for the wisdom we might have for our community; and

WHEREAS, Ingleside Baptist Church fed us and gave us the gift of fellowship and a personal Bible, so that we might remember this special day.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same that we recognize with heartfelt gratitude, Dr. Tim McCoy and the people of Ingleside Baptist Church, for your prayerful support on January 5, 2014.

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SO RESOLVED this _____ day of ______________, 2014.

ROBERT A. B. REICHERT, MAYOR

BERT BIVINS III, MAYOR PRO TEM

GARY BECHTEL, COMMISSIONER

LARRY SCHLESINGER, COMMISSIONER

ELAINE H. LUCAS, COMMISSIONER

MALLORY C. JONES III, COMMISSIONER

ED DEFORE, COMMISSIONER

W. F. "SCOTTY" SHEPHERD, COMMISSIONER

VIRGIL WATKINS, COMMISSIONER

AL TILLMAN, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:
Clerk of the Commission
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMISSION OF MACON-BIBB COUNTY, GEORGIA TO APPROPRIATE $125,460 FROM FUND BALANCE TO BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO FUND UNEXPECTED EXPENSES DUE TO INCREASED NUMBER OF ELECTIONS IN BIBB COUNTY OCCURING PRIOR TO JUNE 30, 2014.

Purpose: To allocate $125,460 to Board of Elections for salaries, purchase of equipment, and other items related to administering elections in Bibb County.

WHEREAS, Commission did by ordinance on the 31st of December, 2013, adopt a budget for the operation of the City Functions for Fiscal Year 2014, said ordinance having become effective January 1, 2014 and having been amended by Mayor and Commission from time to time as necessary; and

WHEREAS, various supplemental budget adjustments are necessary to conduct the affairs of the City and to implement the policies of the governing body.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commission of Macon-Bibb County, Georgia, and it is hereby so ordained by the authority of the same that the additional sums of money itemized on the pages to follow, attached hereto as No. 1, for the various operations of Macon-Bibb County be hereby appropriated, and those sums in parentheses are hereby disappropriated for the line item appearing opposite same.

All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with this provision are hereby repealed.

SO ORDAINED this ______ day of ______________, 2014.

____________________________________
Mayor
Macon-Bibb County
January 1, 2014 to June 30, 2014
Budget Amendment

Amendment Number: 1
Supplemental X
Department

Date of Request: 2/11/2014 Department: Board of Elections
Administrative (check a box)

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Sponsor: Robert A.B. Reichert

A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION TO ADOPT THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE BIBB COUNTY PENSION PLAN OF 1968 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR PARTICIPATION OF EMPLOYEES HIRED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2014; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Bibb County, Georgia (the “County”) established the Bibb County Pension Plan of 1968, first effective December 17, 1968, which was recently amended and restated effective January 1, 2011 (the “Plan”);

WHEREAS, effective January 1, 2014, Bibb County, Georgia and the City of Macon, Georgia governments were restructured into a new political body corporate known as Macon-Bibb County, Georgia;

WHEREAS, the Plan was amended by the Board of Commissioners of the County effective January 1, 2014, to reflect the restructuring of governments by transferring sponsorship of the Plan to Macon-Bibb County (the “Employer”) and to exclude new employees of the restructured government who are hired on and after January 1, 2014, from participating in the Plan;

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to amend the Plan to provide for participation by employees hired on and after January 1, 2014, and to amend certain other provisions of the Plan with respect to those employees; and

WHEREAS, Article XI of the Plan allows the Plan to be amended by the Employer at any time by a written instrument authorized by the Macon-Bibb County Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same that the Second Amendment to the Bibb County Pension Plan of 1968, a copy of which is attached hereto and a part hereof, is hereby adopted by the Macon-Bibb County Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any resolution in conflict with this resolution is hereby repealed.

SO RESOLVED this _____ day of ___________________, 2014.

_________________________
ROBERT A.B. REICHERT, MAYOR

ATTEST: __________________________________________
Clerk of the Commission

(SEAL)
SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE BIBB COUNTY PENSION PLAN OF 1968

WHEREAS, Bibb County, Georgia (the "County") established the Bibb County Pension Plan of 1968, first effective December 17, 1968, which was recently amended and restated effective January 1, 2011 (the "Plan");

WHEREAS, effective January 1, 2014, Bibb County, Georgia and the City of Macon, Georgia governments were restructured into a new political body corporate known as Macon-Bibb County, Georgia;

WHEREAS, the Plan was amended by the Board of Commissioners of the County effective January 1, 2014, to reflect the restructuring of governments by transferring sponsorship of the Plan to Macon-Bibb County (the "Employer") and to exclude new employees of the restructured government who are hired on and after January 1, 2014, from participating in the Plan;

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to amend the Plan to provide for participation by employees hired on and after January 1, 2014, and to amend certain other provisions of the Plan with respect to those employees; and

WHEREAS, Article XI of the Plan allows the Plan to be amended by the Employer at any time by a written instrument authorized by the Macon-Bibb County Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Plan is hereby amended as indicated herein:

1. The name of the Plan shall become "The Macon-Bibb County Pension Plan" as of January 1, 2014.

2. Article I of the Plan, Definitions, "Early Retirement Date" is hereby amended to add the following to the end thereof:

"For Employees hired on and after January 1, 2014, Early Retirement Age means the date the Participant attains at least age fifty-five (55) and has completed at least twenty (20) Years of Service."

3. Article I of the Plan, Definitions, "Eligible Employee" is hereby amended by adding new subparagraphs (d), (e), (f) and (g) under the introductory phrase "Eligible Employee means, except as noted in the following paragraph, the following":

"(d) Employees and officers of the Macon- Bibb County Planning and Zoning Commission hired on and after January 1, 2014.

(e) Tax commissioners first elected on and after July 1, 2012;

(f) Tax commissioner’s employees hired or rehired on and after July 1, 2012;

(g) Judges of Magistrate Court.

4. Article I of the Plan, Definitions, and "Eligible Employee" is hereby amended by replacing subparagraph (e) and adding a new subparagraph (p) under the phrase "Notwithstanding the foregoing, the following Employees shall not be Eligible Employees" to read as follows:
“(c) Employees and officers of the Macon- Bibb County Planning and Zoning Commission hired prior to January 1, 2014.”

“(p) Juvenile Court judges.”

5. Article I of the Plan, Definitions, “Normal Retirement Age” is hereby amended to add the following to the end thereof:

“For Law Enforcement Participants hired on and after January 1, 2014, Normal Retirement Age means the earlier of the date the Law Enforcement Participant attains age sixty (60) with ten (10) Years of Service or completes thirty (30) Years of Service.”

6. Article 1 of the Plan, Definitions, “Service” is hereby amended to add a new subsection (j) to immediately follow subsection (i) as follows:

“(j) For Employees hired on and after January 1, 2014, Service shall not include periods of employment after 34 Years of Service.

7. Section 2.01 of the Plan, “Eligibility” is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:

“An Eligible Employee hired or rehired on or after January 1, 2014, shall become a Participant in the Plan on the first day as of which he becomes an Eligible Employee as defined in Article I hereof.”

8. Section 2.07 of the Plan, “Restructured Government” is hereby amended by adding a new subsection (d) to read as follows:

“(d) Any Eligible Employee who was formerly employed by the City of Macon, Georgia or Bibb County, Georgia, prior to January 1, 2014, and is reemployed by Macon-Bibb County on or after January 1, 2014, shall participate in this Plan as a new Employee as of his date of reemployment and shall come under the terms of the Plan in effect on his or her reemployment date. Provided, however, if such reemployed Eligible Employee (i) was 100% vested in his benefits under the retirement system sponsored by the City of Macon, Georgia or Bibb County, Georgia, as of his previous Termination of Employment or (ii) was not 100% vested in his benefits under such retirement system as of his previous Termination of Employment but has not incurred a Five-Year Break in Service, he shall receive Service credit from his previous period of employment with the City of Macon, Georgia and/or Bibb County, Georgia for vesting purposes only.”

9. The effective date of this Amendment shall be January 1, 2014.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Macon-Bibb County, Georgia has caused this Second Plan Amendment to be effective as stated herein, executed as of this ___ day of ____________, 2014, in its name, by and through the Macon-Bibb County Commission.

MACON-BIBB COUNTY, GEORGIA

By: ____________________________
Title: ____________________________

By: ____________________________
Witness
A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION REQUESTING THAT THE STATE OF GEORGIA SOCIAL SECURITY COORDINATOR BE NOTIFIED OF MACON-BIBB COUNTY'S DESIRE TO HOLD A REFERENDUM BY ITS EMPLOYEES PARTICIPATING IN OR ELIGIBLE FOR THE BIBB COUNTY PLAN AND MACON PLAN A, SO AS TO ALLOW SAID EMPLOYEES TO REMAIN COVERED BY SOCIAL SECURITY UNDER A NEW 218 AGREEMENT BETWEEN MACON-BIBB COUNTY AND THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, all employees of Bibb County, Georgia ("Bibb County") participating in the Bibb County Pension Plan of 1968 (the "Bibb County Plan") were covered under Social Security pursuant to a Section 218 agreement between the County and the Social Security Administration; and

WHEREAS, all employees of the City of Macon, Georgia ("Macon") participating in the Macon Pension and Retirement System, Division A ("Macon Plan A") were covered under Social Security pursuant to a Section 218 Agreement between the City and the Social Security Administration; and

WHEREAS, effective January 1, 2014, the Bibb County and Macon governments were restructured into a new political body corporate known as Macon-Bibb County, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, with the dissolution of Bibb County and Macon, the respective Section 218 Agreements with the Social Security Administration have expired; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to have all employees participating in the Bibb County Plan (whether hired before or after the government restructuring) and all employees participating in the City of Macon Plan A, to continue to be covered by Social Security on and after January 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, in order for said employees to be covered under Social Security, Macon-Bibb County must enter into a new 218 Agreement with the Social Security Administration; and

WHEREAS, the Social Security Administration requires the State of Georgia to conduct a referendum for those employees who would be covered under a new 218 Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same that Macon-Bibb County shall notify the State of Georgia Social Security Coordinator of its desire to hold a referendum by employees participating in
or eligible for the Bibb County Plan and Macon Plan A, to remain covered by Social Security under a new 218 Agreement between Macon-Bibb County and the Social Security Administration.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Human Resources Department is instructed to contact the Social Security Coordinator for the State of Georgia to begin the referendum process as soon as practical.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any resolution in conflict with this resolution is hereby repealed.

**SO RESOLVED** this _____ day of February, 2014.

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ROBERT A. B. REICHERT, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____________________
Clerk of the Commission

(SEAL)
A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION DELEGATING TO THE TAX COMMISSIONER OF BIBB COUNTY THE AUTHORITY TO WAIVE THE COLLECTION OF AMOUNTS REPRESENTING PENALTIES AND INTEREST ASSESSED FOR FAILURE TO PAY AD VALOREM TAXES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. § 48-5-242 (a) authorizes the Macon-Bibb County Commission, as the taxing authority, to delegate to the Tax Commissioner of Bibb County the authority to waive, in whole or in part, the collection of any amount due the Macon-Bibb County Commission, when such an amount represents a penalty or an amount of interest assessed for failure to comply with the laws governing the assessment and collection of ad valorem taxes, when the Tax Commissioner reasonably determines that the default giving rise to the penalty was due to reasonable cause and not due to gross or willful neglect or disregard of the law or of regulations or instructions issued pursuant to the law, and when the interest to be waived accrues on or after July 1, 2002; and

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. § 48-5-242 (c) provides that a resolution delegating such authority may establish rules and regulations governing the administration of this code section and establish guidelines to be followed by the Tax Commissioner when granting such waivers; and

WHEREAS, Bibb County Tax Commissioner Thomas W. Tedders, Jr., has submitted a written request, attached hereto, asking that he be delegated such authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same that the authority to waive amounts representing penalties and the authority to waive the collection of amounts assessed as interest as described hereinabove pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 48-5-242 be and is hereby delegated to the Tax Commissioner of Bibb County. The delegation of this authority shall be subject to the following conditions:

1. All such decisions by the Tax Commissioner shall be made only in those instances which fall within the guidelines set forth in the above provisions of Georgia law. That is, that waivers should only be granted when the Tax Commissioner reasonably determines that the default giving rise to the penalty or interest was due to reasonable cause and not due to gross or willful neglect or disregard of the law or of regulations or instructions issued pursuant to the law, and when the interest to be waived accrues
on or after July 1, 2002. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 48-5-242 (c), in the case of penalties or interest arising from the failure of the taxpayer to comply with the terms, conditions, or covenants required with respect to properties receiving any type of preferential assessment, the Tax Commissioner shall not be authorized to waive any portion of the penalty or interest that represents a recovery by the Macon-Bibb County Commission of any amount by which taxes were reduced as a result of the granting of such preferential assessment.

2. That the Tax Commissioner provide quarterly written reports to the Macon-Bibb County Commission and the County Manager of the instances where waivers of penalties and/or interest have been granted.

Nothing in this resolution shall preclude the Tax Commissioner of Bibb County from presenting the Macon-Bibb County Commission any request on behalf of property owners for waiver of penalties and/or interest.

SO RESOLVED this _____ day of ________________, 2014.

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ROBERT A.B. REICHERT, MAYOR

ATTEST: __________________________
Clerk of the Commission

(SEAL)
Thomas W. Tedders, Jr.
Tax Commissioner

January 2, 2014

Mayor Robert Reichert
Macon-Bibb County Board of Commissioners
700 Poplar St
Macon, GA 31201

Re: Authority to Waive Penalties and Interest Assessed for Failure to Pay Ad Valorem Taxes

Dear Mayor Reichert,

The former Board of Commissioners for Bibb County passed a resolution delegating to the Tax Commissioner of Bibb County the authority to waive the collection of amounts representing penalties and interest assessed for failure to pay ad valorem taxes. The authority was passed pursuant to O.C.G.A § 48-5-242(c). I have attached a copy of the previous resolution.

The only time the Tax Commissioner’s Office waives any late fee is when the late fee was assessed due to some error on our part or that of another agency involved in the taxation process. If you choose not to grant this authority, please advise me to whom, where and how the requests for relief should be sent and handled.

Please notify me of your decision, so that I may know how to proceed. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Thomas W. Tedders, Jr.
Bibb County Tax Commissioner

(478) 621-6300
ttedders@co.bibb.ga.us
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BIBB COUNTY, GEORGIA DELEGATING TO THE TAX COMMISSIONER OF BIBB COUNTY THE AUTHORITY TO WAIVE THE COLLECTION OF AMOUNTS REPRESENTING PENALTIES AND INTEREST ASSESSED FOR FAILURE TO PAY AD VALOREM TAXES

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 48-5-242(c), the Board of Commissioners has by previous resolution delegated to the Tax Commissioner of Bibb County the authority to waive, in whole or in part, the collection of amounts which represent a penalty assessed for failure to comply with the laws governing the assessment and collection of ad valorem taxes, when the Tax Commissioner reasonably determines that the default giving rise to the penalty was due to reasonable cause and not due to gross or willful neglect or disregard of the law or of regulations or instructions issued pursuant to the law; and,

WHEREAS, since the adoption of the previous resolution, O.C.G.A. § 48-5-242 was amended to provide that in addition to the delegation of the authority to waive the collection of amounts assessed as penalties, the taxing authority can also delegate to the Tax Commissioner the authority to waive the collection of amounts assessed as interest so long as the Tax Commissioner reasonably determines that the default giving rise to the penalty or interest was due to reasonable cause and not due to gross or willful neglect or disregard of the law or of regulations or instructions issued pursuant to the law, and when the interest to be waived accrues on or after July 1, 2002; and,

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. § 48-5-242 provides that a resolution delegating such authority may establish rules and regulations governing the administration of this code
section and establish guidelines to be followed by the Tax Commissioner when granting such waivers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Bibb County, Georgia in regular session assembled that the authority to waive penalties and interest as described hereinabove pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 48-5-242 be and is hereby delegated to the Tax Commissioner of Bibb County. The delegation of this authority shall be subject to the following conditions:

1. All such decisions by the Tax Commissioner shall be made only in those instances which fall within the guidelines set forth in the above provision of Georgia law. That is, that waivers should only be granted when the Tax Commissioner reasonably determines that the default giving rise to the penalty or interest was due to reasonable cause and not due to gross or willful neglect or disregard of the law or of regulations or instructions issued pursuant to the law, and when the interest to be waived accrues on or after July 1, 2002.

2. That the Tax Commissioner provide quarterly written reports to the Board of Commissioners License and Tax Committee of the instances where waivers of interest and/or penalties have been granted.

Nothing in this resolution shall preclude the Tax Commissioner of Bibb County from presenting to the Board of Commissioners of Bibb County, either fully assembled or through its License and Tax Committee, any request on behalf of property owners for waiver of interest and/or penalties.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Bibb County has hereunto set his hand and the Clerk has attested her signature and has caused the County seal to be affixed this ___ day of February, 2005.

BIBB COUNTY, GEORGIA

BY: ________________
CHARLES W. BISHOP, Chairman

ATTEST: ________________
SHEILA THURMOND, Clerk

(COUNTY SEAL)
A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION SETTING THE EXPENSE ALLOWANCE RATE FOR THE FIRST DAY OF SERVICE FOR GRAND AND TRAVERSE JURORS AT TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the current expense allowance rate for grand and traverse jurors in Bibb County is twenty dollars ($20.00) for the first day of service and twenty-five dollars ($25.00) for each additional day of service; and

WHEREAS, as far as the Clerk of the Superior Court can determine, Bibb County is unique in having such a different rate for the first day of jury service; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 15-12-7(a)(2) the first Grand Jury of Bibb County impaneled in the fall term of the Superior Court, on October 1, 2013, filed with the Clerk of the Superior Court a precept fixing the expense allowance rate for grand and traverse jurors at twenty-five dollars ($25.00) for each day of service, including the first day; and

WHEREAS, the October 1, 2013 precept was unanimously approved by the Grand Jury of Bibb County; and

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. § 15-12-7(b) requires that any increase in the expense allowance for jurors shall be subject to the approval of the county governing authority; and

WHEREAS, this resolution will benefit and promote the health, safety, morals and welfare of the citizens of the Macon-Bibb County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same that the increased expense allowance rate for the first day of service by grand and traverse jurors to twenty-five dollars ($25.00) a day is approved.

SO RESOLVED this ___ day of ______________, 2014.

___________________________
ROBERT A. B. REICHERT, MAYOR

ATTEST:

___________________________
Clerk of the Commission
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMISSION OF MACON-BIBB COUNTY, GEORGIA TO APPROPRIATE $8,000 FROM FUND BALANCE TO CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT TO FUND AN INCREASE OF FIRST DAY EXPENSE PAY TO $25 PRIOR TO JUNE 30, 2014.

Purpose: To allocate $8,000 to Clerk of Superior Court for Jury Expense.

WHEREAS, Commission did by ordinance on the 31st of December, 2013, adopt a budget for the operation of the City Functions for Fiscal Year 2014, said ordinance having become effective January 1, 2014 and having been amended by Mayor and Commission from time to time as necessary; and

WHEREAS, various supplemental budget adjustments are necessary to conduct the affairs of the City and to implement the policies of the governing body.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Commission of Macon-Bibb County, Georgia, and it is hereby so ordained by the authority of the same that the additional sums of money itemized on the pages to follow, attached hereto as No. 2, for the various operations of Macon-Bibb County be hereby appropriated, and those sums in parentheses are hereby disappropriated for the line item appearing opposite same.

All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with this provision are hereby repealed.

SO ORDAINED this _______ day of ______________, 2014.

Mayor
Macon-Bibb County
January 1, 2014 to June 30, 2014
Budget Amendment

Amendment Number: 2
Supplemental X
Departmental
(choose a box)

Date of Request: 2/11/2014 Department: Board of Elections Administrative
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Reason for Transfer:
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Notes to file:
A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION TO REQUEST THE ADOPTION OF A LOCAL ACT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ESTABLISHING A COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ALONG EISENHOWER PARKWAY BETWEEN INTERSTATE 75 AND INTERSTATE 475; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Eisenhower Parkway has long served as a vital commercial corridor in Macon-Bibb County and was once a vibrant economic engine that drove regional retail sales; and

WHEREAS, in recent years Eisenhower Parkway, and the surrounding commercial and residential areas, have fallen on hard times; and

WHEREAS, Hull Storey Gibson Companies, LLC ("HSG"), owner and operator of the Macon Mall, is working to develop a redevelopment plan for Eisenhower Parkway between Interstates 75 and 475; and

WHEREAS, HSG has found that one of the impediments to the redevelopment of Eisenhower Parkway is the appearance of the road and the adjacent properties and rights-of-way, which includes a mix of vacant retail and restaurant space and uninviting landscaping; and

WHEREAS, Article IX, Section VII of the Georgia Constitution authorizes the General Assembly to establish Community Improvement Districts, which are self-taxing districts that use additional property taxes to help accelerate needed transportation and infrastructure improvement and other authorized community improvement projects; and

WHEREAS, this resolution will benefit and promote the health, safety, morals and welfare of the citizens of the Macon-Bibb County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same that the Macon-Bibb County Delegation is hereby requested to introduce legislation in the General Assembly establishing a Community
Improvement District that will generally include the properties around Eisenhower Parkway between Interstate 75 and Interstate 475.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the approval of this Resolution, the County Attorney shall forward a copy of this Resolution to all members of the Macon-Bibb County legislative delegation.

SO RESOLVED this ____ day of ____________, 2014.

ROBERT A. B. REICHERT, MAYOR

ATTEST: ____________________________
Clerk of the Commission
A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION APPROVING THE REQUEST OF JEREMY BRYANT TO PUT ON A FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT ARROWHEAD PARK ON MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Arrowhead Park is located within the Tobesofkee Recreation Area that is owned and operated by Macon-Bibb County; and

WHEREAS, Jeremy Bryant has made an application to the Director of the Tobesofkee Recreation Area for permission to put on a small fireworks display at Arrowhead Park on May 24, 2014 during the Memorial Day weekend; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bryant has contracted with a professional pyrotechnics company to put on an approximately 10 to 12 minute fireworks show using small mortar fireworks; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to state law, Mr. Bryant and his contractor must obtain a fireworks permit from the Probate Court of Bibb County and the approval of the Macon-Bibb County Fire Department prior to holding a fireworks display; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bryant is in the process of obtaining all necessary permits and approvals for the requested fireworks display; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bryant will bear the full cost associated with putting on the requested fireworks display and approval of this request will not require any additional county money; and

WHEREAS, this resolution will benefit and promote the health, safety, morals and welfare of the citizens of the Macon-Bibb County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same that Jeremy Bryant’s request to hold a small fireworks display at Arrowhead Park on the night of May 24, 2014 is conditionally approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Manager and the Director of the Tobesofkee Recreation Area are given authority to issue final approval of the requested fireworks display upon Mr. Bryant providing evidence that a permit has been obtained from the Probate Court of Bibb County, approval has been given by the Macon-Bibb County Fire Department and the Bibb County Sheriff’s Office, and that Mr. Bryant and/or his contractor provide a general liability insurance policy for a minimum of $1,000,000 with Macon-Bibb County listed as additionally insured. The County Manager and the Director of the Tobesofkee
Recreation Area are further given the authority to require any further reasonable conditions designed to protect the health and safety of the public they deem necessary for final approval.

SO RESOLVED this ___ day of _______________, 2014.

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ROBERT A. B. REICHERT, MAYOR

ATTEST:
Clerk of the Commission

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION TO REQUEST THAT MACON-BIBB COUNTY BEGIN THE PROCESS OF FUNDING AND HIRING A DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS AFFAIRS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF THE DATE AND INFORMATION NECESSARY TO CONDUCT A DISPARITY STUDY; AND TO PROVIDE FOR MONITORING TO ENSURE THAT MINORITY AND SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISES ARE BEING PROVIDED MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITIES TO CONTRAT WITH MACON-BIBB COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, disparity studies are systemic analysis of whether disparity exists in a community between the capacity of certain qualified firms to participate in that community’s local economy and the number of those firms that actually do participate in the local economy; and

WHEREAS, a result of the science documented in the disparity study, public policy can be implemented to craft specific short-term remedial measures to increase participation by those underutilized firms; and

WHEREAS, the City of Macon attempted to complete its first and only disparity study in 1996, with the assistance of Dr. Tommy Boston of the Georgia Institute of Technology; and

WHEREAS, this study has not been updated since its completion 15 years ago; and

WHEREAS, the circumstances in Macon and Bibb County are likely quite different today than they were in 1996. For instance we know that:

1. The demographics and composition of the community have shifted substantially;
2. The City and County governments are now consolidated;
3. The prevailing case law related to remedial action to correct disparities has changed and evolved over the last 15 years;
4. Technology is vastly different now than it was 15 years ago;
5. There are likely to be other differences/changes that can only be identified by undertaking such a study; and

WHEREAS, at its final meeting on December 17, 2013, the Bibb County Board of Commissioners unanimously recommended that the new consolidated government commission a disparity study; and
WHEREAS, Section 32 of the Macon-Bibb County Charter calls for the creation of a new Office of Small Business Affairs that, among other duties, is charged with increasing opportunities for small, local, minority, women and other historically underutilized businesses; and

WHEREAS, a new disparity study could serve to provide empirical evidence for the Office of Small Business Affairs to utilize in carrying out its duties; and

WHEREAS, such a study could also create justifications for the establishment competent standards, goals, timetables, and policies; and

WHEREAS, the hiring of a Director of the Office of Small Business Affairs and the collection of data concerning MBE status, race, gender and ethnicity information of businesses contracting with Macon-Bibb County, along with monitoring to ensure that minority and small business enterprises are provided meaningful opportunities to contract with Macon-Bibb County will help lay the necessary groundwork for preparation of a disparity study for Macon-Bibb County; and

WHEREAS, this resolution will benefit and promote the health, safety, morals and welfare of the citizens of the Macon-Bibb County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same that Macon-Bibb County should, as soon as practically possible, have the County Manager, or his designee, prepare an Amended Budget Change (ABC) to provide for the approval by the Commission of the necessary funding for the Director of the Office of Small Business Affairs, and the County Manager or his designee shall also prepare a job description for said Director and begin advertising said position as soon as reasonably possible with the goal of filling said position in sixty (60) to ninety (90) days.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, to provide for the collection of the data and information necessary to prepare a disparity study, the Macon-Bibb County Compliance Officer shall draft a demographic self-disclosure form which shall be included by the Macon-Bibb County Purchasing Department as part of the mandated paperwork submitted in procurements and bids for all potential/current vendors allowing disclosure of MBE status, race, gender and ethnicity information of their business based on employee demographics or designation of the representing officer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in furtherance of the policy of Macon-Bibb County to ensure that minority and small business enterprises are provided meaningful
opportunities to contract with Macon-Bibb County, the compliance officer and the purchasing department of Macon-Bibb County shall monitor the contractors and their subcontractors, if any, doing business with Macon-Bibb County to help ensure and encourage that the goals and objectives of this policy are being met.

SO RESOLVED this _____ day of ________________, 2014.

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ROBERT A. B. REICHERT, MAYOR

ATTEST:
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SHEILA THURMOND, CLERK OF COMMISSION
SPONSOR: MAYOR ROBERT A.B. REICHERT

A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION, AS TRUSTEES OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY PENSION PLAN, (F/K/A THE BIBB COUNTY PENSION PLAN OF 1968), TO APPOIN THE COUNTY MANAGER DALE WALKER; THE FINANCE DIRECTOR CHRISTY IULIUCCI; AND THE ASSISTANT FINANCE DIRECTOR MEGAN McMHAON AS AGENTS OF SAID PLAN WITH THE AUTHORITY TO ACT INDIVIDUALLY ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF EFFECTUATING ALL DIRECTIVES REGARDING THE MONIES OF SAID PENSION PLAN, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO TRANSFERS, LIQUIDATIONS AND PAYMENT OF BILLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by authority of the same, that the Macon-Bibb County Commission, as Trustees of the Macon-Bibb County Pension Plan, (F/K/A The Bibb County Pension Plan of 1968), does hereby appoint the County Manager Dale Walker, the Finance Director Christy Iuliucci, and the Assistant Finance Director Megan McMahon as agents of the Macon-Bibb County Pension with the authority to act individually on behalf of the Commission for the purpose of effectuating all directives regarding the monies of said Pension plan, including but not limited to transfers, liquidations and payment of bills.

SO RESOLVED this ___ day of ________________, 2014.

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ROBERT A.B. REICHERT, MAYOR

ATTEST: ____________________
SHEILA THURMOND, CLERK OF COMMISSION

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