

STATE OF ALABAMA           §

LAUDERDALE COUNTY       §

The Lauderdale County Commission convened at the Lauderdale County Courthouse in the City of Florence, Alabama, at 5:00 p.m. on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman of the Lauderdale County Commission, Danny Pettus. Upon roll call the following members answered present:

Danny Pettus	Chairman
Brad Holmes	Commissioner, District 1
Roger Garner	Commissioner, District 1
Joe Hackworth	Commissioner, District 2
Fay Parker	Commissioner, District 2
Legal Counsel:	
Christopher A. Smith	County Attorney

Chairman Danny Pettus, upon declaration of a quorum being present, opened the meeting for the transaction of business.

The invocation and Pledge of Allegiance were delivered by Commissioner Parker.

Awards and Presentations: None

Public Comments on Agenda Items: None

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner that all items listed on the regular business agenda be approved for immediate consideration. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Agenda is herein recorded and made a part of these minutes.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Hackworth that the minutes of the last regular meeting of the Commission be approved for recording. There being no discussion and upon vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve a resolution to authorize the removal of a 2009 Ford E350 Econo Van from inventory to be disposed of or sold by online bidding process through govdeals.com. The item is recorded as County Asset #7354, VIN 1FBNE31L19DA58534. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Hackworth moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve a resolution to authorize the purchase of two twenty-five-yard rear loader refuse trucks from Houston Freightliner. The items are for the Solid Waste Department with a total cost of four hundred eighty-two thousand eight hundred forty-two dollars. Any budget amendment need is herein approved. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to authorize a resolution to approve a three-year contract for sales tax collection services with AVENU Insights & Analytics, LLC, of Birmingham, Alabama. The three-year contract will be effective through February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The Commission will pay two dollars and fifty cents per account, per transaction and seventy-three dollars per hour for audit services with the audit service rate increasing three-percent annually. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Hackworth to approve a resolution to authorize partnering with North Alabama Medical Center (NAMC) regarding mobile COVID vaccination stations in Lauderdale County. The Commission authorizes a contract with NAMC for medical services performed by their staff at a rate of one hundred ten dollars per hour for the duration of the mobile vaccination clinic project. The Commission approves the Hospital Staff Agreement and any budget amendment needed for this project. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and agreement are herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Garner moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes to approve a resolution to authorize partnering with Coldwater Consultants regarding mobile COVID vaccination stations in Lauderdale County. The Commission authorizes a contract with Coldwater Consultant for project management services at a rate of twenty dollars per hour, not to exceed twenty thousand dollars, plus mileage and related expenses. The Commission approves the Professional Services Agreement and any budget amendment needed for this project. Commissioner Holmes thanked EMA Director, George Grabryan, and his staff for bringing this project to fruition for the benefit of the rural members of Lauderdale County. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution and agreement are herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Hackworth to approve a resolution to renew property, equipment, physical damage and cyber liability coverage through J. Smith Lanier. The insurance policy renewal period is effective March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, through March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. The total premium cost is one hundred thirty-two thousand one hundred eighty-nine dollars and any budget amendment needed for this is approved. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Resolution is herein recorded and made part of these minutes.

In compliance with bid laws of the State of Alabama, sealed bids were advertised for Bid LA 2021-6 "Various Print Bids". Bids were received and publicly read aloud on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Chairman Pettus asked Lauderdale County Administrator, Brenda Bryant, for her recommendation. Ms. Bryant stated that only one bidder, Printers & Stationers of Florence, submitted a bid on the two items. She recommended we go with the quantity requested and not take a price break on either item. Reappraisal Tangible Personal Property Returns are priced at one thousand seven hundred ninety-five dollars for a quantity of fifteen thousand. County Commission Letterhead is priced at one hundred ninety-five dollars for a quantity of two thousand. Commissioner Holmes stated that he would like to look into other options regarding letterhead artwork. Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to follow Ms. Bryant's recommendation on the Reappraisal item and wait on the Commission Letterhead item and seek other options for the artwork. There being no further discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved. Bid for Reappraisal item is awarded to Printers & Stationers of Florence, Alabama. Bid tabulation sheet is recorded and made part of these minutes.

Commissioner Parker moved, seconded by Commissioner Holmes to approve the reappointment of Trent Butler and Steve Watkins to the Chisholm Heights Water & Fire Protection Authority Board. Their appointments will begin immediately and expire March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2027. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Hackworth moved, seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve the reappointment of Bobby McCormick to the West Lauderdale Water Board. Mr. McCormick's appointment will begin immediately and expire March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2027. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

Commissioner Holmes moved, seconded by Commissioner Garner to authorize a request submitted by Eric Hill, Road Department Engineer, for one of his employees to take medical leave. The leave will begin March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, through April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021. All necessary paperwork is in order for this request. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

All invoiced bills were audited, allowed and ordered to be paid upon by a motion made by Commissioner Garner and seconded by Commissioner Holmes. There being no discussion and upon a vote taken, motion unanimously approved.

#### CHECKS ISSUED FEBRUARY 22, 2021 THROUGH MARCH 7, 2021

GENERAL-SPECIAL CHECK #57289-57346 (Void #57339)	\$1,146,758.53
AGRI-BUSINESS FUND CHECK #3871	\$152.98
LEPA FUND CHECK #8535-8542	\$5,252.55
GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK #17732-17747	\$249,405.68
PUBLIC BLDG., R & B SPECIAL CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
PUBLIC HIGHWAY & TRAFFIC FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
AL. TRUST CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
RRR GASOLINE TAX FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
REAPPRAISAL FUND CHECK #11996-12005	\$35,567.47
REAPPRAISAL MONEY MARKET CHECK #589	\$100,000.00
TOURISM, REC. & CONVENTION FUND CHECK #559-560	\$3,596.92

RSVP FUND CHECK #17676-17684	\$2,475.58
CHILD PROTECTION FUND CHECK #1249	\$1,398.12
REBUILD ALABAMA GAS TAX FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
REBUILD ALABAMA DIESEL TAX FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
FEDERAL AID EXCHANGE FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
WORKPLACE DEVELOPMENT CENTER FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
SPECIAL GRANTS FUND CHECK #1001	\$157,081.00
CDBG FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
SOLID WASTE FUND CHECK #8306-8323	\$180,883.59
ACCOUNT PAYABLE FUND CHECK #43937-43993	\$185,341.01
FIRE PROTECTION FEE FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT TAX FUND CHECK #N/A	\$0.00
TOBACCO TAX FUND CHECK #3108-3110	\$7,110.00
TVA TAX FUND CHECK #6051-6063	\$353,199.43
TOTAL:	\$2,428,222.86

Scheduled Public Hearings: None

Staff Reports: None

Public Comment Period: None

Clay Mize of 504 County Road 315 in Florence, came before the Commission to share an idea regarding the monument in front of the Courthouse. His statement is attached and made part of these minutes.

There being no further business to come before the Commission and upon a motion made by Commissioner Garner and seconded by Commissioner Parker, the meeting was duly adjourned until the next regular meeting subject to call.

LAUDERDALE COUNTY COMMISSION



Danny Pettus, Chairman



Roger Garner, Commissioner



Brad Holmes, Commissioner



Fay Parker, Commissioner



Joe Hackworth, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Brenda Bryant, County Administrator

**LAUDERDALE COUNTY COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**  
**March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**A. OFFICIAL AGENDA**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME
2. CALL OF ROLL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM
3. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- Commissioner Parker
4. AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS
5. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Per Rules of Procedure there is a three-minute time limit

**B. REGULAR BUSINESS**

1. Review and Motion to Consider Agenda Items
2. Approve minutes of last meeting
3. Resolution – Remove Inventory Item
4. Resolution – Solid Waste Garbage Trucks
5. Resolution – Tax Collection Service
6. Resolution – NAMC Contract
7. Resolution – Project Manager Contract
8. Resolution – Insurance Renewal
9. Bid LA 2021-6 – Print Bid
10. Approval of Board Appointments
11. Approval of Medical Leave
12. Audit and Approve Invoiced Bills

**C. SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS – none**

**D. STAFF REPORTS**

**E. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (Per Rules of Procedure there is a three-minute time limit)**

**F. ADJOURN**

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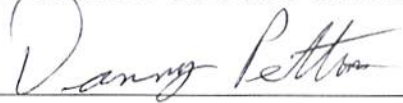
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Lauderdale County has a 2009 Ford E350 Econo Van, asset #7354, VIN #1FBNE31L19DA58534, to be removed from inventory and be disposed of or sold by online bidding process through *govdeals.com*.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Lauderdale County Commission that the asset listed above will be removed from inventory and sold or disposed of accordingly.

Done this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.


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Danny Pettus, Chairman



Roger Garner, Commissioner



Brad Holmes, Commissioner

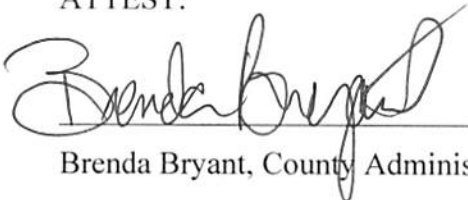


Fay Parker, Commissioner



Joe Hackworth, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Brenda Bryant, County Administrator

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Lauderdale County Solid Waste Department is purchasing two twenty-five-yard rear loader refuse trucks from Houston Freightliner; and

WHEREAS, the two garbage trucks will cost a total of four hundred eighty-two thousand eight hundred forty-two dollars.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Lauderdale County Commission that the Lauderdale County Solid Waste Department may purchase these items and any budget amendment necessary is hereby authorized and approved.

Done this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.

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Danny Pettus, Chairman



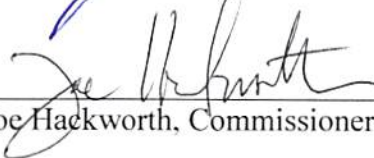
Roger Garner, Commissioner



Brad Holmes, Commissioner

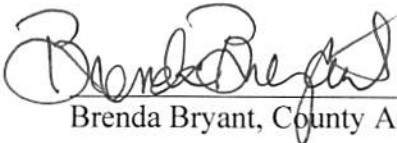


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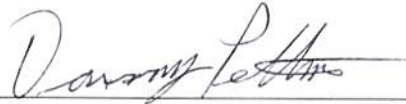
### RESOLUTION

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Lauderdale County Commission to enter into a contract for sales tax collection services with AVENU Insights & Analytics, LLC, of Birmingham, Alabama, for a period of three years beginning March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, through February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

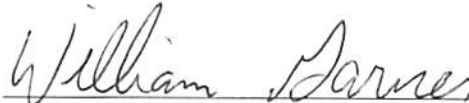
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lauderdale County Commission shall pay to AVENU the sum of two dollars and fifty cents per account, per transaction, and seventy-three dollars per hour for audit services. Each year, on the anniversary date of the agreement, the hourly rate for audit services will increase by three percent.

Done this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.


LAUDERDALE COUNTY COMMISSION



Danny Pettus, Chairman



Roger Garner, Commissioner



Brad Holmes, Commissioner



Fay Parker, Commissioner



Joe Hackworth, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Brenda Bryant, County Administrator

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WHEREAS, a national and state of emergency continues regarding the ongoing COVID-19 Coronavirus epidemic; and

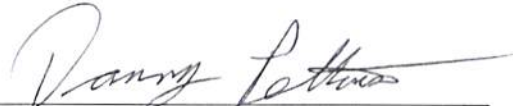
WHEREAS, the Lauderdale County Commission wishes to provide accommodations in order to expedite the COVID-19 vaccination process; and

WHEREAS, the Commission will partner with North Alabama Medical Center (NAMC) in using their medical staff to provide these services through mobile vaccination clinics in Lauderdale County at a rate of one hundred ten dollars per hour for this vaccination project.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Lauderdale County Commission that the attached Hospital Staff Agreement and any budget amendment needed is herein approved for the COVID-19 mobile vaccination clinics.

Done this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.

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Danny Pettus, Chairman



Roger Garner, Commissioner



Brad Holmes, Commissioner

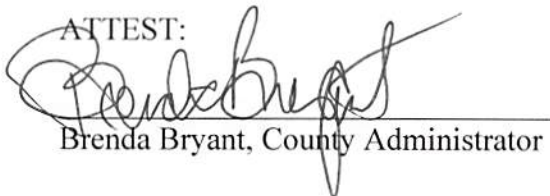


Fay Parker, Commissioner



Joe Hackworth, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Brenda Bryant, County Administrator

## **HOSPITAL STAFF AGREEMENT**

This agreement is between the Lauderdale County Commission (hereinafter referred to as "county") and North Alabama Medical Center (hereinafter referred to as "NAMC").

### **PURPOSE**

The county needs medical support in its efforts to get Covid-19 vaccines delivered to areas of the county distant from the city of Florence. NAMC possesses the expertise and medical staff to provide these services at a rate of \$110 per hour for this remote clinic(s). Said expertise and staff would be provided on an as needed basis which will be determined by the availability of the Covid-19 vaccine and staffing needs as dictated and established by county's project manager.

### **RATE**

The staffing support provided by NAMC to the county will be billed at a rate of \$110 per hour. Said billing shall be sent from NAMC to the county through the county's office located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Lauderdale County Courthouse. Said payments will be made after an authorizing resolution has been passed by the county for each billing cycle.

### **AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION**

This contract is entered into by the county after passing an authorizing resolution at a duly scheduled County Commission meeting.

This agreement is entered into on this the 22nd day of March, 2021.

By: Danny Patten  
ITS Commission Chairman  
Lauderdale County Commission

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
ITS \_\_\_\_\_  
North Alabama Medical Center

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WHEREAS, a national and state of emergency continues regarding the ongoing COVID-19 Coronavirus epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the Lauderdale County Commission wishes to provide accommodations in order to expedite the COVID-19 vaccination process; and

WHEREAS, the Commission will partner with Coldwater Consultants for Project Management services in organizing mobile vaccination clinics in Lauderdale County at a rate of twenty dollars per hour not to exceed twenty thousand dollars, plus mileage and expenditures relevant to this vaccination project.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Lauderdale County Commission that the attached Professional Services Agreement and any budget amendment needed is herein approved for the COVID-19 mobile vaccination clinics.

Done this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.


LAUDERDALE COUNTY COMMISSION



Danny Pettus, Chairman



Roger Garner, Commissioner



Brad Holmes, Commissioner



Fay Parker, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Brenda Bryant, County Administrator



Joe Hackworth, Commissioner

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT**

This agreement is between the Lauderdale County Commission (hereinafter referred to as "county") and Coldwater Consultants, Project Manager (hereinafter referred to as "Coldwater").

### **SERVICES**

The county needs a project manager to oversee management of the county's support efforts for Covid-19 vaccination for the citizens of Lauderdale County. Coldwater has the expertise and experience to provide the necessary management of the county related functions/activities for vaccination activities to foster the factors needed to facilitate vaccination clinics.

### **TERM AND RATE**

Melton shall be compensated by the county at a rate of \$20 per hour not to exceed \$20,000, plus mileage and expenditures relevant to this vaccination project. The proof of hours worked shall be determined by the payment procedures of the county with the agreement of Coldwater.

### **AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION**

This agreement is entered into by the county after passing an authorizing resolution at a duly scheduled County Commission meeting.

This agreement is entered into on this the 22 day of March, 2021.

By:   
ITS Chairman  
Lauderdale County Commission

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
ITS  
Coldwater Consultants LLC

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Lauderdale County Commissions continues to maintain property insurance on County owned buildings and property such as heavy equipment and commercial vehicle physical damage as well as cyber liability; and

WHEREAS, the Lauderdale County Commission received renewal options for all the coverages listed and will renew this coverage effective 3/1/2021 through 3/1/2022.

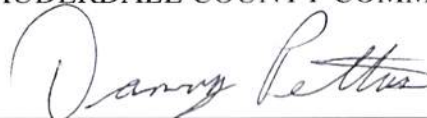
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Lauderdale County Commission to approve the renewal of an insurance policy through J. Smith Lanier & Company agency with Travelers Insurance Company for the following coverages and premium amounts:

Property Insurance (Including Earthquake)	\$ 73,990.00
Commercial Inland Marine (Equipment)	\$ 10,236.00
Heavy Vehicle Physical Damage	\$ 39,531.00
Cyber Liability	\$ 8,432.00
TOTAL	\$ 132,189.00

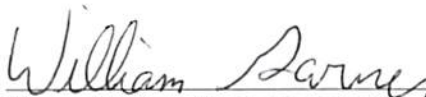
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any budget amendment needed is hereby authorized and approved.

Done this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.

LAUDERDALE COUNTY COMMISSION



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Roger Garner, Commissioner



Brad Holmes, Commissioner

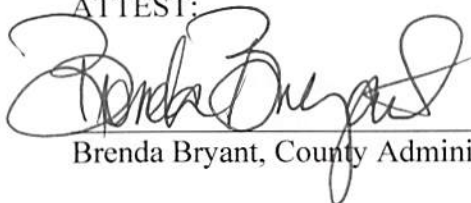


Fay Parker, Commissioner



Joe Hackworth, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Brenda Bryant, County Administrator



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BID ITEM:

"Various Printing Jobs"

OPENING:

Friday, March 5, 2021

DATE MAILED:

Monday, February 22, 2021

	NO BID	LOW BID	NO RESPONSE	COUNTY COMMISSION LETTEHEAD	REAPPRAISAL - TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY RETURN
				Wait	Award
Data Pro Attn: Joe Smith 2106-A West Ferry Way Huntsville, AL 35801			✓		
First Impressions 459 James Road Hampton Cove, AL 35763			✓		
Herald Printing 328 N. Pine Street Florence, AL 35630			✓		
Printer & Stationers 113 N Court Street Florence, AL 35630				2,000 \$195.00 4,000 \$369.00	15,000 \$1795.00 30,000 \$3,449.00
Diversified Companies, LLC Attn: John Dawson 3721 Powers Court Chattanooga, TN 37416			✓		
IMS Enterprises 3115 Northington Ct Florence, AL 35630			✓		

NO TO QTY BREAK  
per Brencia Bryant

NO TO QTY BREAK  
per Steve Perry

**Ladies and Gentlemen,**

**My name is Clay Mize. I am here today to suggest a more meaningful and transformative solution to the Confederate Monument issue.**

**Let us consider taking this issue as an opportunity to be leaders not only in the community, but in the nation for a new way of seeing without obliterating the record of the past.**

**The history of the civil war is a fascinating and informative study of the nature of human beings. History should continue to educate us and future generations. This history is more complicated and nuanced than some want us to believe.**

**It is the complications that should inform us. Did you know that almost every county in Alabama north of Birmingham voted to remain in the Union? And how could Black slaves have fought for the Confederacy as many did.**

**I was born in the only state in the south that didn't succeed from the Union. Who knows what state that was? Yeah, The Free State of Winston and they decided not only to succeed from Alabama, but to be a Free State and not a slave state. There are many more issues like this of this time period we must continue to investigate.**

**What we have not done as good a job as we should in the South is to memorialize what a contentious issue this was, not only between north and south, but in the south. How it was a war of neighbor against neighbor and brother against brother.**

**How can we do a better job of doing that going forward? I believe we should think together as a community how to do that. Let me submit an idea that helps us think, but goes beyond the Civil War. I say we urge the community to commission a sculptor. Let's create a memorial sculpture with a Confederate soldier, a Union soldier, an African Slave and an American Indian facing one another in a circle. The name of the memorial could be "What have we learned."**

**I believe we could unite the community as we look to memorialize those who have gone before us and create something that does not necessarily push a judgmental narrative, but instead something that humbles us and makes us think. I also believe our community would be contributing to the national dialog to promote unity like our community has so often done.**

**Thank you for giving me an opportunity to speak.**