

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE WEAKLEY COUNTY
STRATEGIC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, as a result of Weakley County's participation in the State of Tennessee Three-Star Pilot Program, Weakley County Commission adopted the Strategic Economic Development Plan in November 2004 with the passage of Resolution 2005-09 and amended the Plan with the passage of Resolution 2006-53 in May 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Three Star Program requires that the Strategic Plan be reviewed annually number of the objectives of the plan be selected to receive priority attention, and specific action plans be determined as to what will be achieved in the short term to work toward achievement of the priority objectives; and

WHEREAS, While the basic priority objectives have changed little from the past, the action plans listed have changed somewhat to reflect the deletion of the actions that have been accomplished, the addition of needed new action plans, and the modification of other proposed plans; and

WHEREAS, these objectives and the specific action plans developed by the Leadership Committee are described below:

Recommended Priority Objectives

1. Continue efforts to attract new business and industry to the County.
Action Plans:
 - The WCEDB will develop a plan of work for marketing Weakley County.
Lead responsibility: WCEDB
 - The efforts of the WCEDB, the Chamber, the various industrial boards, and the appropriate county and city officials having economic development responsibilities will be coordinated.
Lead responsibility: WCEDB.
 - Use the revolving loan fund to be used to fund capital items needed to attract and retain business and industry.
Lead responsibility: WCEDB
 - Consider as requested other proposals related to attracting new business and industry to Weakley County.
Lead responsibility: WCEDB
 - Market the existing spec building and make plans for construction of another spec building upon the occupancy of the existing building.
Lead responsibility: WCEDB
 - Develop and implement a plan to attract retirees to Weakley County.
Lead responsibility: Chamber
 - Pursue development of the bio fuels industry in Weakley County.
Lead responsibility: WCEDB
 - Aggressively recruit more retail businesses to the County.
Lead responsibility: Cities with assistance as requested from the Chamber
 - Pursue qualification by the County at the highest level for the Governor's Three Star Program.
Lead responsibility: Chamber and the WCEDB

2. Enhance and expand existing efforts to strengthen and retain existing business and industry of the County.
Action Plan:

- Strengthen the adult literacy, GED, and adult high school programs of the county
Lead responsibility: WC Board of Education
- Develop a formal structure to partner with UTM in areas that will support the economic development of the county.
Lead responsibility: WCEDB, Chancellor of UTM

The Leadership Committee recommends these priorities with the desire that the economic well being of the citizens of Weakley County and all business and community organizations, both government and non-government, will have the opportunity to prosper within the environment that we believe will exist if these priorities are achieved.

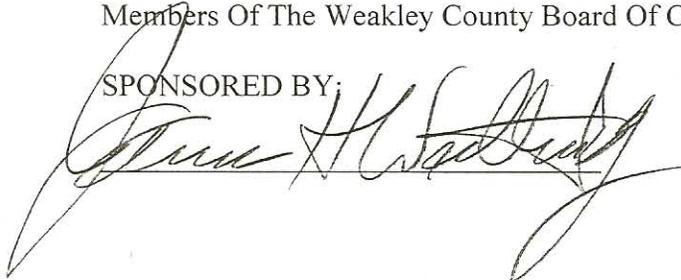
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Weakley County Legislative Body meeting in Regular Session at Dresden, Tennessee, on this 19th day of May, 2008 that:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all resolutions of the Board of County Commissioners of Weakley County, Tennessee, which are in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed.

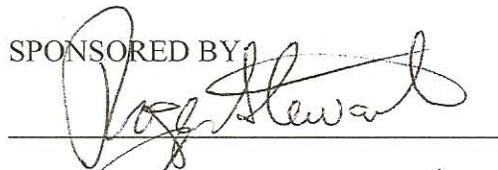
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect upon passage by a majority of the members of the Board of County Commissioners of Weakley County, Tennessee.

Pursuant To The Rules Of The Commission, This Resolution Is Sponsored By The Following Members Of The Weakley County Board Of County Commissioners:

SPONSORED BY:



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ACKNOWLEDGED AND APPROVED:


 Chairman, Health, Edu. & Econ Development Committee

Motion made by Commissioner Stewart that the foregoing resolution be adopted:

Motion seconded by Commissioner Sinclair.

Upon being put to a roll call vote, Motion carried by a vote of 15 Yeas, 0 Nays,
0 Passed and 2 Absent. Vacant 1.

ATTESTED:

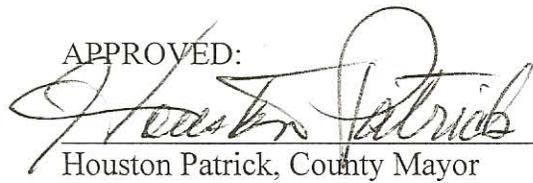

 Pat Scarborough, County Clerk

APPROVED:


 Richard Phebus, Chairman
 Mac Buckley, Chairman Pro Tempore

This the 19th Day of May 2008.

APPROVED:


 Houston Patrick, County Mayor

VETOED:

 Houston Patrick, County Mayor

DATE: 05/20/08

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