



BALDWIN COUNTY REGULAR MEETING

March 04, 2025

1601 N Columbia St, Suite 220

6:00 PM

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

1. Amy Raburn - Northridge Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATIONS

2. Latonya Howell - Women's History Month

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. Approval of February 18, 2025 regular meeting minutes and executive session minutes.

ADMINISTRATIVE/FISCAL MATTERS

4. Resolution R-2025-20 - A resolution to request a performance review of the Baldwin County Board of Tax Assessors - Assistant County Manager
5. Resolution R-2025-21 - A resolution of the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners supporting and urging commencement of Georgia Department of Transportation's widening of Georgia State Route 49, just west of Felton Drive to east of Milledgeville Bypass - Assistant County Manager
6. Resolution R-2025-22 - a resolution to authorize purchasing cards for elected officials - Assistant County Manager
7. Resolution R-2025-23 - authorize Ocmulgee Drug Task Force/Middle Georgia Gang Task Force Intergovernmental Agreement - Assistant County Manager
8. Resolution R-2025-24 - Authorize a Criminal Justice Coordinating Council in the amount of \$392,451 - Assistant County Manager
9. Resolution R-2025-25 - Authorize a grant with the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for \$98,815 - Assistant County Manager
10. Resolution R-2025-26 - a resolution to authorize an application be submitted for the Georgia Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Grant for funding the

Dislocated Worker Program for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 -
Assistant County Manager

[11.](#) Letter of Commitment for the DCA Rural Site Development Grant

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

12. Executive Session to discuss personnel and potential litigation

ADJOURNMENT

REMINDERS

Work Session - March 4, 2025 - 5:00 PM, Baldwin County Government Center, 1601 N
Columbia Street, Suite 220

Commission Meeting - March 4, 2025 - 6:00 PM, Baldwin County Government Center, 1601 N
Columbia Street, Suite 220

Commission Meeting - March 18, 2025 - 6:00 PM, Baldwin County Government Center, 1601
N Columbia Street, Suite 220

March is Women's History Month



BALDWIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

February 18, 2025

1601 N Columbia St, Suite 220

6:00 PM

MINUTES

PRESENT

Andrew Strickland, Chairman
Emily Davis
Kendrick Butts
Sammy Hall
Scott Little

OTHERS PRESENT

Carlos Tobar
Dawn Hudson
Brandon Palmer
Bo Danuser

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Chairman Andrew Strickland called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with all members present.

INVOCATION

Remona Franklin of New Beginnings Fellowship Church gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Strickland led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Chairman Strickland read a proclamation setting aside February 12, 2025 as Dalton Hill Day in memory the Georgia Military College student who sustained fatal injuries as a result of a motorcycle accident during a tournament.

The proclamation was read into the meeting minutes as follows:

PROCLAMATION
Baldwin County, Georgia

WHEREAS, Dalton Hill attended Georgia Military College Preparatory School, was in the 7th grade, participated in cross country, baseball, and wrestling.

WHEREAS, his teachers, friends, and fellow citizens describe Dalton Hill as a light with a servant's heart.

WHEREAS, our community grieves the loss of Dalton Hill, a bright young man, who rests with our father in heaven forever more.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that Wednesday, February 12, 2025 is hereby known as

DALTON HILL DAY OF MEMORY

in honor of the son of Phillip and Emily Hill of Baldwin County, Georgia.

S/ _____
Andrew Strickland, Chairman
Baldwin County Board of Commissioners

Mike Huckabee and Sheila Milikin of the Middle Georgia Regional Commission addressed the commissioners sharing information about the services provided for the aging. Ms. Milikin gave a presentation on the program to transition clients out of nursing homes and into homes or apartments. Mr. Huckabee discussed Age Friendly Communities and the partnership with AARP. Mr. Huckabee presented the commissioners with an AARP plaque designating Baldwin County as an Age Friendly Community.

Laura Thompson gave a presentation on the Keep Milledgeville Baldwin Beautiful program. She discussed efforts to keep litter picked up and the Adopt a Road Program. She discussed plans to implement social media campaigns and asked the commission to focus on adopting ordinances and enforcement. She stated that Keep Milledgeville Baldwin Beautiful was an educational organization.

There was a discussion about cleaning up litter, the rapid rate of littering, KMBB working in the schools, setting fines, enforcement and organizing Saturday pickups.

Latonya Howell gave a presentation on Black History Month entitled from *Chains to Changes*. She gave a brief history on the founding of Milledgeville and information on some of the noteworthy African Americans who made an impact on Milledgeville and Baldwin County throughout history. She highlighted the history of Hamp Brown, Jr. and Hamp Brown Festival, Memory Hill Cemetery, the Odd Fellows Fraternal Order, Bone Cemetery, and Sally Ellis Davis and Wilkes Flagg setting up the Eddy School. She gave a history of African American education, Nurse Luttie Andrews's pioneering efforts in allowing African American nurses to be certified, the black businesses district, and other prominent citizens in Baldwin County.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Little made a motion to approve the January 30, 2025 work session minutes. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hall made a motion to approve the February 4, 2025 commission meeting minutes and the executive session minutes. Commissioner Little seconded the motion. Commissioner Davis stated the February 4th minutes did not reflect the discussion she and Commissioner Butts had about the resolution to rotate the chairmanship. Commissioner Butts stated the minutes should reflect everything being said in the meeting and the video should match up to the minutes. Commission Chairman Strickland stated that the minutes did not reflect everything said, it was a summary. Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson stated they did not do verbatim minutes, she also stated that the minutes were send out Fridays and if there were changes requested they needed to get them. Commission Chairman Strickland asked the Clerk if anyone reached out requesting changes. The Clerk responded that no one had, the minutes were not verbatim, they were a recap based on the way they had been done up to this point. Mr. Danuser stated more detail could be added.

Chairman Strickland asked Commissioner Davis if she would like to make a motion to amend the minutes to include something. Commissioner Davis responded that what they discussed needed to be included in the minutes.

Chairman Strickland read the questioned portion of the minutes that included the discussion, the motions that were made and the vote taken; he asked what was not accurate. Commissioner Davis stated that was not in her email and asked Commissioner Butts if it was in his email. Commissioner Butts responded that it was not. Commissioner Hall stated that he saw it in his.

Commission Chairman Strickland called for a roll call vote. Commissioners Butts, Hall, Strickland, Davis and Little voted aye. The motion carried and the minutes were approved.

Commissioner Butts asked why they were taking a roll call vote. Chairman Strickland responded it was for clarity for the Clerk.

ADMINISTRATIVE/FISCAL MATTERS**Resolution R-2025-18 – Support for Georgia Department of Transportation project**

County Manger Carlos Tobar discussed a commission show of support for the GDOT project from Felton Drive to the east bypass. Commissioner Hall discussed a 2015 GDOT request for the county to move the utilities; the commission voted not to move the utilities on state highway 49 at that time. He further stated that there was a memorandum of understanding that did not require the county to move the utilities and he wanted to make sure that memorandum was attached to any resolution adopted.

The resolution was presented as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-18
A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION PROJECT ON EAST BYPASS

Whereas, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners desires multimodal transportation development & infrastructure innovation throughout Baldwin County; and

Whereas, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners puts Baldwin County residents’ safety first through innovation & technology; and

Whereas, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners supports GDOT’s vision to boost Georgia’s competitiveness via leadership in transportation; and

Whereas, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners supports GDOT’s mission to deliver a transportation system focused on innovation, safety, sustainability and mobility,

Whereas, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners recognizes traffic has increased because of the increased enrollment at our local colleges and universities and new housing starts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Baldwin County, Georgia, and it hereby resolved by authority of the same, as follows:

- 1. Incorporation of Recitals. The above stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.
- 2. Baldwin County Board of Commissioners’ Support. The Baldwin County Board of Commissioners supports the Georgia Department of Transportation project ID 231450, SR 49 FM just west of Felton Drive to East of Milledgeville Bypass.
- 3. Authorization of Chairman. The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners to sign any documentation necessary or reasonably required to express support for the Georgia Department of Transportation Project ID 231450, SR 49 west of Felton Drive to East of Milledgeville Bypass.
- 4. Severability. In case any one or more of the provisions of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution, but this Resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision had not been contained herein.
- 5. Repeal of Conflicting Resolutions. Any and all resolutions in conflict with this Resolution this day passed be and they are hereby repealed.
- 6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

SO RESOLVED, this 18th day of February, 2025.

BALDWIN COUNTY, GEORGIA

Honorable Andrew Strickland, Chairman
Baldwin County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Bo Danuser, County Clerk
Baldwin County Georgia

DATE ADOPTED _____

[SEAL]

Commissioner Hall discussed installing a traffic signal at Allen Memorial Drive and Horace Veal Road and suggested having a request for a traffic signal at that intersection be included in the resolution of support.

There was a discussion about tabling the resolution until the two items discussed could be included in the resolution, the properties taken by eminent domain, and the prospect of the project being cancelled by GDOT.

Commissioner Hall made a motion to attach the memorandum of understanding where the county would not pay for moving utilities to the resolution and to include a request for a traffic signal at Allen Memorial Drive and Horace Veal Road. Commissioner Strickland seconded the motion.

There was further discussion about the GDOT cancelling the project for lack of funding and making sure the MOU was still valid.

Chairman Strickland called for the vote. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hall made a motion to table the resolution until updated. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. R-2025-19 – submit application for WIOA Grant.

Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson stated this was a grant for Dislocated Workers as an Adult Program through the Workforce Development for the period October 1-2024 through June 30, 2025 in the amount of \$350,000. The funds were used to assist adults out of work because of layoffs or permanent plant closings.

The resolution was presented as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-19

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AN APPLICATION BE SUBMITTED FOR THE GEORGIA WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) GRANT FOR FUNDING THE DISLOCATED WORKER PROGRAM FOR THE OF PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners desire to continue to receive funding from the Georgia Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Grant Number 36-23-24-06-011 Fain: 23 a55aw000013; and

WHEREAS, the Grant provides funding of \$350,000 for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Baldwin County, Georgia, and it hereby resolved by authority of the same, as follows:

- 1. Incorporation of Recitals. The above stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.

2. Authorization of Grant Application. The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the preparation and submission of a Georgia Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Grant.

3. Authorization of Chairman. The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners to sign any documentation or take any other action necessary or reasonably required to carry out, give effect to, and consummate the application and administration of the Grant and to take all action necessary in conformity therewith.

4. Severability. In case any one or more of the provisions of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution, but this Resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision had not been contained herein.

5. Repeal of Conflicting Resolutions. Any and all resolutions in conflict with this Resolution this day passed be and they are hereby repealed.

6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

SO RESOLVED, this 18th day of February, 2025.

BALDWIN COUNTY, GEORGIA

Honorable Andrew Strickland, Chairman
Baldwin County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Bo Danuser, County Clerk
Baldwin County Georgia

DATE ADOPTED _____

[SEAL]

Commissioner Davis made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Butts seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution R-2025-20 – Request performance review of the Baldwin County Board of Tax Assessors
County Attorney Brandon Palmer stated at the request of the board, he prepared a resolution to request an independent performance review board be appointed by the Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Revenue to have a thorough and complete investigation of all actions of the Baldwin County Board of Tax Assessors and appraisal staff regarding the technical competency of appraisal techniques and compliance with state laws and regulations.

The resolution was presented as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-20
A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST A PERFORMANCE REVIEW OF THE BALDWIN COUNTY BOARD
OF TAX ASSESSORS; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. § 48-5-295.1 provides a process by which the Board of Commissioners of Baldwin County, Georgia (“Board of Commissioners”) may request that an independent performance review of

the Baldwin County Board of Tax Assessors and appraisal staff be conducted by an independent performance review board appointed by the Commissioner of the Department of Revenue;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desires to have a thorough and complete investigation of all actions of the Baldwin County Board of Tax Assessors and appraisal staff regarding the technical competency of appraisal techniques and compliance with state law and regulations; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners that they do hereby make a request to the Commissioner of the Department of Revenue for a performance review as provided by O.C.G.A. § 48-5-295.1 and that the Commissioner appoint an Independent Performance Review Board within thirty (30) days after receipt of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners requests that the written report of the Performance Review Board’s findings be forwarded to the Baldwin County Clerk upon completion, which report should include such evaluations, judgments, and recommendations as the Performance Review Board deems appropriate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners shall reimburse the members of the Performance Review Board for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, including mileage, meals, lodging, and cost of materials.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Baldwin County Clerk shall submit a copy of this resolution to the Commissioner of the Department of Revenue following its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall become effective as of the date of its adoption.

SO RESOLVED, this 18th day of February, 2025.

Honorable Andrew Strickland
Chairman, Baldwin County Board of Commissioners
ATTEST:

Bo Danuser
Baldwin County Clerk

Commissioner Little stated he had four properties under appeal and asked to abstain.

Commissioner Hall made a motion to approve the resolution. Commissioner Strickland seconded the motion.

Commissioners Sammy Hall and Andrew Strickland voted aye. Commissioners Kendrick Butts and Emily Davis voted no. The motion failed.

Appoint Green Berry Moore to the Ocmulgee Circuit Public Defender Supervisory Panel

County Manager Carlos Tobar stated that the commission had been requested to appoint Green Berry Moore, III to the Ocmulgee Public Defenders Supervisory Panel to replace a retiring member.

Commissioner Little made a motion to appoint Green Berry Moore, III to the Ocmulgee Public Defenders Supervisory Panel. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Holt Consulting for Airport Planning Services and for Engineering and Design

County Manager Carlos Tobar stated that every 5 years the Federal Aviation Administration requires every airport sponsor to bid for both the planning and for the engineering and design.

There was a discussion about the bids submitted and the scores used to rank the companies.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to authorize the agreement with Holt Consulting to provide planning services and for engineering and design. Commissioner Butts seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Transit ADA Policy Update

Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson stated the Baldwin County Transit program operated under the Federal Transit Administration Rural Transit Program. The Federal Transit Administration required an annual update of the ADA policy included more detail on filing an ADA complaint and an update on no-shows.

There was a discussion about terms of the no show policy; Ms. Hudson stated Baldwin County didn't have a problem with no shows but the language had to be included in the ADA policy.

Commissioner Butts made a motion to adopt the ADA transit policy updates. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Georgia Firefighters Standard and Training Council Grant

County Manager Carlos Tobar stated he was requesting authorization to submit a grant for \$10,528 to purchase eleven 50-foot sections of hose and eight 100-foot sections of hose and couplings.

Commissioner Hall made a motion to authorize the grant application. Commissioner Butts seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Butts asked for an update on the gravity fed pump station behind the O.T. Pounds area. County Manager Tobar gave Commissioner Butts information about the plans for renovating the pump station and there were plans that would be discussed at the retreat.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Davis requested bus stop signage on Harvest Court at Meriweather Road.

Commissioner Davis discussed the Federal Summer Food Program not being supported by the Governor and asked the commission send a letter of support to the State Delegation to seek funding for the summer food program.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to direct the County Manager to send a letter of support for the 2025 Summer Food Program. Commissioner Butts seconded the motion.

There was discussion about the program.

Chairman Strickland called for a vote and the motion passed unanimously.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

County Manager Carlos Tobar gave an update on going projects including Smith-Sibley sewer extension with a public hearing on April 16 at 11 AM, the road resurfacing and stripping list and posting the list on the website and Facebook.

Commissioner Davis asked about the work on Mammie Harris Road and Mr. Tobar responded that it needed speed limit signs and the road had been recently resurfaced.

Commissioner Butts asked if the LMIG lists were included in the list of roads for resurfacing. Mr. Tobar responded the LMIG and TSPLOST list was the same.

Mr. Tobar continued with his report giving an update on the Fishing Creek Trail, Oconee Heights Streetscape, the airport operator proposal, and a three-week weather delays on all construction projects.

Commissioner Davis announced a free dementia workshop on March 12th at the Government Building from 10 to 2; there were 25 slots available.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Chairman Strickland read the rules of decorum.

Desiree Liggins of District 2 and 4 addressed the commission objecting to having her home address given in a public forum. Ms. Liggins read from the Baldwin County Code of Ordinances, she gave information about herself, discussed her educational background and tenure in the military. She discussed how the commissioners were addressing her questions and concerns and she discussed paving Sidney Butts Road. She claimed that Sidney Butts Road was being neglected because the homeowners were African American.

Deb Campbell of Kenan Drive addressed the commission regarding the animal shelter and animal control. She told a story of a pet that was brought to the Animal Rescue Foundation for medical assistance.

Barry Havior of East Walton Street addressed the Commission to discuss transportation needs for the recreation department. He discussed having to solicit funds in front of Walmart to provide transportation for the track team. Carlos Foster asked the commissioners to give Mr. Havior a bus.

Pam Peacock of Montego Bay Road thanked the commission, Mr. Tobar, and staff for organizing the animal adoption event at the shelter.

Mr. Tobar discussed the county employees who volunteered for the event and the Georgia College Shelter Buddies.

Beverly Hill of Lakemere Lane discussed placing historical banners in downtown Milledgeville for Black History Month. She discussed Milledgeville native John Warren Davis and that he was a founder and first president of the NAACP. Ms. Hill presented Commissioner Davis with a photo when she was a child.

Maurice Liggins of Sidney Butts Road addressed the commissioner. He presented and read emails between he and Mr. Tobar. He discussed the list of roads that were approved for resurfacing, the roads resurfaced that were not on the list and the number of houses on the roads that were resurfaced.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Little made a motion to enter into executive session at 7:40 PM. Commissioner Butts seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The commissioners entered into closed session at 7:40 PM.

Commissioner Little made a motion to return to open session at 8:27 PM. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion and the commission returned to open session at 8:27 PM.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Little made a motion to adjourn at 8:27 PM. Commissioner Strickland seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew Strickland, Chairman

Bo Danuser, County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-20

A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST A PERFORMANCE REVIEW OF THE BALDWIN COUNTY BOARD OF TAX ASSESSORS; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES

WITNESSETH:

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WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desires to have a thorough and complete investigation of all actions of the Baldwin County Board of Tax Assessors and appraisal staff regarding the technical competency of appraisal techniques and compliance with state law and regulations; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners that they do hereby make a request to the Commissioner of the Department of Revenue for a performance review as provided by O.C.G.A. § 48-5-295.1 and that the Commissioner appoint an Independent Performance Review Board within thirty (30) days after receipt of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners requests that the written report of the Performance Review Board’s findings be forwarded to the Baldwin County Clerk upon completion, which report should include such evaluations, judgments, and recommendations as the Performance Review Board deems appropriate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners shall reimburse the members of the Performance Review Board for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, including mileage, meals, lodging, and cost of materials.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Baldwin County Clerk shall submit a copy of this resolution to the Commissioner of the Department of Revenue following its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall become effective as of the date of its adoption.

SO RESOLVED, this 4th day of March, 2025.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

Honorable Andrew Strickland
Chairman, Baldwin County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Bo Danuser
Baldwin County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-21

A RESOLUTION OF THE BALDWIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SUPPORTING AND URGING COMMENCEMENT OF GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S WIDENING OF GEORGIA STATE ROUTE 49, JUST WEST OF FELTON DRIVE TO EAST OF MILLEDGEVILLE BYPASS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Baldwin County (the "County") is a duly formed political subdivision of the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners desires multimodal transportation development, infrastructure improvements and innovation throughout Baldwin County; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners puts Baldwin County residents' safety first through innovation and technology; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners supports the Georgia Department of Transportation's ("GDOT") vision to boost Georgia's competitiveness via leadership in transportation; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners supports GDOT' s mission to deliver a transportation system focused on innovation, safety, sustainability, and mobility; and

WHEREAS, there has been increased traffic congestion on Georgia State Route 49, which is currently a two lane road and under the jurisdiction of GDOT;

WHEREAS, the increased congestion has been caused by the increased enrollment at our local colleges and universities and new housing starts; and

WHEREAS, the widening of Georgia State Route 49, just west of Felton Drive to east of Milledgeville Bypass, is vitally important to easing traffic congestion and sparking economic development in Baldwin County; and

WHEREAS, the construction of traffic signal devices at the intersection of Georgia State Route 49 and Horace Veal Road would serve the best interests of Baldwin County and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners finds that the immediate commencement of the project for widening of Georgia State Route 49, just west of Felton Drive to east of Milledgeville Bypass, would serve the best interests of Baldwin County and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners supports and urges GDOT to commence construction on GDOT's Project ID 231450, SR 49 FM just west of Felton Drive to east of Milledgeville Bypass; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners requests that GDOT install traffic signal devices at the intersection of Georgia State Route 49 and Horace Veal Road; and

WHEREAS, on or about July 21, 2015, Baldwin County and GDOT entered into the memorandum of understanding ("MOU") attached hereto as Exhibit "A", pursuant to which GDOT agreed to fund all work necessary for the adjustment or relocation of utility infrastructure and facilities in the affected area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Baldwin County, Georgia, and it is hereby resolved by authority of the same, as follows:

1. **Incorporation of Recitals.** The above stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.
2. **Support for Project.** The County hereby supports and urges commencement of the widening of Georgia State Route 49, classified by GDOT as project ID 231450, SR 49 FM just west of Felton Drive to the east of Milledgeville bypass, including the installation of traffic signal devices at the intersection of Georgia State Route 49 and Horace Veal Road and all work necessary for the adjustment or relocation of utility infrastructure and facilities in the affected area at the sole expense of GDOT, in accordance with Exhibit "A" attached hereto.
3. **Authorization of the Chairman.** The Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chairman to sign this Resolution and to sign any other documents necessary to effectuate this Resolution.
4. **Other Actions Authorized.** The County Manager shall be authorized to take any other action necessary or reasonably required to carry out, give effect to this Resolution.
5. **Severability.** In case any one or more of the provisions of this resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this resolution, but this resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision had not been contained herein.
6. **Repeal of Conflicting Resolutions.** Any and all resolutions in conflict with this resolution this day passed be and they are hereby repealed.
7. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

SO RESOLVED, this 4th day of March, 2025.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

BALDWIN COUNTY, GEORGIA

Honorable Andrew Strickland
Chairman, Baldwin County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Bo Danuser
Baldwin County Clerk

DATE ADOPTED _____
[SEAL]

EXHIBIT A

Georgia DOT Project: NH000-0089-01(026)
 GDOT P.L.: 231450-

UTILITY AID MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between the
 Georgia Department of Transportation (hereinafter called the DEPARTMENT)
 and
Baldwin County (hereinafter called the OWNER)

Whereas the DEPARTMENT proposes to undertake a project to improve SR 49 from just West of Felton Road to East of Milledgeville Bypass by contract through competitive bidding, and:

Whereas the OWNER has the following utility facilities which must be adjusted and/or relocated as a result of the proposed project: **10" PVC and 10" DIP water facilities** and:

Whereas the OWNER has requested that the DEPARTMENT fund the costs associated with these adjustments and/or relocations and the DEPARTMENT has agreed to this request or the OWNER does not have adequate equipment and staff to adjust its facilities or for other reasons considers it advantageous to have this work included in the contract to be let by the DOT, now therefore:

The following is hereby mutually agreed to and understood by both parties:

1. The preliminary engineering, including preparation of detailed plans and contract estimate for the required water items will be accomplished by the OWNER and the cost of which will be the responsibility of the OWNER. The plans shall provide for adjustment or relocation of the OWNER'S facilities in accordance with the DEPARTMENT'S standard pay items and procedures for including such items in the project contract. In cases of discrepancy, the governing descending order will be as follows: (1) Special Provisions, (2) Project Plans (prepared by OWNER'S Consultant) including Special Plan Details, (3) Supplemental Specifications, (4) Standard Plans including Department Standard Construction Details, (5) Standard Specifications. The OWNER'S standard details should be labeled as "Special Plan Details" and included immediately in sequence behind the OWNER'S plans to avoid confusion with the Department's Standard Plans and Standard Construction Details. The OWNER shall provide plans using the DEPARTMENT'S title block design and current Microstation file format.
2. The plans and estimate shall be subject to approval by both the DEPARTMENT and OWNER prior to advertising for bids.

3. All work necessary for the adjustment or relocation of the described facilities in accordance with the final plans when approved shall be included in the highway contract and let to bid by the DEPARTMENT except as follows:

The Owner will provide additional temporary and permanent easements, at its own expense, for any work outside of the acquisition limits shown on the project right of way plans, and shall certify possession in accordance with DEPARTMENT requirements prior to the Certification deadline for the project.

4. If the work is performed by the OWNER'S Consultant, the engineering for plan revisions for the OWNER'S facilities shall be the responsibility of the OWNER and OWNER'S Consultant.
5. The OWNER and OWNER'S Consultant shall have the right to visit and inspect the work at any time and advise the DEPARTMENT'S Engineer of any observed discrepancies or potential problems. The cost of any OWNER or OWNER'S Consultant's visits or inspections will be the responsibility of the OWNER. For certain products, assemblies and materials certification, the OWNER and OWNER'S Consultant shall provide the DEPARTMENT assistance at no cost to the DEPARTMENT for certification of the work. The DEPARTMENT agrees to notify the OWNER when all utility work is complete and ready for final inspection and invite the OWNER to attend the final inspection or provide a corrections list to the DEPARTMENT prior to the final inspection.
6. After award of the highway contract, the OWNER will continue to maintain its facilities until adjustment or relocation begins on any segment of the facilities. Once adjustment or relocation begins on a segment of the facilities, the DEPARTMENT or its contractor will be responsible for the maintenance of the adjusted or relocated facilities until maintenance acceptance or final acceptance is made for the work.
7. Upon maintenance acceptance or final acceptance of the work and upon certification by the DEPARTMENT'S engineers and the OWNER that the work has been completed in accordance with the plans and specifications, the OWNER will accept the adjusted or relocated facilities and will thereafter operate and maintain said facilities without further cost to the DEPARTMENT and its contractor.
8. A determination of payment due the DEPARTMENT shall be in accordance with a separate contract item agreement to be executed prior to award of the highway project.
9. The DEPARTMENT and OWNER agree that all matters will be governed by the DEPARTMENT'S Utility Accommodation Policy and Standards. It is contemplated by the DEPARTMENT and OWNER that a Contract Item Agreement will be executed by both parties that will supersede this memorandum.

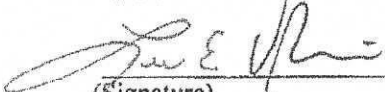
APPROVED FOR THE OWNER BY:


(Signature)

7-7-15
(Date)

Chair
(Title)

APPROVED FOR THE DEPARTMENT BY:


(Signature)

7-21-2015
(Date)

STATE UTILITIES ENGINEER
(Title)

Preliminary Engineering Agreement to be required? Yes No

Contract Item Agreement to be required? Yes No

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE BALDWIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COUNTY ISSUED PURCHASING AND/OR CREDIT CARDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Baldwin County (the "County") is a duly formed political subdivision of the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Georgia law prohibits counties from issuing purchasing cards and credit cards to elected officials unless the governing authority of the county has authorized such issuance and has promulgated policies regarding their use as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, such purchasing cards and credit cards shall only be issued to elected officials designated by the governing authority; and

WHEREAS, in order to comply with O.C.G.A. § 36-80-24, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners desires to authorize certain elected officials to be issued a county purchasing and/or credit card, and to adopt the attached user agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Baldwin County, Georgia, and it is hereby resolved by authority of the same, as follows:

- 1. Incorporation of Recitals.** The above stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.
- 2. Adoption of User Agreement.** The Baldwin County Board of Commissioners adopts the Purchasing Card and/ or Credit Card User Agreement between Baldwin County and Baldwin County Elected Officials, attached as Exhibit "A."
- 3. Designation of Elected Officials.** The Baldwin County Board of Commissioners, by public vote, designates the following Baldwin County Elected Officials to receive a county issued purchasing and/ or credit card and approves the attached user agreement for the following elected officials:

- Commissioners
 - Coroner
 - Magistrate Judge
- Probate Judge
- Sheriff
- Superior Court Clerk
 - Tax Commissioner
- Solicitor
 - State Court Judge

- 4. **Severability.** In case any one or more of the provisions of this resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this resolution, but this resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision had not been contained herein.
- 5. **Repeal of Conflicting Resolutions.** Any and all resolutions in conflict with this resolution this day passed be and they are hereby repealed.
- 6. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

SO RESOLVED, this 4th day of March, 2025.

BALDWIN COUNTY, GEORGIA

Honorable Andrew Strickland
Chairman, Baldwin County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Bo Danuser
Baldwin County Clerk

DATE ADOPTED
[SEAL]

EXHIBIT A

PURCHASING CARD AND/OR CREDIT CARD USER AGREEMENT
BETWEEN BALDWIN COUNTY AND COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIAL

This Purchasing Card and/or Credit Card User Agreement (hereinafter "Agreement") is between the Board of Commissioners of Baldwin County, Georgia (hereinafter "County") and _____(hereinafter "Elected Official"), an elected official of Baldwin County, for use of a Baldwin County Purchasing Card and/or Credit Card (hereinafter "card") issued by Bank of America (hereinafter "Bank"), in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 36-80-24(c)(2).

In exchange for the privilege of being issued a card for the purpose of purchasing goods and services directly related to the public duties of the authorized elected official of the County, Elected Official agrees as follows:

I. Authorized and Unauthorized Use.

- (a) Elected Official agrees to use the card for goods and services directly related to Elected Official's public duties and official responsibilities. Elected Official shall not use the card for goods and services not directly related to Elected Official's public duties and official responsibilities. Additionally, Elected Official shall not use the card to avoid compliance with the County's purchasing ordinances and procedures, to purchase goods and services that are not approved in the County's budget, to purchase goods and services exceeding the per transaction or per month limit, or to make purchases not in compliance with this Agreement.
- (b) Elected Official agrees to use the card for the purchase of goods and services authorized by the budget adopted by the Board of Commissioners.

- (c) Elected Official shall not use the card for personal use or any use other than goods and services directly related to the official responsibilities of Elected Official.
- (d) Elected Official shall not exceed the following transaction limit for the card:
Per Transaction: \$500
Per Bi-Weekly Billing Cycle: \$5,000
- (e) Elected Official shall not subdivide a purchase in an effort to circumvent the transaction limit for the card.
- (f) Elected Official shall not request or receive cash from suppliers or vendors as a result of exchanges or returns. All refunds or exchanges must be credited to the card account.

II. Obligations of Elected Official.

Elected Official agrees to use the card in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Purchasing Card and Credit Card Policy for Baldwin County Elected Officials (hereinafter "Policy"), incorporated herein by reference, as it may be amended from time to time, and any procedures developed in relation to the use of the card.

- (a) Elected Official agrees to cooperate with the Card Administrator in relation to the use of the card, including participation in training, submission of receipts and documentation, notification of lost or stolen cards, etc.
- (b) Elected Official shall comply with the County's budget, purchasing policies and procedures when making purchases with the card.
- (c) Elected Official shall notify the Card Administrator if Elected Official's name or contact information changes within thirty (30) days of such change.

- (d) Elected Official shall protect the card at all times to prevent unauthorized use.
- (e) Elected Official shall immediately notify the Bank and Card Administrator if the card is lost or stolen.
- (f) Elected Official shall surrender the card immediately upon request by the Card Administrator or the Board of Commissioners, expiration of the card, resignation of the Elected Official, or resignation from office by the Elected Official.
- (g) Elected Official acknowledges that he or she is the only individual authorized to use the card.
- (h) Elected Official acknowledges that purchases by the County are exempt from Georgia sales tax. Elected Official shall provide any supplier or vendor with the County's tax exempt number.

III. Receipts and Documentation.

Receipts are required for all card transactions. Elected Official shall provide receipts, invoices and other supporting documentation of all purchases made with the card as required by the Card Administrator. Substantiating documentation shall include the supplier or merchant information, quantity, description, unit price, total price, price paid without sales tax and an explanation of the purchase sufficient to demonstrate that the expense was in the performance of official County duties.

IV. Violations.

In the sole discretion of the Board of Commissioners, failure to comply with the terms of this Agreement or the Policy may result in one or more of the following:

- (a) Warning;
- (b) Suspension of card privileges;
- (c) Termination of card privileges;
- (d) Collection of an amount equal to the total of any improper purchases, including but not limited to declaring such purchases as an advance on salary to the extent allowed by law; and/or
- (e) Prosecution. Elected Official understands and acknowledges that misuse of the card may be considered a crime. Suspected misuse of the card may be reported to the proper authorities for prosecution.

V. Term.

This Agreement shall be effective for a period of one calendar year effective the 1st day of January, 2025. Provided the Elected Official remains eligible for a County-issued card, this agreement may be renewed for successive terms. Either party may terminate the Agreement for any reason by giving the other party 15 days' advance written notice. The card shall be promptly returned to the Card Administrator in the event of such termination. The Elected Official's obligations of this Agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

[SIGNATURES FOLLOW ON NEXT PAGE]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed or caused to be executed by their
duly authorized official, this Agreement.

BALDWIN COUNTY

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Andrew Strickland, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

Bo Danuser, County Clerk

ELECTED OFFICIAL

Name:

Position:

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-23

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AN INTEGVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE OCMULGEE DRUG TASK FORCE/MIDDLE GEORGIA GANG TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners desire enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Ocmulgee Drug Task Force/Middle Georgia Gang Task Force; and

WHEREAS, the participating entities agree that a collaborative effort is key to reducing drug use, sales, trafficking, gang violence, and other criminal activity; and

WHEREAS, this intergovernmental agreement is dedicated to the collaborative crime control initiative by seeking to rid the participating communities of illicit drug, gang, and other criminal activities by aggressively enforcing the laws of the State of Georgia through the arrest and prosecution of criminals; and

WHEREAS, this intergovernmental agreement shall be active upon the effective date of Byrne-JAG funding in 2025 and shall be active through the end of the grant period; and

WHEREAS, this intergovernmental agreement can be amended, revised, or otherwise renewed upon the agreement of the entities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Baldwin County, Georgia, and it hereby resolved by authority of the same, as follows:

- 1. Incorporation of Recitals.** The above stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.
- 2. Authorization of Grant Application.** The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the intergovernmental agreement with the Ocmulgee Drug Task Force/Middle Georgia Gang Task Force.
- 3. Authorization of Chairman.** The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners to sign any documentation or take any other action necessary or reasonably required to carry out, give effect to, and consummate the application and administration of the intergovernmental agreement and to take all action necessary in conformity therewith.
- 4. Severability.** In case any one or more of the provisions of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution, but this Resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision had not been contained herein.

5. Repeal of Conflicting Resolutions. Any and all resolutions in conflict with this Resolution this day passed be and they are hereby repealed.

6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

SO RESOLVED, this 4th day of March, 2025.

BALDWIN COUNTY, GEORGIA

Honorable Andrew Strickland, Chairman
Baldwin County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Bo Danuser, County Clerk
Baldwin County Georgia

DATE ADOPTED _____

[SEAL]

**Ocmulgee Drug Task Force/Middle Georgia Gang Task Force
Intergovernmental Agreement**

NOW BE IT KNOWN, the entities of this intergovernmental agreement are dedicated to this collaborative crime control initiative and are committed to the particulars of the agreement.

This intergovernmental agreement shall become valid upon the effective date of Byrne-JAG funding in 2025 and shall be active through the end of the grant period. At the expiration of the grant period, the entities shall re-examine the extent and need of this agreement and the roles of its participants. This Intergovernmental Agreement can be amended, revised, or otherwise renewed upon the agreement of the entities.

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| Baldwin County Sheriff’s Office | District Attorney of the Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit |
| Washington County Sheriff’s Office | District Attorney of the Middle Judicial Circuit |
| Laurens County Sheriff’s Office | District Attorney of the Dublin Judicial Circuit |
| Twiggs County Sheriff’s Office | Wilkinson County Sheriff’s Office |
| Warner Robins Police Department | District Attorney of the Houston Judicial Circuit |
| Hancock County Sheriff’s Office | Georgia Bureau of Investigation |
| City of Gordon Police Department | City of McIntyre Police Department |
| City of Dublin Police Department | Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office |

The entities identified above enter into this intergovernmental agreement pursuant to the following particulars.

WHEREAS, the ODTF/MGGTF entities seek to rid their communities of illicit drug, gang, and other criminal activity by aggressively enforcing the laws of the State of Georgia through the arrest and prosecution of criminal actors and,

WHEREAS, the entities agree that a collaborative effort is key to reducing drug use, sales,

trafficking, gang violence, and other criminal activity in the State of Georgia through the parameters of this mutual aid agreement as authorized under O.C.G.A. § 36-69-1 et seq. and,

WHEREAS, the entities seek funding through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (hereinafter referred to as "Byrne-JAG") in order to further this collaborative effort and,

A. ASSIGNMENT OF PERSONNEL

1. The entities assign personnel to the ODTF/MGGTF as follows:
 - a.) Georgia Bureau of Investigation assigns 1 Assistant Special Agent in Charge
 - b.) Baldwin County Sheriff's Office assigns 1 deputy (& maybe a second one if awarded)
 - c.) Baldwin County Board of Directors assigns 1 Grant Coordinator,
 - d.) Washington County Sheriff's Office assigns 1 deputy,
 - e.) Laurens County Sheriff's Office assigns 0 deputies (but maybe one if awarded)
 - f.) Dublin Police Department assigns 1 officer
 - g.) Twiggs County Sheriff's Office assigns 0 deputies (but maybe one if awarded)
 - h.) Warner Robins Police Department assigns 1 officer
 - i.) Wilkinson County Sheriff's Office 0 deputies
 - j.) Hancock County Sheriff's Office 0 deputies
 - k.) Gordon Police Department 0 officers
 - l.) McIntyre Police Department 0 officers
 - m.) Jefferson County Sheriff's Office 0 officers
 - n.) Ocmulgee Judicial District Attorney's Office assigns a prosecutor to the county where the offense took place.
 - o.) Middle Judicial District Attorney's Office assigns a prosecutor to the county where the offense took place.
 - p.) Dublin Judicial District Attorney's Office assigns a prosecutor in the county where the offense took place.
 - q.) Houston County District Attorney's Office assigns a prosecutor in the county where

the offense took place.

2. Nothing herein is intended or should be construed in any manner as creating or establishing the relationship of co-partners between the entities hereto or as constituting one of the individuals as the agent, representative, or employee of another entity for any purpose or in any manner whatsoever, whether deputized or not, except as specifically stated otherwise in this intergovernmental agreement. Personnel assigned to the ODTF/MGGTF by one of the entities shall not be considered temporary or permanent employees, volunteers, or agents of the ODTF/MGGTF or of any other entities for any purpose whatsoever, including liability, or be entitled to or any rights or benefits of another entity, whether deputized or not by such other entity.
3. The entities acknowledge their individual and sole responsibility to provide all applicable salary compensation and fringe benefits to their employees assigned to the ODTF/MGGTF.
4. Except as otherwise provided herein, each entity shall, at the entity's sole cost and expense, provide its personnel with any necessary vehicles, vehicle insurance, radios, and law enforcement equipment necessary to performance hereunder. The ODTF/MGGTF Operating Committee must approve any exceptions in which ODTF/MGGTF asset forfeiture funds would be used to purchase said equipment.
5. If deputized by one or more sheriffs participating in the agreement, the employees and agents of responding entities shall have the same powers, duties, rights, privileges, and immunities as if they were performing their duties in the jurisdiction where they are officially employed whenever performing authorized tasks according to this intergovernmental agreement.

B. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS AND USE OF BYRNE JAG GRANT FUNDS

Each county governing authority and municipal corporation agrees to the following with regard to expenses associated with personnel assigned to the ODTF/MGGTF:

1. The governing authority of the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners (hereinafter "Fiscal Agent") will serve as the applicant, recipient, and fiscal agent of Byrne-JAG funding on behalf of the participating county governing authorities and municipal corporations.

2. As the recipient of Byrne-JAG funding, the Fiscal Agent will establish and maintain an adequate accounting system and financial records and accurately account for grant funds. An adequate accounting system must be able to accommodate a fund and account structure to separately track receipts, expenditures, assets, and liabilities for each grant award.
3. Each participating county governing authority or municipal corporation will fund the initial costs of the detached personnel listed in Section A of this intergovernmental agreement. Any other initial costs to be borne by individual entities shall be as follows:

Agents or Staff Personnel from Baldwin County Sheriff's Office, Washington County Sheriff's Office (if awarded), Laurens County Sheriff's Office (if awarded), and Twiggs County Sheriff's Office (if awarded) will be reimbursed 100% of the Salaries of the detached personnel. Vehicles, vehicle fuel and maintenance, equipment, and related expenses will be provided by ODTF/MGGTF as provided by the 2025 Byrne-Jag Grant.

The Agents detached from the City of Dublin and the City of Warner Robins are fully funded by their home agency, with the exception of training, cellphones, special equipment, up to \$15,000 overtime, and PEPI expenditures. GBI staff, including supervisors, agents, and the Investigative Assistant, are paid by the GBI. The Judicial Circuits do not receive any funding from the DTF.

4. On a calendar quarterly basis, each participating county governing authority or Municipal Corporation shall invoice the ODTF/MGGTF to reimburse the personnel costs paid for by the sponsoring entity. Said invoice shall be sent to ODTF/MGGTF no later than three (3) business days following the end of each calendar quarter and shall be accompanied by all supporting documentation, including, but not limited to, payroll system reports, invoices, and other relevant documentation.
5. On behalf of the ODTF/MGGTF, the Fiscal Agent will submit for and accept quarterly reimbursement payments for personnel costs paid by participating entities.
6. The Fiscal Agent will receive and deposit the quarterly reimbursements into the Fiscal Agent's checking account.
7. Said funds will be paid by the Fiscal Agent through the ODTF/MGGTF to each participating county governing authority or Municipal Corporation to reimburse personnel costs appropriately invoiced as referenced under paragraph 3 of this section within ten (10) business days of receipt of quarterly reimbursement.

8. Each entity swears, affirms, and agrees ONLY to seek reimbursement for uses permitted under the 2025 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program.
9. As the DTF is not a separate legal entity, no property, equipment, or vehicles shall be titled in the name of the ODTF/MGGTF. All property purchased with local funds appropriated by the county governing authority or Municipal Corporation on behalf of ODTF/MGGTF shall be titled in the name of the local governing authority having financial interest in such property. The use of such property shall be consistent with the requirements of this intergovernmental agreement.
10. The Fiscal Agent shall obtain and maintain required insurance documentation from each county governing authority or Municipal Corporation.
11. The records, accounts, documents, etc., of the Fiscal Agent relating to the ODTF/MGGTF shall be open for inspection or audit by all entities of this agreement with reasonable notice during regular business hours. As requested, the Fiscal Agent shall provide reports to the ODTF/MGGTF Operating Committee.
12. Once an assignment has been made to the ODTF/MGGTF, the task force will provide the agent with the necessary equipment (e.g., vehicle, radio, and law enforcement equipment) as funds are available. If fiscal conditions deteriorate to the extent that this becomes an undue burden on the task force, the Operating Committee could opt to require the participating agencies to fund this expense.

C. ODTF/MGGTF OPERATING COMMITTEE

1. The ODTF/MGGTF shall be administered by the ODTF/MGGTF Operating Committee. Each participating sheriff and/or chief of police who has a detachment and/or is in the process of detaching an agent shall serve as a member of the committee. The committee will select a chairman from its participating law enforcement agencies to conduct meetings. The members of the committee may also select other officers as deemed appropriate. Per CJCC, all governing District Attorneys shall also be members of the committee.
2. The committee shall meet at least quarterly. A quorum shall be established by the committee, and official votes may be taken whenever the established quorum is present at the time of the vote. A vote shall be settled whenever a simple majority is reached.

Written minutes of all official actions of the committee must be taken and retained.

3. The committee shall adopt policies and procedures to ensure that the work of the ODTF/MGGTF and all agents comply with applicable law and generally accepted law enforcement operational and management practices. Procedures prescribing how entities request services from the ODTF/MGGTF, and the person employed by the requesting law enforcement agency who is duly authorized to request such services shall be determined under ODTF/MGGTF policy.
4. ODTF/MGGTF operations will be supported through the use of Byrne-JAG funding, appropriations from local governing authorities and the State of Georgia, funding acquired through the Federal Equitable Sharing Program, funding acquired by participating law enforcement entities through the Georgia Uniform Civil Forfeiture Procedure Act and from other sources as authorized under State and Federal law. Upon the seizure and condemnation of property or funds seized through ODTF/MGGTF activities in cooperation with law enforcement agencies not operating exclusively under the policies and procedures of the ODTF/MGGTF, the Chairman of the Operating Committee with the consent of the committee shall settle distribution matters of the forfeited assets with the agencies in accordance with State and/or Federal law.
5. The committee shall approve or amend the ODTF/MGGTF's annual operating budget as necessary. Within the fiscal limits of said budget, the committee may authorize expenditures for acquiring equipment, supplies, goods, services, or other commodities necessary for ODTF/MGGTF operation. Any such purchases with funds appropriated by county governing authorities or municipal corporations shall be titled in the name of the local entity responsible for the purpose of such property. The entities may enter into amendments to this intergovernmental agreement or separate agreements regarding the use of such property.
6. It is hereby agreed that cash revenues received as a result of condemnations initiated by the ODTF/MGGTF shall be disbursed as follows:
 - a. The ODTF/MGGTF shall retain 100% of all cash revenue from forfeitures initiated by the task force until the State Asset Forfeiture account reaches a balance of \$350,000. Once the account reaches this amount, the following is agreed upon:
 - i. 75% of revenues generated from cases initiated by the task force will be returned to the task force regardless of the jurisdiction within which the confiscation(s) is/are made. It is agreed that 15% of revenues from cases initiated by the task force will be returned to the member agency(s) within

the jurisdiction of the investigation.

- ii. It is also agreed in those cases/investigations initiated by member agencies but in which the task force participates, 50% of revenues generated will be returned to the participating member agency(s) according to the role each played and a maximum of 50% will be returned to the task force. The specific divisions will be decided on a case-by-case basis by the Chief/Sheriff of the participating member agency and the Special Agent in Charge of ODTF/MGGTF.
 - iii. The division of revenues as indicated above shall be effective after all costs (i.e., District Attorney's 10% fee, filing fees, advertising, court cost, administrative cost, etc.) associated with processing the forfeiture has been paid.
- b. In cases where members of the Ocmulgee Drug Task Force participate in a federal investigation, they are authorized to apply for Federal Equitable Sharing. According to new guidelines issued by the Department of Justice, the Ocmulgee Drug Task Force will utilize the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office as their Fiduciary Agency for Federal Equitable Sharing. Any monies filed on and/or awarded will be deposited in the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office Federal Asset Forfeiture Account.
- c. The grant administrator will keep a quarterly accounting of all state forfeited funds. In accordance with the State of Georgia's Title 9 Civil Forfeiture Procedure, all forfeitures transferred to the ODTF/MGGTF must be passed through the governing authority of the jurisdiction of the original seizure. In order to comply with the State of Georgia's Title 9 Civil Forfeiture Procedure, the ODTF/MGGTF will provide forfeiture documentation to each member as governing authority for accounting purposes only. ODTF/MGGTF forfeitures will be reported annually to the Carl Vinson Institute of Government through the Prosecuting Attorney Council (PAC) documentation system. All retained funds and property forfeited to the ODTF/MGGTF will be utilized to continue the task force project as stipulated by the CJCC and federal guidelines. The proceeds from the sale of property that has been retained and used by the ODTF/MGGTF shall be retained by the ODTF/MGGTF. All forfeited vehicles retained by the ODTF/MGGTF will be appropriately titled and insured by Baldwin County. Once said vehicles are disposed of by way of sale or auction, the ODTF/MGGTF shall retain the proceeds.

- d. The Georgia Bureau of Investigation is not eligible for forfeiture proceeds resulting from state seizures, and therefore, personnel assigned to the task force by the GBI will not be utilized in this formula. The GBI will participate in the federal asset forfeiture program regarding those cases or seizures that are prosecuted in U.S. District Court. The GBI's participation will be determined by the U.S. Attorney's Office.

D. INSURANCE AND LIABILITY

1. Each county governing authority or Municipal Corporation shall acquire and maintain a liability policy and/or law enforcement insurance covering the activities of its sheriff's office or police department personnel participating in the ODTF/MGGTF. This insurance policy shall defend and indemnify the county governing authority or municipal corporation and all of its assigned law enforcement personnel assigned to the ODTF/MGGTF. The policy must also defend and indemnify the elected officials, officers, agents, volunteers, and employees for any liability, claims, causes of action, judgments, damages, losses, costs, or expenses, including reasonable attorney fees, arising directly or indirectly from any act or omission of their officials, officers, employees, agents and/or volunteers.
2. Unless otherwise expressly agreed, each county governing authority or municipal corporation shall not be required to provide or maintain a policy of liability and/or law enforcement insurance covering the employees, agents, and volunteers of the other participating law enforcement agencies operating under ODTF/MGGTF policies even where one or more sheriffs deputize assigned officers.
3. Each party to this agreement expressly declines responsibility for the acts or omissions of another party and/or its elected officials, officers, agents, volunteers, and employees, whether deputized or otherwise. The parties to this agreement are not liable for the acts or omissions of another party to this agreement except to the extent they have agreed in writing to be responsible for the acts or omissions of the other parties and/or its elected officials, officers, agents, volunteers, and employees.
4. Nothing in this agreement shall constitute a waiver of any available immunities or defenses, and the limits of liability under any property and casualty insurance policy for some or all parties may not be added together to determine the maximum amount of liability for any party.
5. Nothing herein shall be construed to provide insurance coverage or indemnification to an

officer, employee, or volunteer of any Jurisdiction for any act or omission for which the officer, employee, or volunteer is guilty of malfeasance in office, willful neglect of duty, or bad faith.

6. Any excess or uninsured liability shall be borne proportionately by the county governing authority or Municipal Corporation in accordance with their law enforcement entity's role in the events leading to such liability. This does not include the liability of any individual officer, employee, or volunteer that arises from his or her own malfeasance, willful neglect of duty, or bad faith.
7. Each county governing authority or municipal corporation shall be responsible for providing insurance coverage for injuries or death to its personnel. Each local governing authority will maintain workers' compensation insurance or self-insurance coverage, covering personnel assigned by its law enforcement entity while they are assigned to the ODTF/MGGTF or are otherwise participating in or assisting with ODTF/MGGTF operations or activities. Each local governing authority waives the right to and agrees that it will not bring any claim or suit against any other local governing authority for any workers' compensation benefits paid to its own employee or dependents that arise out of participation in or assistance with ODTF/MGGTF operations or activities, even if the injuries were caused wholly or partially by the negligence of any other local governing authority or officers, employees, or volunteers assigned by its participating law enforcement entity.
8. Each local governing authority shall be responsible for damages to or loss of its own equipment. Each waives the right to and agrees that it will not bring any claim or suit against any other local governing authority for damages to or loss of its equipment arising out of participation in or assistance with ODTF/MGGTF operations or activities, even if the damages or losses were caused wholly or partially by the negligence of any other local governing authority or officers, employees, or volunteers assigned to the ODTF/MGGTF by its law enforcement entity.
9. All insurance policies and certificates required under this agreement shall be submitted to the Fiscal Agent within 30 days of signature of this intergovernmental agreement. Such policies and certificates shall be open to inspection by any county governing authority or municipal corporation, and copies of the policies or certificates shall be submitted to entities in this agreement upon written request.

E. COOPERATION OF JURISDICTIONS

1. The sheriffs, county governing authorities, and municipal corporations shall cooperate and use their best efforts to ensure that the various provisions of the agreement are fulfilled. All entities of this agreement will act in good faith to resolve any disputes in an equitable and timely manner and in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and applicable law.

F. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Should a court of competent jurisdiction rule any portion, section, or subsection of this intergovernmental agreement to be invalid or nullified, that fact shall not affect or invalidate any other portion, section, or subsection, and all remaining portions, sections, or subsections shall remain in full force and effect.
2. All entities of this agreement agree that the undersigned official is authorized by the governing bodies of each participating jurisdiction to sign this agreement. By affixing his or her signature to the agreement on behalf of a jurisdiction, the signing official indicates to the other jurisdictions that the signing individual has already secured if required, the ordinance or resolution manifesting prior approval from the governing body of his or her jurisdiction.
3. This agreement may be executed simultaneously in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which shall constitute the same instrument. It shall not be necessary that any single counterpart hereof be executed by all parties hereto so long as each party executes at least one counterpart. One originally signed copy of each counterpart shall be forwarded to and permanently maintained on file with the governing authority serving as the Fiscal Agent of the Byrne-JAG Grant funding.
4. All operational and management policies will be established and approved by a majority vote of the Operating. The Operating Committee will meet no less than once a quarter and record and maintain written minutes for all their meetings. The Executive Committee consists of the chairman and two sheriffs. The Control Board members vote on all members of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee oversees and implements decisions for task force personnel issues and any large financial expenditures.
5. Standard Operating Procedures/Directives governing activities of the Task Force will be adopted as a part of this MOU and will mirror those of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation. In certain instances, GBI directives/SOP may be non-applicable or not readily adaptable to task

force operations. In instances where GBI directives/SOP is inconsistent with the operational necessity of the Task Force, Task Force Directives may be substituted with the approval of the ODTF/MGGTF Operating Committee member and a majority vote of the Operating Committee.

6. By-laws governing general operational guidelines for the Ocmulgee Drug Task Force/Middle Georgia Gang Task Force will be adopted and agreed to as part of this MOU. The by-laws will include, at minimum: (Attachment A)
 - a) A statement of purpose.
 - b) The identification of member agencies.
 - c) Purpose, function, and makeup of the Control Group/Board.
 - d) Identification, selection, and duties of the Commander and Deputy Commander(s).
 - e) A set of procedures governing the selection, training, and drug testing of Task Force personnel.
 - f) Identify the area of operation and responsibility.
 - g) A procedure to identify, select, and prioritize investigative targets.

7. Adoption of Directives/Policies for Task Force Operations. All personnel assigned to the Task Force will meet or exceed the minimum qualifications established by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation and the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. Qualifications for Task Force personnel, specifically Task Force Commander, Assistant Commander, Task Force Agents, and Administrative Assistants, are described in Attachment A. Personnel seeking assignment to the Task Force will be disqualified for the following:
 - a) Failure of a GBI-administered polygraph examination.
 - b) Prior convictions for felonies and/or misdemeanors of a high and aggravated nature.
 - c) Use of any illegal drug or combination of illicit drugs, other than marijuana or illegal non-prescription anabolic steroids use, within

ten years.

- d) Use, purchase, or possession of marijuana or non-prescription anabolic steroids within one year.
 - e) Any pattern of drug use, including marijuana and non-prescription anabolic steroids, that suggests unrehabilitated substance abuse.
 - f) Failure of a drug screening.
 - g) Failure to meet certain financial obligations determined by a GBI background investigation.
 - h) Certain derogatory information developed as a result of a GBI background investigation.
8. All Task Force personnel will attend appropriate training sessions offered at the Public Safety Training Center and at other locations deemed appropriate by the Task Force Commander and/or the Operating Committee unless exempted by the Commander based on an assessment of past experience.
 9. Participating local agencies hereby agree that personnel assigned to the ODTF/MGGTF by their agencies as Task Force Agents will be committed to the ODTF/MGGTF unit for no less than three years unless released as a result of disciplinary action or at the joint agreement between the ODTF/MGGTF Commander and the affected Operating Committee member.
 10. The Task Force will coordinate its enforcement efforts with local law enforcement agencies, all District Attorneys from the affected regions, authorized state law enforcement agencies, and federal law enforcement agencies.
 11. The Task Force Commander will ensure that Task Force personnel have been sworn in by the GBI Director as GBI Task Force Agents for the State of Georgia prior to initiating any law enforcement efforts outside of their home agency territory, excluding any personnel detached from the Department of Public Safety or other State Agencies. Parent agencies will provide full liability insurance coverage for each Task Force Agent. Said Liability insurance coverage will ensure that when conducting law enforcement activities outside the jurisdictional boundaries of their employing agencies, Agents are covered through an active policy within their parent agency. This liability insurance shall be the responsibility of the parent agency providing enforcement authority to the individual Task Force Agents.

12. Task Force personnel will comply with the drug testing policies of the parent agencies, in addition to random drug testing provided by the task force.
13. It is recognized that investigative actions will be carried out by assigned local task force agents in areas located outside the participating Operating Committee members' jurisdiction. When operating outside of their respective jurisdictions. Task force agents will do so only with the knowledge and consent of the task force commander.
14. The Task Force Control Board agrees to abide by the particulars set forth in the Ocmulgee Drug Task Force/Middle Georgia Gang Task Force By-Laws. (Attachment A)
15. This Intergovernmental and Interagency Agreement commences January 1, 2025, and will continue until the Task Force is deemed non-viable by the stipulations of this agreement. This agreement creates a State and Local Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Task Force. The Georgia Bureau of Investigation agrees to participate as outlined above until the task force is dissolved by a unanimous vote of participating local agencies or the task force is no longer viable. The task force will be considered viable as long as no less than two local agencies participate by assigning at least one full-time agent. Should the task force be dissolved, all grant-purchased task force assets will be equally divided among current participating agencies utilizing the same division formula outlined in section 4-C (distribution of excess forfeited funds). The remaining cash forfeiture balances will be distributed in the same manner. **Agencies that withdraw from task force participation while the task force remains viable relinquish all claims and rights to task force assets.** Property purchased by the GBI for task force use will remain the property of the GBI.
16. This agreement has been considered, voted on, adopted, and approved by the following Control Board members and Governmental Authorities, which also agree that it is subject to revision as deemed appropriate by the Control Board and the Georgia Bureau of Investigation.
17. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed and approved and is effective and operative to each party as provided herein as of the day and year written below.

Signature pages are attached.

_____ Date _____
Baldwin County Board of Commissioners

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-24**A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AN APPLICATION BE SUBMITTED TO THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE (JAG) GRANT TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR THE OCMULGEE DRUG TASK FORCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners desire to receive funding from the Criminal Justice Coordinating County Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant to be used for the Ocmulgee Drug Task Force; and

WHEREAS, the Grant Subaward Number is AW-BJAG-L24-028-012 and the Award Number is 15PBJA-22-GG-00655-JAGX; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned grant provides \$392,451 for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Baldwin County, Georgia, and it hereby resolved by authority of the same, as follows:

- 1. Incorporation of Recitals.** The above stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.
- 2. Authorization of Grant Application.** The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the preparation and submission of a Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Edward Byrne Memorial Assistance (JAG) Grant.
- 3. Authorization of Chairman.** The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners to sign any documentation or take any other action necessary or reasonably required to carry out, give effect to, and consummate the application and administration of the Grant and to take all action necessary in conformity therewith.
- 4. Severability.** In case any one or more of the provisions of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution, but this Resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision had not been contained herein.
- 5. Repeal of Conflicting Resolutions.** Any and all resolutions in conflict with this Resolution this day passed be and they are hereby repealed.
- 6. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

SO RESOLVED, this 4th day of February, 2025.

BALDWIN COUNTY, GEORGIA

Honorable Andrew Strickland, Chairman
Baldwin County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Bo Danuser, County Clerk
Baldwin County Georgia

DATE ADOPTED _____

[SEAL]

GRANT AWARD

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

2024 Edward Byrne Memorial JAG - Local Application

SUBAWARDEE: Ocmulgee Drug Task Force CFDA NUMBER: 16.738

Employer Identification Number (EIN): 586000782 SUBAWARD NUMBER: AW-BJAG-L24-028-012

IMPLEMENTING AGENCY: Ocmulgee Drug Task Force SUBGRANT PERIOD: 01/01/2025 - 08/31/2025

PROJECT TYPE: Law Enforcement SUB AWARD AMOUNT: \$392,451.00

AWARD NUMBER: 15PBJA-22-GG-00655-JAGX MATCHING FUNDS: \$0.00

AWARD PERIOD: 10/01/2021 - 09/30/2025 TOTAL FUNDS: \$392,451.00

This Award is hereby made in the amount and for the period shown above for a Subgrant under the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, Public law 100-690, Title VI, Subtitle C. The award is made in accordance with the plan set forth in the application of the Subgrantee and subject to any attached special conditions. The Subgrantee has agreed through the executed copy of certified assurances to be subject to all applicable rules, regulations, and conditions of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988. This Subgrant shall become effective on the beginning date of the grant period, provided that within forty-five (45) days of the award execution date (below) the properly executed original of this "Subgrant Award" is returned to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council.

Reimbursement/Payment Frequency:

Agency Approval



Jay Neal, Director
Criminal Justice Coordinating

Date

1/21/2025

Awardee Approval

Signed Name: _____

Printed Name: Andrew Strickland

Title: Chairman

Date: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-25

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AN APPLICATION BE SUBMITTED TO THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE (JAG) GRANT TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR THE OCMULGEE DRUG TASK FORCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners desire to receive funding from the Criminal Justice Coordinating County Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant to be used for the Ocmulgee Drug Task Force; and

WHEREAS, the Grant Subaward Number is AW-BJAG-L24-028-013 and the Award Number is 15PBJA-21-GG-00242-JAGX; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned grant provides \$98,815 for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Baldwin County, Georgia, and it hereby resolved by authority of the same, as follows:

- 1. Incorporation of Recitals.** The above stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.
- 2. Authorization of Grant Application.** The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the preparation and submission of a Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Edward Byrne Memorial Assistance (JAG) Grant.
- 3. Authorization of Chairman.** The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners to sign any documentation or take any other action necessary or reasonably required to carry out, give effect to, and consummate the application and administration of the Grant and to take all action necessary in conformity therewith.
- 4. Severability.** In case any one or more of the provisions of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution, but this Resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision had not been contained herein.
- 5. Repeal of Conflicting Resolutions.** Any and all resolutions in conflict with this Resolution this day passed be and they are hereby repealed.
- 6. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

SO RESOLVED, this 4th day of February, 2025.

BALDWIN COUNTY, GEORGIA

Honorable Andrew Strickland, Chairman
Baldwin County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Bo Danuser, County Clerk
Baldwin County Georgia

DATE ADOPTED _____

[SEAL]

Grant # 2

Item 9.

GRANT AWARD

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

2024 Edward Byrne Memorial JAG - Local Application

SUBAWARDEE: Ocmulgee Drug Task Force CFDA NUMBER: 16.738

Employer Identification Number (EIN): 586000782 SUBAWARD NUMBER: AW-BJAG-L24-028-013

IMPLEMENTING AGENCY: Ocmulgee Drug Task Force SUBGRANT PERIOD: 01/01/2025 - 08/31/2025

PROJECT TYPE: Law Enforcement SUB AWARD AMOUNT: \$98,815.00

AWARD NUMBER: 15PBJA-21-GG-00242-JAGX MATCHING FUNDS: \$0.00

AWARD PERIOD: 10/01/2020 - 09/30/2025 TOTAL FUNDS: \$98,815.00

This Award is hereby made in the amount and for the period shown above for a Subgrant under the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, Public law 100-690, Title VI, Subtitle C. The award is made in accordance with the plan set forth in the application of the Subgrantee and subject to any attached special conditions. The Subgrantee has agreed through the executed copy of certified assurances to be subject to all applicable rules, regulations, and conditions of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988. This Subgrant shall become effective on the beginning date of the grant period, provided that within forty-five (45) days of the award execution date (below) the properly executed original of this "Subgrant Award" is returned to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council.

Reimbursement/Payment Frequency: Quarterly

Agency Approval



Jay Neal, Director
Criminal Justice Coordinating

Date

1/21/2025

Awardee Approval

Signed Name: _____

Printed Name: Andrew Strickland

Title: Chairman

Date: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-26

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AN APPLICATION BE SUBMITTED FOR THE GEORGIA WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) GRANT FOR FUNDING THE DISLOCATED WORKER PROGRAM FOR THE OF PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners desire to continue to receive funding from the Georgia Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Grant Number 36-23-24-06-011 FAIN 23A55AW000013; and

WHEREAS, the Grant provides funding of \$350,000 for the period of October 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Baldwin County, Georgia, and it hereby resolved by authority of the same, as follows:

- 1. Incorporation of Recitals.** The above stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.
- 2. Authorization of Grant Application.** The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the preparation and submission of a Georgia Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Grant.
- 3. Authorization of Chairman.** The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners to sign any documentation or take any other action necessary or reasonably required to carry out, give effect to, and consummate the application and administration of the Grant and to take all action necessary in conformity therewith.
- 4. Severability.** In case any one or more of the provisions of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution, but this Resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision had not been contained herein.
- 5. Repeal of Conflicting Resolutions.** Any and all resolutions in conflict with this Resolution this day passed be and they are hereby repealed.
- 6. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

SO RESOLVED, this 4th day of March, 2025.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

BALDWIN COUNTY, GEORGIA

Honorable Andrew Strickland, Chairman
Baldwin County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Bo Danuser, County Clerk
Baldwin County Georgia

DATE ADOPTED _____

[SEAL]

Technical College System of Georgia, Office of Workforce Development
GEORGIA WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA)

STATEMENT OF GRANT AWARD

RECIPIENT: Baldwin County

LOCAL WORKFORCE AREA: 011

REGION: 06

TOTAL FUNDS: \$ 350,000
Admin not to exceed: \$ 35,000

GRANT NO: 36-23-24-06-011

FAIN: 23A55AW000013

GRANT PERIOD:

FROM: 10/01/2024

THRU: 06/30/2025

GRANT YEAR: FY 2024

PROGAM TITLE/TYPER: I Dislocated Worker as an Adult Program

CFDA NO: 17.278

This award is hereby made, in the amount and for the period shown above, from a grant under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (P.L. 113-128), as amended, to the above mentioned recipient, and in accordance with the Workforce Innovation Plan project application. This award is subject to any attached assurances, revisions, special conditions, or waivers.

This award is subject to all applicable policies, rules and regulations, and conditions as prescribed by the Technical College System of Georgia's Office of Workforce Development (OWD) and the United States Department of Labor. It is also subject to such further laws, rules, regulations and policies as may be reasonably prescribed by the State of Georgia or the Federal Government under Public Law 113-128, as amended.

This grant becomes effective on the beginning of the grant period, provided that within thirty (30) days of the award execution date (below), the properly executed original Statement of Grant Award and any of the attached properly executed revisions, waivers and special condition statements are returned to OWD.

- This award is subject to Certification Regarding the Role of the Local Grant Recipient
- This award is subject to Subrecipient Designation (if applicable)
- This award is subject to Liability Waiver
- This award is subject to Certification on Nondiscrimination and Equal Opportunity Requirements
- This award is subject to Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements
- This award is subject to Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension
- This award is subject to Certification For Lobbying
- This award is subject to Statement of Assurances
- This award is subject to special conditions (attached)

Technical College System of Georgia
Title I Executive Director, Office of Workforce Development

2-18-2025

Date Executed

I, Andrew Strickland (typed) acting under my authority to contract on behalf of the recipient of the above described grant on the terms and conditions stated above or incorporated by reference therein, do hereby accept this Grant Award.

2-18-2025

Date of Acceptance

Andrew Strickland

Chairperson

Authorized Signature

Chairman

Title (typed)

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Board of Directors February 25, 2025

Sharon Seymour
Chair

To: Baldwin County Commission Chair Andrew Strickland
RE: Action from Baldwin County Commission
CC: Baldwin County Manager Carlos Tobar
Assistant Baldwin County Manager Dawn Hudson
Baldwin County Clerk Bo Danuser

Derek Williams
Vice Chair

Mac Patel
Secretary

Andrew,

Greg Tyson
Treasurer

The Development Authority of the City of Milledgeville - Baldwin County (DAMBC) is applying for a grant offer from the Georgia Rural Site Development Initiative administered by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA). The maximum grant amount is \$2,000,000 and requires a local 10% match. Those funds can come from SPLOST funds. The purpose of the grant is to partially fund a needed park entrance and road construction at Sibley Place Industrial Park.

Tyrone Evans

In order to apply for the maximum grant award, we need a commitment letter stating that \$200,000 is set aside for the match and we also need a letter of support.

Dr. Noris Price

I am including drafts of both of those requests and request that the action be placed on the agenda for the March 4, 2025 Baldwin County Commission meeting.

Edward Walker

Please let me know if you have any questions and I will be glad to answer them. The grant deadline is at the end of March so this request is timely.

Walter Reynolds
Ex-Officio Member
City Liaison

Thank you for your consideration.

Jonathan Jackson
Executive Director

Kevin Brown
Counsel

Jonathan Jackson
Executive Director
Development Authority of the City of Milledgeville - Baldwin County

Insert Baldwin County Board of Commissioners Letterhead

March 4, 2024

Wylly Harrison
Georgia Department of Economic Development
Georgia Rural Site Development Initiative
Technology Square, 75 5th St. NW
Suite 1200
Atlanta, GA 30308

Dear Wylly,

The Georgia Rural Site Development Initiative requires a 10% match. This letter serves as the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners' commitment to meet the matching fund requirements for the Rural Site Development Initiative application authorizing \$200,000.

This match will be met through:

Name of funding source: SPLOST

The local matching fund requirement is \$200,000 and available date March 15, 2025.

Please contact Carlos Tobar, County Manager, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Andrew Strickland, Chairman

Baldwin County Board of Commissioners

Insert Baldwin County Board of Commissioners Letterhead

March 4, 2024

Wylly Harrison
Georgia Department of Economic Development
Georgia Rural Site Development Initiative
Technology Square, 75 5th St. NW
Suite 1200
Atlanta, GA 30308

Dear Wylly,

I am writing this letter of support for the Development Authority of the City of Milledgeville – Baldwin County's (DAMBC) application for grant funding through Georgia's Rural Site Development Initiative. As the lead agency in responding to multiple retractions of state and federal funding brought about by decentralization of mental health care, International trade policy and changes in corrections, DAMBC has worked to strengthen the existing industrial base, grow the tax digest and cultivate jobs for Baldwin County. Continued development at the 1,500-acre Sibley Place Industrial Park will continue the grant funding would help DAMBC increase the inventory at the park which has been reviewed by some of the largest economic development projects in the state. The park has yet to be selected by a prospect but we believe by improving the site conditions, we may soon locate our first park tenant.

The award of this grant would be greatly beneficial to all Baldwin County citizens and would help us achieve our highest priority of helping people go to work. The grant funding would be used to fund an entryway and roadway into the park. We believe that the grant funding would be instrumental in developing the park and helping to shape our economic landscape.

For these reasons the Baldwin County Commission offers support to the Development Authority of the City of Milledgeville – Baldwin County in this endeavor. Thank you for your positive consideration of this grant application and thank you for you continued work in advancing positive growth in Georgia.

Sincerely,

Andrew Strickland, Chairman

Baldwin County Board of Commissioners