



BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

October 3, 2023

1601 N Columbia St, Suite 220

6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Emily Davis
John Westmoreland
Kendrick Butts
Sammy Hall
Henry Craig

OTHERS PRESENT

Bandon Palmer
Carlos Tobar
Dawn Hudson
Cindy Cunningham

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Emily Davis called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

County Manager Carlos Tobar delivered the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Baldwin High School JROTC presented the colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

County Manager Carlos Tobar read a Proclamation honoring and paying tribute to the Georgia Military Veterans' Hall of Fame and proclaiming November 4, 2023 as Georgia Military Veterans Hall of Fame Day.

Commissioner Henry Craig read a Proclamation declaring Baldwin County's participation in Operation Green Light for Veterans and further proclaiming October through Veterans Day as a time to salute and honor the service and sacrifices of men and women in uniform transitioning from active service. Operation Green Light for Veterans encourages the display of green lights in a window of a business or residence from November 6th through November 12, 2023.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Kendrick Butts made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2023 Public Hearing, September 15, 2023 Regular Meeting and September 26, 2023 Called Meeting as submitted. Commissioner Sammy Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE / FISCAL MATTERS

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Grant Awards

Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson presented two WIOA grant awards for the Adult Programs. The first Adult Program award, in the amount of \$138,699, is for the period July 1, 2023 — June 30, 2025. The second Adult Program award, in the amount of \$100,000, is for the

period July 1, 2023 — June 30, 2024. The Dislocated Worker Program award, in the amount of \$250,000, is for the period July 1, 2023 — June 30, 2024.

Commissioner Henry Craig made a motion to accept all three (3) WIOA grant awards as presented. Commissioner Kendrick Butts seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Alcoholic Beverage License

County Manager Carlos Tobar presented an application for a Retail Liquor Alcoholic Beverage License for Andy's Bottle Shop, 2806 North Columbia Street, Suite C. Mr. Tobar reported all legal requirements of the application process have been met.

Vice Chairman John Westmoreland made a motion to approve the application for Retail Liquor License for Andy's Bottle Shop as presented. Commissioner Kendrick Butts seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Resolution Authorizing Filing of Section 5311 Transit Application

Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson stated that as part of the application process for the 5311 Transit Program the Board must approve a Resolution authorizing the filing of the application with the Department of Transportation and authorizing the Chair to execute all related documents including certifications and standard assurances, Minority Business Enterprise DBE (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise) and WBE (Women Business Enterprise) policies and procedures. Ms. Hudson requested adoption of the Resolution for submission with the grant application.

Commissioner Kendrick Butts made a motion to adopt the Resolution as presented. Commissioner Henry Craig seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

A pages copy -Lü-4 of the Resolution is herewith attached and made an official part of the minutes at

Airport Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and Hangar Agreements

County Manager Carlos Tobar presented the five-year Airport Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Mr. Tobar discussed specifics of the plan including the East Apron project; the Terminal Apron Expansion project, and the Lower Ramp project. Mr. Tobar displayed a slide presentation showing the airport layout and projects in various stages. Mr. Tobar stated the CIP is a requirement of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). He stated a project must be included in the CIP to receive federal and state funding.

Commissioner Sammy Hall expressed concern about the Lower Ramp project as well as the East Apron project and stated he will have difficulty supporting the \$6.5 million projects at this time. He stated more discussion was needed to determine exactly how much the Airport should be expanded. Vice Chairman John Westmoreland concurred and stated he is not in favor of the expansion at this time. Commissioner Henry Craig agreed there are matters related to the Plan that need to be discussed further. He stated there are financial obligations and possible legal consequences of decisions on the CIP. Commissioner Kendrick Butts asked if there are other options. Commissioner Hall asked if this can wait another year. County Manager Tobar responded the County will have to put a pause on everything that is in place now. He stated it is the Board's decision if they want to delete the projects from the CIP. Commissioner Craig stated he felt the Board needs to give further consideration to these issues. County Manager Tobar stated there are significant financial obligations based on what the County has already done.

Commissioner Henry Craig made a motion to table the Capital Improvement Plan until further discussions can be held. Commissioner Sammy Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Citizens addressed the Board expressing concerns with the East Apron project and the construction of additional hangars. Speakers discussed concerns including potential health hazards; disruption of their peaceful neighborhood, fumes from jet fuel, decrease in property values, fuel runoff, noise, and other negative impacts.

The following citizens addressed the Board on this Agenda Item: David Bellew, Joan Crumpler, Susan Libendiger, Richard Bilz, Melinda Brewer, Christina Ward, Steve Comer, Tena Wheeler, and Ricky Giles.

Mr. Scott Edens, President and CEO of Fouts Brothers, addressed the Board stating there is a definite need for more hangars at the Airport. He stated the construction of a new hangar for his company is a project he has worked on with the County for months based on the CIP. He reported the hangar is a Fouts Brothers business development tool that will allow the company to bring in customers and suppliers.

Mr. Tobar discussed Hangar Agreements 4 & 5. He stated these hangars are not part of the CIP since this project has been completed. Discussion was held regarding Commissioners' concerns with leasing hangars and subleasing hangars to unknown companies. Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson responded the practice of the County leasing ground space to private entities had been done for a number of years. Commissioner Henry Craig stated he could not support the lease agreements at this time since he was not aware of the provisions in the agreements.

Commissioner Henry Craig made a motion to table this matter until a later date to allow for further review by the Board. Commissioner Sammy Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Old Business

There was no Old Business to come before the Board.

New Business

There was no New Business to come before the Board.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

There was no County Manager's Report to be presented to the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Deb Campbell, 139 Kenan Drive, expressed appreciation for the hard work of Animal Control Department employees and the many volunteers during the recent situation involving a potential dogfighting ring. She stated the team of employees and volunteers worked diligently throughout the night to retrieve, transport, process, intake and provide housing for twenty-five dogs.

Ms. Elizabeth Campbell, 112 Newport Road, discussed the proposed walking path in the Airport area. She stated certified letters were sent to neighborhoods around the path, however, adequate, detailed information was not provided about the walking path. She stated it would be most beneficial to residents to have more knowledge so their questions could be answered about the proposed project.

Ms. Cindy Humphrey, Simpson Proctor Lane, requested discounted spay and neuter programs/opportunities for pet owners. She stated there are too many animals that are not being taken care of; therefore, there are a large number of animals being born, and our shelters are overcrowded.

Ms. Susie Harper Marshall, 196 Frazier Drive, SE, requested County assistance to address dangerous conditions at the intersection of Youngblood Road and Vinson Highway. She stated grass, bushes and trees need to be cut. She also stated she has a drainage problem that is causing water to run into the foundation of her house.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Henry Craig made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:35 p.m. Commissioner Sammy Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,


Emily C. Davis
Chair


Cynthia K. Cunningham
County Clerk

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FOR A GRANT UNDER TITLE 49 U.S.C., SECTION 5311.

WHEREAS the Federal Transit Administration and the Georgia Department of Transportation are authorized to make grants to non-urbanized (rural) areas for mass transportation projects; and

WHEREAS the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon Applicant, including the provision of the local share of project costs; and

WHEREAS it is required by the United States Department of Transportation and the Georgia Department of Transportation in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance under the Federal Transit Act, the applicant gives an assurance that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the United States Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

WHEREAS it is the goal of the Applicant that Minority Business Enterprise (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise and Women's Business Enterprise) be utilized to the fullest extent possible in connection with this project, and that definitive procedures shall be established and administered to ensure that minority business shall have the maximum feasible opportunity to compete for contracts and purchase orders when procuring construction contracts, supplies, equipment contracts, or consultant and other services.

Baldwin County

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY _____ hereinafter referred to as the "*Applicant".

Emily C. Davis

1. That the Designated Official _____ hereinafter referred to as the "Official, is authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of _____ Baldwin County Transit _____ with the Georgia Department of Transportation. to aid in the purchase of bus transit vehicles and/or the planning, development, and construction of bus transit-related facilities pursuant to Section 5307 of the Federal Transit Act.
2. That the Official is authorized to execute and file such application and assurances, or any other document required by the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Georgia Department of Transportation effectuating the purpose of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act Of 1964.
3. That the Official is authorized to execute and file all other standard assurances, or any other document required by the Georgia Department of Transportation or the U.S. Department of Transportation in connection with the application for public transportation assistance.
4. That the Official is authorized to execute grant contract agreements on behalf of the Applicant with the Georgia Department of Transportation.
5. That the Official is authorized to set forth and execute Minority Business Enterprise, DBE (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise) and WBE (Women Business Enterprise) policies and procedures in connection with the project's procurement needs as applicable.
6. That the applicant while making application to or receiving grants from the Federal Transit Administration will comply with FTA Circular 9030.1 E, FTA Certifications and Assurances for Federal Assistance 2023 as listed in this grant application and General Operating Guidelines as illustrated in the Georgia State Management Plan.
- 7_ That the applicant has or will have available in the General Fund the required non-federal funds to meet local share requirements for this grant application.

APPROVED

3 day of October, 2023.

Emily C. Davis
Signature of Authorized Official

Emily C. Davis, Chair
Name and Title of Authorized Official

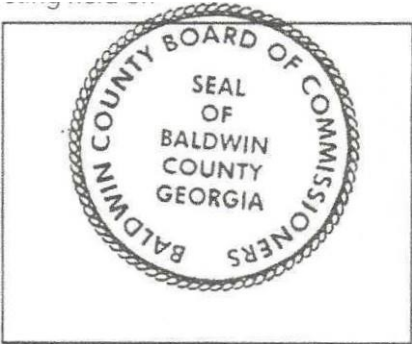
Signed, sealed, and delivered this 3 day of October, 2023 in the presence of
AND ADOPTED this

Dami K. Bragg
Witness

Janice C. Coker
Notary Public/Notary Seal
exp. 11/29/26

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned duly qualified and Clerk acting of
Baldwin County
— — — (Titie Of Certifying/Attesting Official) (Applicant's Legal Name) certifies that the foregoing



Cynthia K. Cunningham
Title of Certifyin | ttesting Offic
is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted

October 3, 2023.

Cynthia K. Cunningham
Name of Certifying/Attesting Officer

meeting held on _____
d co rect copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened