CALLED MEETING
MAY 9, 2017

The Ashland Board of Commissioners met in Called Session on the 2nd Floor of the Boyd County Courthouse located at 2800 Louisa Street, Catlettsburg, Kentucky, on Tuesday, May 9, 2017, at the hour of 12:00 PM. Those present were Commissioners: Amanda Clark, Marty Gute, Matt Perkins, Marshall Steen and Mayor Stephen E. Gilmore, who presided. Also present were: Stephen W. Corbitt, Interim City Manager; John F. Vincent, Corporation Counsel; Susan Maddix, City Clerk; Todd Kelley, Chief of Police; Chris Pullem, Community and Economic Development Director; and Reporters.

CALL LETTER

May 5, 2017

TO:	DELIVERED BY:	DATE:	TIME:
Amanda Clark, City Commissioner	Todd Kelley	5/5/17	1743
Marty Gute, City Commissioner	Todd Kelley	5/5/17	1800
Matt Perkins, City Commissioner	Todd Kelley	5/6/17	1637
Marshall Steen, City Commissioner	Todd Kelley	5/5/17	1747
Stephen W. Corbitt, Acting City Manager	Todd Kelley	5/7/17	1940
John F. Vincent, Corporation Counsel	Todd Kelley	5/8/17	0842
Susan W. Maddix, City Clerk	Todd Kelley	5/5/17	1400
FROM: Stephen E. Gilmore, Mayor	Todd Kelley	5/7/17	2001

Commissioners:

This is to advise that I hereby call a special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Ashland, Kentucky to be held in the 2nd Floor Court Room of the Boyd County Courthouse located at 2800 Louisa Street, Catlettsburg, Kentucky:

DATE: Tuesday, May 9, 2017

TIME: 9:00 AM

PURPOSE: Discussion and possible action on the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Development Plan for the Ashland Plaza Development Area in order to assist in the redevelopment by providing assistance in the form of pledging 100% of **NEW** incremental revenues from certain real property ad valorem taxes and occupational license taxes from the anticipated new development.

Very truly yours,

/s/Stephen E. Gilmore
Mayor

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Amanda Clark, Marty Gute, Matt Perkins and Marshall Steen, City Commissioners
Stephen W. Corbitt, Acting City Manager
John F. Vincent, Corporation Counsel
Susan W. Maddix, City Clerk

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CALL LETTER CONTINUED

Executed by delivering a true copy of the foregoing letter to each of the persons named in the caption thereof.

/s/Todd Kelley, Chief of Police
Signature and rank of officer in charge
of execution of this letter

The appropriately executed original of this letter shall be filed in the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Ashland, Kentucky.

True copies of the foregoing notice of special meeting have been served by mail upon the media sources shown on the list attached to the executed copy of this letter.

cc:

The Independent
Attn: Mark Maynard
Email: mmaynard@dailyindependent.com

The Herald Dispatch
Attn: Dave Malloy
Email: dmalloy@herald-dispatch.com

Lexington Herald Leader
Attn: Delano Massey
Email: dmassey@herald-leader.com

The Courier Journal
Attn: Mike Trautman
Email: news@courier-journal.com

WRVC, WTKZ, WCMI
The Planet Radio
Kindred Communications
Attn: News Director
Email: pr@kindredcom.net

WTCR, WIRO, WKEE, WAEZ, WNST,
Clearchannel
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WMKY Radio
Attn: News/Public Affairs
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WNTO Radio 93.1
Attn: Tina Diddle
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WLGC Radio
Attn: Jim Forrest
Email: jimforrest@wlgcradio.com

Daystar Television
Attn: Virgil Adkins
Email: virgiladkins@daystar.com

WSAZ – TV
News Department
Email: news@wsaz.com

WOWK-TV
Attn: News Director
Email: news@wowktv.com

WCHS – TV
Attn: News Director
Email: news@wchstv.com

VOTE - CALL LETTER

Motion was made by Clark, seconded by Gute, to receive, file and record the call letter. Upon roll call, voting aye were Commissioners Clark, Gute, Perkins, Steen and Mayor Gilmore. Nay - none. Motion passed.

JOINT MEETING OF ASHLAND BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS AND BOYD COUNTY FISCAL COURT

Judge Towler called the meeting to order and introduced the following:

Commissioner John Greer
Commissioner Tom Jackson
Commissioner Carl Tolliver
Boyd County Attorney Phil Hedrick
Boyd County Clerk Debbie Jones
Boyd County Sheriff Bobby Jack Woods
Economic and Community Development Director Nickie Smith

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PUBLIC HEARING PORTION OF MEETING CONTINUED

Mayor Gilmore introduced the following:

Commissioner Amanda Clark
Commissioner Marty Gute
Commissioner Matt Perkins
Commissioner Marshall Steen
City Attorney John Vincent
City Clerk Susan Maddix
Police Chief Todd Kelley
Community and Economic Development Director Chris Pullem

Ashland Community & Economic Development Director Chris Pullem reviewed the key points of the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Program which provides income to developers in order to encourage investment within the community. Casey Bolton, Commonwealth Economics, advised the program does not include school taxes. The schools actually benefit from the increased tax revenue.

Speaking in favor of the program was:

Wes Thompson, 2738 Terrace Boulevard, Ashland
Sue Dowdy, Ashland/Boyd County Convention and Visitors' Bureau
Duffy Dyer, Local Realtor
Tim Gibbs, President & CEO of the Ashland Alliance
Bruce Leslie, Attorney representing the developers of the hotel project

Boyd County Commissioner Greer reviewed with both Boards his questions regarding the project and asked for some clarification in certain areas. Mr. Pullem and Mr. Bolton responded.

The public hearing portion of the meeting closed at 9:20 AM.

Boyd County Fiscal Court gave first reading to the ordinance provided by Commonwealth Economics.

CITY OF ASHLAND
FIRST READING AND ADOPTION ONLY

ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2017

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ASHLAND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS CONCERNING AND ESTABLISHING A DEVELOPMENT AREA FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES WITHIN THE CITY OF ASHLAND, BOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY, TO BE KNOWN AS THE ASHLAND PLAZA DEVELOPMENT AREA; APPROVING A LOCAL PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ASHLAND, BOYD COUNTY, AND THE CITY OF ASHLAND DEPARMENT OF FINANCE ESTABLISHING THE PROCESS FOR ADMINISTERING THE PLAN; ESTABLISHING AN INCREMENTAL TAX SPECIAL FUND FOR APPROVED PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE COSTS AND REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE; AND DESIGNATING THE CITY OF ASHLAND DEPARMENT OF FINANCE AS THE AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERSIGHT, ADMINISTRATION, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ORDINANCE AND THE SPECIAL FUND; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO TAKE SUCH OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTIONS AS ARE NECESSARY OR REQUIRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DEVELOPMENT AREA.

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ORDINANCE NO. , 2017 CONTINUED

MOTION

Motion was made by Gute, seconded by Clark, to adopt Ordinance No. _____, 2017, at this its first reading. Upon roll call, voting aye were Commissioners Clark, Gute, Perkins, Steen and Mayor Gilmore. Nay – none. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gilmore declared the meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM.

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STEPHEN E. GILMORE
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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SUSAN MADDIX
CITY CLERK