

RESOLUTION REGARDING  
CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD FROM HWY 61 SOUTH  
TO HALLS FERRY ROAD

WHEREAS, the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi has received legislative authority (SB 2926, 2015 Reg Session) to adopt a 2% sales tax on the gross proceeds of hotels and restaurants to for the purpose of providing funds to acquire real property and constructing, equipping, owning, operating, leasing, furnishing and maintaining recreation and tourism venues and facilities if approved by 60% of the voters in an election which is set for June 7, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the City of Vicksburg desires to construct a Sports Complex on 200 acres of property owned by the City located on Fisher Ferry Road and south of where Fisher Ferry Road and Halls Ferry Road intersect; and

WHEREAS, many citizens have expressed concerns over access to the property at Fisher Ferry Road and the need to alleviate traffic on Halls Ferry Road; and

WHEREAS, the Army Corps of Engineers has expressed its desire for a road to be constructed from Hwy 61 S to Halls Ferry Road in order to alleviate the traffic on Halls Ferry Road at ERDC's entrance; and

WHEREAS, the issue has been studied numerous times over the past 25 years; and

WHEREAS, the City has investigated options for financing the construction of an access road and has been advised by Government Consultants that if the 2% restaurant and hotel sales tax passes, the City will have the ability to pay for a \$20,000,000 sports complex and a \$10,000,000 access road without raising ad valorem taxes; and

WHEREAS, the construction of a road in this vicinity is imperative for the growth of this community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI that the City has investigated options for funding the construction of a road and has been advised by Government Consultants that if the 2% restaurant and hotel sales tax passes, the City will have the ability to pay for a \$20,000,000 sports complex and a \$10,000,000 access road without raising ad valorem taxes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the voters approve the 2% hotel and restaurant sales tax for the on the gross proceeds of hotels and restaurants to for the purpose of providing funds to acquire real property and constructing, equipping, owning, operating, leasing, furnishing and maintaining recreation and tourism venues and facilities, then the City will have

the ability to pay for the \$20,000,000. Sports complex and a \$10,000,000. access road.

SO RESOLVED this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2017.

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George Flaggs, Jr., Mayor

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Michael A. Mayfield, Sr., Alderman

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Willis T. Thompson, Alderman

# **CERTIFICATE**

**I, Walter W. Osborne, Jr, the duly appointed, qualified and acting City Clerk and lawful custodian of the Minutes of The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg and Seal of said City, Certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of a Resolution Adopted by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg at a Special Called Board Meeting held on Monday, March 27, 2017.**

**WITNESS my signature and official seal of office this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.**

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**Walter W. Osborne, Jr., City Clerk**