

**MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION
OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
OF THE CITY OF STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI
FEBRUARY 16, 2024**

Be it remembered that the Mayor and members of the Board of Aldermen met in a Work Session on Friday, February 16, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. in the second-floor conference room of City Hall located at 110 West Main Street, Starkville, MS. Present were Mayor D. Lynn Spruill, Alderman Sandra Sistrunk, Alderman Jeffrey Rupp, Alderman Mike Brooks, Alderman Hamp Beatty, Alderman Henry Vaughn Sr., and newly elected Alderman Moreland, City Attorney Berk Huskison and Deputy City Clerk Joanna McLaurin were also present.

Mayor Spruill opened the work session. The work session was properly noticed pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. §25-41-13 and a copy of that notice is included in the minutes. The work session was live streamed on Facebook. The public and media were welcomed and attended. The session is also available for viewing on the City website.

Joe Max Higgins and the GTR Link gave an update on project Squeeze and the NorthStar Grant match.

Brandon Doherty gave an update on the Park and Rec Programming for the 2024 calendar year.

The Mayor and members of the Board discussed items on the upcoming February 20, 2024 agenda. Department Directors were available to answer questions related to the items. All agenda items were discussed.

SIGNED AND SEALED THIS THE 5TH DAY OF MARCH, 2024.

MAYOR D. LYNN SPRUILL

Attest:

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JOANNA MCLAURIN
DEPUTY CITY CLERK



State of Mississippi

TATE REEVES
Governor

MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

January 9, 2024

Mr. Joe Max Higgins
Chief Executive Officer
Golden Triangle Development LINK
P.O. Box 1328
Columbus, MS 39703

Dear Joe,

Through the Site Development Grant – Select Sites Program, MDA is pleased to partner with eligible local partners to support the development of highly competitive industrial sites in Mississippi that are ready to meet prospective companies' needs. To support this effort, the state's electric utilities contracted with Greenville, SC-based Strategic Development Group to evaluate a number of the state's top industrial sites. In its evaluation, Strategic Development Group recognized the strengths of the Northstar Industrial Park in Oktibbeha County.

MDA is committed to supporting Oktibbeha County in developing Northstar and is extending an invitation to the Oktibbeha County Board of Supervisors to apply for Select Sites funding in support of site development work at the site. Based on the cost estimates you submitted to our office, we are offering a grant of up to \$2,518,380 to construct a 200,000-square-foot building pad and other eligible expenses as approved by MDA. We will require that the remainder of the project's expected costs, currently anticipated to be \$279,820, be matched by the county or other local sources of funding. It is understood that the county must meet the minimum requirements set forth in state statute and the rules and regulations of this program.

The availability of competitive sites that are ready for industrial development and meet the logistical, workforce and other needs of industry are critical to the state's job creation and investment attraction efforts. We are proud to partner with you in your efforts to develop a site that is attractive to prospective businesses and ready to meet their needs.

We will be sending you the program guidelines and application form under separate cover. In the meantime, if you have any questions regarding this commitment, please contact Sally Williams in our Business Incentives Division at 601.359.5052 or sawilliams@mississippi.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Will V. Cork", with a stylized flourish at the end.

William V. Cork
Executive Director

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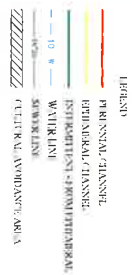
NORTHSTAR IND. PARK

CITY OF STARKVILLE | OKTIBBEHA COUNTY, MS



STARKVILLE
MISSISSIPPI'S COLLEGE TOWN

OKTIBBEHA COUNTY
MISSISSIPPI



The Board of Aldermen of the City of Starkville, Mississippi, (the "Board" of the "City") took up the matter of expressing its intent to grant an ad valorem tax incentive to that certain company confidentially disclosed to the Board and assigned the code name Project Squeeze ("Project Squeeze" or the "Company") as an inducement to the Company to pursue the construction, installation, equipping and operation of an expansion of its existing manufacturing facility in the City; and the following Resolution, having first been reduced to writing, was introduced:

RESOLUTION OF INTENT OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI, TO GRANT AN EXEMPTION FROM AD VALOREM TAXES PURSUANT TO SECTION 27-31-101 OF THE MISSISSIPPI CODE FOR AN EXPANSION OF A MANUFACTURING FACILITY TO BE CONSTRUCTED, INSTALLED, EQUIPPED AND OPERATED IN THE CITY IN CONNECTION WITH PROJECT SQUEEZE; AND RELATED MATTERS.

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds, adjudicates and determines as follows:

1. The Company owns and operates a manufacturing facility in the City (the "Existing Facility") and has proposed to construct, install, equip and operate an expansion of its Existing Facility to, among other things, add new production capabilities and capacity (the "Expansion");
2. The Company has advised the Board that the Expansion, if undertaken in the City, is expected to result over a two (2) year period in a capital investment of as much as Nine Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$9,500,000) in the City to construct and equip the Expansion (the "Anticipated Investment") and the creation over a five (5) year period of approximately twenty (20) additional full-time jobs in excess of the number of employees currently maintained by the Company at the Existing Facility;
3. If the Expansion is undertaken by the Company in the City, the Expansion would also be expected to provide construction employment and the opportunity for local contractors to bid on Expansion-related construction work;
4. If the Expansion is undertaken by the Company in the City, the City and its citizens will benefit from the availability of new employment opportunities, as well as from a significant enhancement to the local ad valorem tax base and an annual source of new ad valorem tax revenues over the life of the Expansion, together with incremental sales and/or use tax revenues during the construction of the Expansion;
5. Pursuant to Sections 27-31-101 and 27-31-105(1) of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended (the "Code"), the Mississippi Legislature has authorized the Board, if the Board elects to do so, to grant to an "expansion" of a "manufacturing or other enterprise of public utility as enumerated in [Code] Section 27-31-101," as such terms are defined in Code Sections 27-31-101 and 27-31-105(1) an exemption from all City ad valorem taxes, except school district ad valorem taxes, the "mandated levies" described in Code Section 27-39-329 and ad valorem taxes on tagged over-the-road motor vehicles, for a period of ten (10) consecutive years, subject to the timely submission by the Company of a proper application therefor pursuant to Code Section 27-31-107;
6. As an expansion of a manufacturing facility, the Expansion constitutes an "expansion" of a "manufacturing or other enterprise of public utility as enumerated in [Code] Section 27-31-101," as such terms is defined in Code Section 27-31-101 and 27-31-105(1) and is therefore eligible, upon satisfaction of the conditions set forth therein, to be granted an exemption from all City ad valorem taxes, except

school district ad valorem taxes, the “mandated levies” described in Code Section 27-39-329 and ad valorem taxes on tagged over-the-road motor vehicles, for a period of ten (10) consecutive years, subject to the timely submission by the Company of a proper application therefor pursuant to Code Section 27-31-107;

7. The Board recognizes that the Company could pursue development of the Expansion in other locations outside of the City and desires to encourage the Company to construct, equip and operate the Expansion in the City for the benefit of its citizens;

8. In furtherance of the City’s objectives, and to encourage the Company to pursue development of the Expansion in the City, the Board desires to hereby declare its intent to approve and grant to the Company and the Expansion an exemption from all City ad valorem taxes, except school district ad valorem taxes, the “mandated levies” described in Code Section 27-39-329 and ad valorem taxes on tagged over-the-road motor vehicles, for a period of ten (10) consecutive years, subject to the timely submission by the Company of a proper application therefor pursuant to Code Section 27-31-107; provided, however, that such exemption shall not apply to any real or personal property comprising or located upon or within the Existing Facility that was subject to ad valorem taxation in 2024 or in any prior years;

9. The Board acknowledges and understands that such intent of the Board, as expressed herein, will play a material role in the Company’s decision to construct, equip and operate the Expansion in the City; and

10. The Board now therefore finds and determines that it would be in the best interest of the City and its citizens for the Board to express its intent, as stated herein, to approve and grant to the Company and the Expansion an exemption from all City ad valorem taxes, except school district ad valorem taxes, the “mandated levies” described in Code Section 27-39-329 and ad valorem taxes on tagged over-the-road motor vehicles, for a period of ten (10) consecutive years, subject to the timely submission by the Company of a proper application therefor pursuant to Code Section 27-31-107, to induce the location thereof by the Company in the City; provided, however, that such exemption shall not apply to any real or personal property comprising or located upon or within the Existing Facility that is subject to ad valorem taxation in 2024 or in any prior years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD, ACTING FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Expansion Benefits. The Board acknowledges and agrees that the Expansion, if undertaken by the Company in the City, will result in significant benefits to the City and its citizens, including the creation of new construction job opportunities and new manufacturing-related job opportunities, as well as a long-term increase of ad valorem tax revenues.

SECTION 2. Intent to Grant Ad Valorem Tax Incentive. Acting for and on behalf of the City and by virtue of such authority as may now or hereafter be conferred upon it by the statutes and by any other applicable laws of the State of Mississippi, this Board does hereby declare its intention, to approve and grant to the Company and the Expansion an exemption from all City ad valorem taxes, except school district ad valorem taxes, the “mandated levies” described in Code Section 27-39-329 and ad valorem taxes on tagged over-the-road motor vehicles, for a period of ten (10) consecutive years, subject to the timely submission by the Company of a proper application therefor pursuant to Code Section 27-31-10; provided, however, that such exemption shall not apply to any real or personal property comprising or

located upon or within the Existing Facility that is subject to ad valorem taxation in 2024 or in any prior years.

SECTION 3. Captions. The captions or headings of this resolution are for convenience only and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any provision of these resolutions.

SECTION 4. Board Minutes. The City Clerk is hereby directed to spread a copy of this resolution on the minutes of this Board.

After discussion thereof, Selectman _____ moved and Selectman _____ seconded the motion to adopt the foregoing resolution, and the question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution being put to a roll call vote, the result was as follows:

Alderwoman Kim Moreland voted: _____

Alderwoman Sandra C. Sistrunk voted: _____

Alderman Jeffrey Rupp voted: _____

Alderman Mike Brooks voted: _____

Alderman Hamp Beatty voted: _____

Alderman Roy A'. Perkins voted: _____

Alderman Henry N. Vaughn, Sr. voted: _____

The motion having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the Selectmen present, the motion was declared passed by the Mayor on this the ____ day of February, 2024.

Lynn Spruill,
Mayor

ATTEST:

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Starkville Parks and Recreation Update



Presented by Brandon F. Doherty – General Manager Starkville Parks and Recreation



George Evens Flower Planting



Safety Town

Travis Outlaw Center

Registration

- 515 participants
- 64 teams
- 320 games
- 142 practices
- 1 – season tournament

Game requirements

- 1 – score keeper
- 1 – referee

Operations Calendar

Travis Outlaw Center March 2024						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Krifle and Gun Show 8am-9pm	PK 8 7am 11am Practices 3pm 5pm Y88 5pm 9pm	PK 8 7am 11am Practices 3pm 5pm Y88 5pm 9pm	PK 8 7am 11am Practices 3pm 5pm Y88 5pm 9pm	PK 8 7am 11am Practices 3pm 5pm Y88 5pm 9pm	PK 8 7am 11am Practices 3pm 5pm Y88 5pm 9pm	Krifle and Gun Show 8am-9pm
31		Notice				
EASTER CLOSED						

• Open Center for Basketball
• Practice Location: Campwood Sports Park
• Krifle and Gun Show: Travis Outlaw Center

Cornerstone Park

Registration

Operations Calendar

- 1000 Participants
 - 75 Teams
 - 375 Games
 - 225 Practices
 - 1 Season Tournaments
- Game Requirements**
- Score Keep
 - 1 or 2 Umpire

Cornerstone March 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
					Fields Closed Event Preparation	UACS Softball Tournament
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Practice Times 12pm-5pm	Rec BB/SB 5pm-4pm	Rec BB/SB 5pm-4pm	Fields Closed	Rec BB/SB 5pm-4pm	Fields Closed Event Preparation	Grand Slam Baseball Tournament
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Practice Times 12pm-5pm	Rec BB/SB 5pm-4pm	Rec BB/SB 5pm-4pm	Fields Closed	Rec BB/SB 5pm-4pm	Fields Closed Event Preparation	USSSA Softball Tournament
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Practice Times 12pm-5pm	Rec BB/SB 5pm-4pm	Rec BB/SB 5pm-4pm	Fields Closed	Rec BB/SB 5pm-4pm	Fields Closed Event Preparation	US Parktech Softball Tournament
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Practice Times 12pm-5pm	Rec BB/SB 5pm-4pm	Rec BB/SB 5pm-4pm	Fields Closed	Rec BB/SB 5pm-4pm	Good Friday Fields Closed	Fields Closed
31	1	2				
Easter Fields Closed						

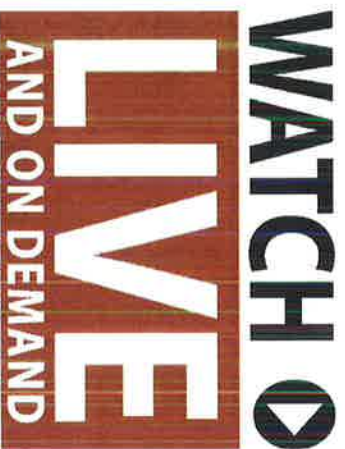
Playground will not be available during classes. Special events are planned throughout the month.

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TO BEST MEET YOUR NEEDS



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Tournament Schedule

FY21-22

Scheduled 15 Tournaments

Executed 11 Tournaments

FY22-23

Scheduled 13 Tournaments

Executed 9 Tournaments

FY23-24

Scheduled 40 Tournaments

Executed 0 Tournaments

- February 23-24
 - March 2
 - March 9
 - March 16
 - March 25
 - March 30
 - April 6
 - April 12-14
 - April 30
 - April 27
 - May 4
 - May 11
 - May 16-19
 - May 24-25
 - June 1
 - June 7-9
 - June 13-16
 - June 22-23
 - June 29-30
 - July 13-14
 - July 18-21
 - August 17
 - August 23-24
 - September 7
 - September 13-14
 - September 21
 - September 28
 - October 5-6
 - October 12
 - October 19
 - October 26
 - November 9
- Grand Slam Baseball
UACS Softball
Grand Slam Baseball
USSSA Softball
USFA Softball
Easter Weekend - Closed
USSSA Softball
Grand Slam Baseball (100 teams)
UACS Softball
USFA Softball
Grand Slam Baseball
USSSA Softball
Scotchville Youth Base Softball Championships
Grand Slam Baseball
UACS Softball
Grand Slam Baseball State Tournament
Dixie Dean All Stars
USFA State Tournament
USSSA College Showcase
Grand Slam All Stars
Babe Ruth Regional Quarters
Grand Slam Baseball
High School Softball Tournament
USFA Softball
Grand Slam Baseball
USFA Softball
UACS Softball
USFA Softball State Tournament
USFA Softball
Grand Slam Baseball
Grand Slam Baseball
Abbeville Youth to Remember Fundraiser





WORK SESSION

CITY OF STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

FEBRUARY 16, 2024

11:00 a.m.

- A. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**
- B. UPDATE FROM JOE MAX HIGGINS AND THE GTR LIINK ON PROJECT SQUEEZE AND THE NORTHSTAR GRANT MATCH**
- C. UPDATE FROM SFC ON THE PARKS AND REC PROGRAMMING FOR THE 2024 CALENDAR YEAR.**
- D. DISCUSSION OF THE AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE FEBRUARY 20, 2024, MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN FOR THE CITY OF STARKVILLE.**
- E. ADJOURN MEETING**



**THERE WILL BE A WORK SESSION OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN ON
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2024**

**AT 10:00 AM IN THE STARKVILLE CITY HALL
LOCATED AT 110 WEST MAIN STREET
IN THE SECOND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM**

The public and media are invited to attend.

The City of Starkville is accessible to persons with disabilities. Please call the ADA Coordinator at (662) 323-2525 ext. 3119, in advance for any services requested.