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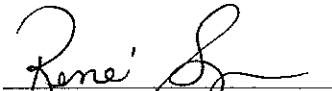
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Buncombe County will hold a public hearing at a regular meeting of the Board beginning at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 16, 2014, in the Commissioners' Chambers located at 200 College Street, Room 326, in downtown Asheville, North Carolina, on a proposal to provide certain economic development incentives to Wicked Weed Brewing, LLC. The County proposes to appropriate and spend from the County's general fund, pursuant to NCBS 158-7.1, an amount to make a cash grant totaling \$74,925 in February 2019, and to approve a Lease and a Purchase and Sale Agreement for property located at 145 Jacob Holm Way, Candler, North Carolina and shown on the records of the Buncombe County Tax Office as PLY 9617-73-4279 in accordance with 158-7.1(b)(2) and (d). The building located on the property is currently an unfinished spec building with no flooring and no utilities. The purpose of the cash grant and the lease and purchase contract is to prompt the expansion by Wicked Weed of its current operations in Buncombe County through its investment of at least \$6,500,000 and the creation of 75 new full time jobs that pay an average annual wage of \$32,000, not including benefits. The Lease is planned for a term to extend not later than December 31, 2017 for sums totaling \$160,001. Such rental is competitive with current fair market value for rental of similar industrial buildings in similar condition given Wicked Weed's plans to invest approximately \$800,000 in real property improvements on the site. The Purchase and Sale Agreement calls for the County to convey all its right, title and interests in and to real property for the sum of \$1,300,000 at any time prior to December 31, 2017. The Buncombe County Tax Office values this property at \$1,519,400. In its current condition, such sales price is competitive with the current fair market price range of \$32-\$58 per square foot. This investment in Wicked Weed's operations furthers the economic interests of the County in numerous ways, including: (a) by creating a substantial number of full time jobs at the facility with an average wage greater than the median wage in the County; (b) by enhancing the County's property tax base and increasing the County's property tax revenues; and (c) by locating in the County an advanced brewing facility. In addition to holding the public hearing, the Board intends to take action during the hearing in connection with these matters and intends to approve the making of a cash grant as well as a Lease and a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Wicked Weed.

This the 5th day of September, 2014.

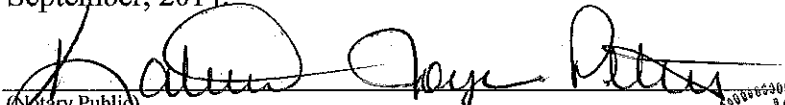
Kathy Hughes
Clerk to the Board
September 5, 2014 (2483)

Before the undersigned, a Notary Public of said County and State, duly commissioned, qualified and authorized by law to administer oaths, personally appeared **Rene Simpson**, who, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: that she is the **Finance Manager of The Asheville Citizen-Times**, engaged in publication of a newspaper known as **The Asheville Citizen-Times**, published, issued, and entered as first class mail in the City of Asheville, in said County and State; that she is authorized to make this affidavit and sworn statement; that the notice or other legal advertisement, a true copy of which is attached hereto, was published in **The Asheville Citizen-Times** on the following date: September 5th 2014. And that the said newspaper in which said notice, paper, document or legal advertisement was published was, at the time of each and every publication, a newspaper meeting all of the requirements and qualifications of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina and was a qualified newspaper within the meaning of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

Signed this 5th day of September, 2014


(Signature of person making affidavit)

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 5th day of September, 2014.


(Notary Public)
My Commission expires the 5th day of October, 2018

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