

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A TEN-YEAR CONTRACT WITH THE WASHTENAW COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU (FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE ANN ARBOR AREA CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU)

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 2, 2015

WHEREAS, since 1975, Washtenaw County has, pursuant to MCLA 141.861 et seq authorized a County-wide excise tax on hoteliers and others providing lodging to transient guests; and

WHEREAS, for a number of years, the County has contracted with the Ann Arbor Area Convention and Visitors Bureau ("AAACVB") and the Ypsilanti Area Convention and Visitors Bureau ("YACVB") to appropriately expend the accommodation tax raised throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2015, the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners approved Resolution # 15-0044 creating a Convention and Visitors Bureau Task Force to review how accommodation tax revenues were being spent and to look for improvements and efficiencies which might be generated; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force met for a number of times and received input from a variety of sources concerning the expenditure of accommodation tax monies; and

WHEREAS, it was ultimately determined that a single convention and visitors bureau serving all of Washtenaw County would be the best model to expend accommodation tax funds with the AAACVB (which would agree to undertake a name change to the Washtenaw County Convention and Visitors Bureau "WCCVB") being in the best position to most efficiently expend accommodation tax funds throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, on October 7, 2015, the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners passed Resolution #15-0168 which approved a number of actions, which included authorizing the County Administrator to negotiate and execute a Memorandum of Understanding outlining the framework for a ten-year contract between the County and the AAACVB/WCCVB and upon execution of the MOU, authorizing the County Administrator to negotiate and bring back to the Board of Commissioners for final approval a proposed ten-year contract between the County and the AAACVB/WCCVB to expend accommodation tax funds consistent with Michigan law and County policy; and

WHEREAS, the County Administrator has negotiated and executed the MOU with the AAACVB/WCCVB, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the County Administrator has now negotiated the proposed ten-year contract with the AAACVB/WCCVB which Agreement contains all of the contract provisions required by the October 7, 2015 Resolution.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners approves a ten-year contract with the Washtenaw County Convention and Visitors Bureau (formerly known as the Ann Arbor Area Convention and Visitors Bureau) which is attached to this Resolution and authorizes the County Administrator to execute the Contract.

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	A	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	A	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	A
Brabec	X			Ping		X		Dan Smith		X	
LaBarre	X			Rabhi	X						
Martinez-Kratz		X		Jamnick	X						
Peterson	X			Conan Smith	X						

CLERK/REGISTER'S CERTIFICATE - CERTIFIED COPY

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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STATE OF MICHIGAN)

I, Lawrence Kestenbaum, Clerk/Register of said County of Washtenaw and Clerk of Circuit Court for said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of a resolution adopted by the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners at a session held at the County Administration Building in the City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, on December 2nd, 2015, as it appears of record in my office.

COUNTY OF WASHTENAW)^{SS}.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court at Ann Arbor, this 3rd day of December, 2015.

LAWRENCE KESTENBAUM, Clerk/Register

BY: _____ Deputy Clerk



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