



**CITY OF CLINTON
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
THURSDAY JANUARY 15, 2026 – 5:15 PM
MUNICIPAL COURTROOM – 305 MONROE STREET**

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER Mayor Will Purdie

INVOCATION Alderman Chapman

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Alderwoman Godfrey

ROLL CALL City Clerk, Jimmy Baldree

Alderwoman Jones was Absent, All others Present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION made by Alderwoman Godfrey to enter a closed session, **SECONDED** by Alderman Lott, the Board closed the Meeting at 5:16 PM. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION made by Alderman Chapman, and **SECONDED** by Alderwoman Oliver, the Board voted to enter an Executive Session to discuss the potential development or expansion of a business in the Clinton Industrial Park at 5:17 PM. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION made by Alderman Lott, and **SECONDED** by Alderman Wilbanks, the Board exited the Executive Session at 5:32 PM. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Upon exiting, Mayor Purdie notified those in attendance that the Board had Taken No Actions while in the Executive Session.

DISCUSSION/ACTION – CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FOR A CONDITIONAL USE AND A DIMENSIONAL VARIANCE FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1001 INDUSTRIAL PARK BLVD

Upon Presentation by Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** was made by Alderwoman Oliver and **SECONDED** by Alderwoman McSparrin the Board approved the Conditional Use and Dimensional Variance as requested. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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**DISCUSSION/ACTION – CONSIDERATION OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAX (FILOT)
AGREEMENT FOR THE PROPERTY AND PROJECT LOCATED AT 1001
INDUSTRIAL PARK BLVD**

Upon Presentation by Josiah Burns, City Attorney, **MOTION** was made by Alderwoman Godfrey and **SECONDED** by Alderman Lott the Board Approved Entering into, and Authorized the Mayor to Execute, a FILOT Agreement related to the Property and Project located at 1001 Industrial Park Blvd. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION made by Alderman Wilbanks, and **SECONDED** by Alderman Chapman, at 5:40 PM to adjourn until the next regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Clinton, Mississippi to be held January 20, 2026, at 6:00 pm. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPROVED: WCP
William C. Purdie, Mayor

1/21/2026
Date

ATTEST: J. Bae
Jimmy Baldree, City Clerk

1-20-2026
Date

SEAL



The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Clinton, Mississippi (the "Mayor" and "Board", respectively, of the "City"), took up the matters of considering the granting of a fee-in-lieu of ad valorem taxes to, and the approval and authorization of the execution of a fee-in-lieu of ad valorem tax agreement with, that certain company, the identity of which has been confidentially disclosed to the Mayor and Board (the "Company") in connection with a data center project being undertaken thereby and located within the City, pursuant to the authority vested therein by Section 27-31-104 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended (the "Code"), and other applicable law, which project has been assigned multiple code names including Project Starlight and/or Project GoFast; and the following Resolution, having first been reduced to writing, was introduced:

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI, GRANTING A FEE-IN-LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES TO, AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FEE-IN-LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAX AGREEMENT WITH, THAT CERTAIN COMPANY, THE IDENTITY OF WHICH HAS BEEN CONFIDENTIALLY DISCLOSED TO THE MAYOR AND BOARD, IN CONNECTION WITH A DATA CENTER PROJECT BEING UNDERTAKEN THEREBY AND LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED THEREIN BY SECTION 27-31-104 AND/OR -105(2) OF THE MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, AS AMENDED, AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAW, WHICH PROJECT HAS BEEN ASSIGNED MULTIPLE CODE NAMES INCLUDING PROJECT STARLIGHT AND/OR PROJECT GOFAST; AND RELATED MATTERS.

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

1. The Company has evaluated various locations in multiple states within the United States for the purposes of remodeling, retrofitting, or otherwise constructing structures to equip and operate one or more data center facilities, which are cumulatively expected to result in the creation of at least fifty (50) new, full-time jobs and is expected to require a capital investment of at least Seven Hundred Fifty Million Dollars (\$750,000,000) in the City (altogether, the "Project");

2. The Company has selected an existing facility located at 1001 Industrial Park Drive within the Clinton Industrial Park

for the development of the Project;

3. As a result of the Company's location of the Project in the City, the City and its citizens will benefit from a significant enhancement to the local ad valorem tax base and an annual source of new ad valorem tax and fee-in-lieu of ad valorem tax revenues, as well as the creation of a new jobs, in the City over the life of the Project;

4. To induce the Company to construct, develop, and operate the Project in the City, the Board has negotiated with the Company for a fee-in-lieu of ad valorem tax agreement with respect to the Project and for the payment of a fee-in-lieu of ad valorem taxes with respect thereto, each in accordance with Code Sections 27-31-104 and/or -105(2), and other applicable law;

5. The Mayor and the Board have been presented with an Agreement to Pay a Fee in Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxes, by and among the City, Hinds County, Mississippi (the "County"), the County Tax Assessor, the County Tax Collector and the Company, a copy of which is attached as **Exhibit "A"** attached hereto (the "FILOT Agreement");

6. Having reviewed, discussed and considered the proposed FILOT Agreement, the Mayor and the Board now find and determine that Recitals set forth therein are hereby adopted as findings of the Mayor and the Board; and

7. The Mayor and the Board further find and determine that it will be in the best interest of the City and its residents that the Mayor and the Board approve and authorize the execution of the FILOT Agreement, and that the terms and conditions of the FILOT Agreement will best promote and protect the public interest, convenience and necessity.

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

SECTION 1. Authorization of the FILOT Agreement and Grant of a Fee-in-Lieu. The FILOT Agreement is hereby approved and, subject to the execution by the Mississippi Development Authority ("MDA") of the FILOT Agreement through its execution of the Certificate of Final Approval attached as Exhibit "A" thereto, the fee-in-lieu of ad valorem taxes, as described in the FILOT Agreement, is hereby granted; and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute and deliver the FILOT Agreement for and on behalf the City in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"**, with such completions, changes, insertions and modifications as shall be approved by the Board's attorney and the Mayor, the approval thereof by the Board's attorney and the execution thereof by the Mayor to be conclusive evidence of such approval; and all provisions of the FILOT Agreement, when executed as authorized herein, shall be deemed to be a part of this resolution as fully and to the extent as if separately set out verbatim herein; and in the event of any conflict between the provisions of this resolution and the provisions of the FILOT Agreement, and the provisions of the FILOT Agreement shall govern.

SECTION 2. Authority of Agents. The Mayor, the Mayor Pro-Tempore, the City Clerk and the attorneys and/or other agents or employees of the City are hereby authorized to do all things and to execute such instruments, (i) which are necessary for the performance by the City of its set forth in the FILOT Agreement and/or (ii) which the Mayor, with the advice of the attorney for the Board, deems necessary or desirable to effect the purposes hereof or to enable the City to perform its obligations hereunder or otherwise pursuant to the FILOT Agreement.

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.

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After discussion, Alderperson Godfrey moved and Alderperson LOTT seconded the motion to adopt the foregoing resolution and, the question being put to a roll call vote, the result was as follows:

Aldersperson Robert Chapman	voted: <u>A4E</u>
Aldersperson Karen Godfrey	voted: <u>A4E</u>
Aldersperson TJ McSparrin	voted: <u>A4E</u>
Aldersperson Amanda M. Jones	voted: <u>- ABSENT</u>
Aldersperson Chip Wilbanks	voted: <u>A4E</u>
Aldersperson Beverly Oliver	voted: <u>A4E</u>
Aldersperson James Lott	voted: <u>A4E</u>

The motion having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the Alderspersons present, the motion was declared passed by the Mayor on this the 15th day of January, 2026.

W. Purdie
Will Purdie,
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jimmy Baldree
Jimmy Baldree,
City Clerk
(SEAL)





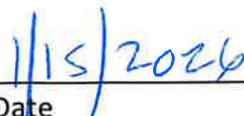
**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
OF THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI**

I the undersigned, William C. Purdie, Mayor of the City of Clinton, Mississippi, do hereby call a **SPECIAL MEETING** of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen pursuant to the provisions of Section 21-3-21 of the Mississippi Code of 1972. Said Meeting shall be held at 5:15 p.m., Thursday, January 15, 2026, in the Municipal Court Room located at 305 Monroe Street, for the purpose of discussing the following item:

1. Discussion/Action – Consider a Request for a Conditional Use and a Dimensional Variance for the property located at 1001 Industrial Park Blvd.
2. Consideration of a Fee in Lieu Agreement for the property and project located at 1001 Industrial Park Blvd.



William C. Purdie, Mayor



Date