

May 6, 2026

Mayor & Board of Aldermen
City of Vicksburg
P.O. Box 150
Vicksburg, MS 39181

Dear Mayor Willis Thompson:

The Vicksburg-Warren County Chamber of Commerce sincerely appreciate the continued financial support provided by you and the Board of Aldermen. Through your leadership, meaningful progress is being made to improve the economic condition and quality of life for citizens across our community.

As we move forward with our FY 2026 initiatives, I am writing to respectfully request the release of approved and supported funding totaling **\$105,000**. This request reflects the combined investment in key initiatives that advance the City's economic and community development priorities, including:

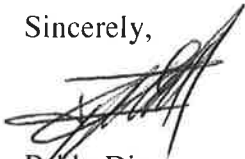
- **\$60,000** – Legacy Chamber of Commerce and community development efforts
- **\$5,000** – The Certified Retirement Community Program, supporting the retiree recruitment.
- **\$40,000** – Economic Development Partnership funding, as authorized by Board resolution, supporting long-term economic development efforts.

As outlined in prior correspondence and the adopted resolution, these investments directly support initiatives that enhance workforce development, attract new residents, and drive sustained economic growth within the City of Vicksburg.

We respectfully request that payment be made payable to the **Vicksburg-Warren County Chamber of Commerce**, 1622 Washington Street, Suite 201, Vicksburg, MS 39180.

Thank you for your continued partnership. We greatly appreciate your support and look forward to building on the progress we have achieved together.

Sincerely,



Pablo Diaz
President and CEO
Vicksburg-Warren Partnership

cc: Mr. Douglas Whittington
Accounting Department

April 16, 2026

Mayor and Board of Aldermen
City of Vicksburg
PO Box 150
Vicksburg, MS 39181

Subject: City FY 2026 Appropriation to the Vicksburg-Warren Chamber of Commerce

Dear Mayor Willis Thompson:

The Vicksburg-Warren County Chamber of Commerce appreciates the financial support provided by the Mayor and Alderman. Significant progress is being made through your support of the Chamber's efforts to improve the quality of life for all citizens in our community.

I am writing to respectfully request the release of the approved funding of \$60,000 to the Vicksburg-Warren County Chamber of Commerce. Please make the \$60,000 check payable to the Vicksburg-Warren County Chamber of Commerce, 1622 Washington St., Suite 201, Vicksburg, MS 39180

Thank you for your continued support.

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***Subject: City FY 2026 Appropriation to the Vicksburg-Warren Retirement
Development Program***

Dear Mayor Willis Thompson:

The Vicksburg-Warren County Chamber of Commerce appreciates the financial support provided by the Mayor and Alderman for the Retirement Development Program. Significant progress is being made through your support of the Chamber's efforts to recruit retirees in Vicksburg.

I am writing to respectfully request the release of the approved funding of \$5,000 to the Vicksburg-Warren County Chamber of Commerce. Please make the \$5,000 check payable to the Vicksburg-Warren County Chamber of Commerce, 1622 Washington St., Suite 201, Vicksburg, MS 39180

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



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Accounting Department

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF EXPENDING FUNDS FOR THE
VICKSBURG-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP**

WHEREAS, on February 16, 2017, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg ("Board") approved the *Resolution in Support of Combining the Job Responsibilities and Duties of the Executive Director of the Warren County Port Commission and Executive Director for the Vicksburg Warren County Chamber of Commerce* hereby agreeing to commit \$20,000 each year for three (3) years to be applied to the annual salary for a selected Executive Director of both the Warren County Port Commission and the Vicksburg Warren County Chamber of Commerce, see Resolution attached as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, on August 8, 2019, the Board agreed to increase funding for the City's contribution to the Economic Development Partnership to \$40,000.00 starting in 2019 for the length of the Economic Development Partnership inter-agency contracts which are set to expire at the end of 2024, see correspondence from Vicksburg Warren Partnership attached as Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2024, the Vicksburg-Warren Economic Development Partnership requested that the Board approve the extension of funding in the amount of \$40,000 to the Vicksburg Warren Chamber of Commerce to cover the duration of the Economic Development Partnership Inter-agency contracts which are now set to expire in 2030; and

WHEREAS, the Board pursuant to Mississippi Code Annotated Section 21-19-44, 1972, amended, is authorized to expend budgeted funds for local economic development organizations like the Vicksburg-Warren Economic Development Partnership; and

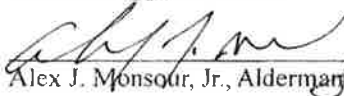
WHEREAS, the Board supports the request of the Vicksburg-Warren Economic Development Partnership and hereby endeavors and commits \$40,000.00 each year to be applied to support the economic development efforts of the Vicksburg-Warren Economic Development Partnership for the length of the Economic Development Partnership inter-agency contracts which expire in 2030.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI that it hereby commits to contribute \$40,000.00 each year to support the economic development efforts of the Vicksburg-Warren Economic Development Partnership for the length of the Economic Development Partnership inter-agency contracts which expire in 2030.


SO RESOLVED, this the 15th day of April 2024.




George Flagg, Jr., Mayor


Alex J. Monsour, Jr., Alderman

ATTEST:


Deborah Nickson, City Clerk