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MOBILE COUNTY COMMISSION

The Mobile County Commission met in special meeting session in the Government Plaza Auditorium, in the City of Mobile, Alabama, on Monday, April 5, 2021, at 1:30 P. M. The following members of the Commission were present: Merceria Ludgood, President, and Randall Dueitt, Member. Connie Hudson, Member, attended virtually. Also present were Dana Foster-Allen, Finance Director/Clerk of the Commission, Jay Ross, County Attorney, and W. Bryan Kegley II, County Engineer. President Ludgood chaired the meeting.

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INVOCATION

The invocation was given by President Merceria Ludgood, Commissioner of District 1.

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**Dena Pollard, Public Affairs Manager:** Good afternoon, Commissioners. Philip Burton would like to address the Commission before the agenda starts.

**President Merceria Ludgood:** Okay.

**Philip Burton, President and CEO of Burton Property Group, 41 West I-65 Service Road North, Suite 310, Mobile, Alabama 36608:** I am Philip Burton with Burton Property Group. I'll be brief. I just wanted to thank the Commissioners for your effort in this endeavor. It has been a long time coming. We are excited about this important step. I'll leave you with that and I thank you again.

**President Ludgood:** Thank you.

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AGENDA #1

APPROVE PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT/  
MOBILE COUNTY/CITY OF MOBILE/SALP, LLC

**President Merceria Ludgood:** Before we consider this matter, let's do a sound check with you, Commissioner Connie Hudson.

**Commissioner Connie Hudson:** Yes, I can hear you, President Merceria Ludgood.

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**President Ludgood:** Okay. Great.

**Commissioner Randall Dueitt:** I can hear you.

**Commissioner Hudson:** One question, Commissioners. Is this contingent on final legal review or are we ready to approve it as is today?

**Jay Ross, County Attorney:** Commissioner Hudson, we are ready to approve it as is presented to the Commission. The same agreement will be given to the City Council tomorrow.

**Commissioner Hudson:** Okay.

Commissioner Dueitt moved, seconded by Commissioner Hudson, that the Board approve Project Development Agreement among Mobile County, the City of Mobile, and SALP, LLC for the development of a warehousing and distribution park located at the southwest corner of the intersection of I-10 and Theodore-Dawes Road in Mobile County. The County's economic incentive to the project will be up to \$3,000,000.00 for the construction of a roadway through the property and such road shall be built and constructed by the Developer and accepted by the County after completion. The 772 public notice was advertised in the Mobile Press Register on Sunday, March 21, 2021, and authorize the President to execute agreement on behalf of Mobile County.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Commissioner Dueitt:** Can I make a quick comment?

**President Ludgood:** Sure.

**Commissioner Dueitt:** I just wanted to say thank you to Philip Burton, his group, and the other partners in this. Long before I was on the County Commission, I started to meet with him about this project. I think it is an exciting project for not only my district, but for all of Mobile County and the jobs it will bring here and the economic impact it will have in our community for years to come.

**Commissioner Hudson:** Commissioners, if I may, I'd like to echo that. The possibilities of this type of park was first introduced to me on a leadership trip to Savannah, Georgia. If we can be as successful as they have been with what has happened there, there will be great things ahead. I wish Philip Burton and his company the best of success. I think it is a win-win for all of us. Thank you.

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**President Ludgood:** Philip Burton, I know you have been working on this for a long time. This day has been long coming. You have been back and forth along with in and out and all of that, but it sounds like we're here. Congratulations to you and thank you for your investment in Mobile County.

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AGENDA #2

ADJOURN

Commissioner Hudson moved, seconded by Commissioner Dueitt, that the Board approve a request for motion to adjourn until April 12, 2021.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Merceria Ludgood, President

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Connie Hudson, Member

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Randall Dueitt, Member

ATTEST:

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Dana Foster-Allen, Finance Director