MINUTES HARRISON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION October 3, 2023

A special meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, October 23, 2023, at 8:34 am at the Harrison County Development Commission, Gulfport, Mississippi.

The Commissioners present were Jimmy Levens, Frankie Castiglia, Billy Thornton, Windy Swetman, John Carter, Rip Daniels., James Moody Ollie Bailey Jr., Mark Schloegel, Brian Gollott, Mike Leonard and Warren Conway.

Commissioners Absent: 0

The staff members present were: Executive Director Bill Lavers and Michelle McGraw as recording secretary.

Consultant's present: 0

Public notice of the meeting was posted via our website.

I. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE – OPEN MEETING & CALL TO ORDER After the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance, President Billy Thornton opened the meeting and called to order at this time and acknowledged the public notice was given.

II. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

III. Vote Items

Commissioner Frankie Castiglia motioned the need for an executive session to discuss personnel and legal services, and it was seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Levens. There was no discussion, all in favor of Aye, and the motion carried.

Commissioner Frankie Castiglia motioned to close the meeting to go into executive session to discuss personnel and legal services, and it was seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Levens. There was no discussion, and the affirmative vote of the Commissioners as follows:

Yeas: 12 - Jimmy Levens, Frankie Castiglia, Billy Thornton, Windy Swetman, John Carter, Rip Daniels., James Moody Ollie Bailey Jr., Mark Schloegel, Brian Gollott, Mike Leonard and Warren Conway.

The executive session began at 8:40 am and ended at 9:32 am. No action was taken at this time.

RFQ for Audit and Legal Services

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve the RFQ for Legal Services, and Commissioner Frankie Castiglia seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Aye, and

the motion carried.

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve the RFQ for Audit Services, and Commissioner Frankie Castiglia seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Aye, and the motion carried.

Commissioner James Moody motioned to choose Balch & Bingham for temporary legal services, and it was seconded by Commissioner Rip Daniels. There was no discussion, all in favor of Aye, and the motion carried.

IV. ADJOURN

There was no further business before the Commission, Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to adjourn, and Commissioner James Moody seconded it. The meeting adjourned at 9:37 am on October 3, 2023.

Billy Thornton, President

Windy Swetman III, Secretary