

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: November 7, 2016

SUBJECT: Project Roan Authorizing Resolution for the NC Department of Commerce Rural Economic Development Infrastructure Grant

PRESENTER: Marcus Jones, County Engineer

ATTACHMENTS: Yes
1. Resolution

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

The Henderson County Partnership for Economic Development has been working to bring Project Roan, a new manufacturing industry from Germany, to Henderson County. The textile manufacturer, Norafin, has identified a site in Mills River that has been appropriately rezoned for industrial use and plans to begin construction of Phase 1 of its production plant in 2017. At the October 19, 2016 Board of Commissioners meeting, a public hearing was held for consideration of economic incentives for Norafin to site its first North American plant in the County. The request was approved.

The NC Department of Commerce Rural Economic Development Infrastructure Grant would enable the extension of wastewater to Norafin's site. The grant requires that the local government of the chosen project location executes and administer grant funds for infrastructure projects to ensure success of the new industry. This resolution authorizes county engineer, Marcus Jones, PE, to execute the grant, if received, as the authorized representative of the Henderson County Board of Commissioners

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to adopt the attached Resolution as presented.

SUGGESTED MOTION:

I move that the Board adopt the attached resolution designating Marcus Jones, PE, County Engineer, to act on behalf of the Henderson County Board of Commissioners as the executor of the Project Roan NC Department of Commerce Rural Economic Development Infrastructure Grant with the Henderson County Partnership for Economic Development.

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AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION BY THE HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority (RIA) has authorized the awarding of grants from appropriated funds to aid eligible units of government in financing the cost of infrastructure activities needed to create jobs; and

WHEREAS, the Henderson County Board of Commissioners needs assistance in financing an infrastructure project that may qualify for Rural Grants/Programs funding; and

WHEREAS, the Henderson County Board of Commissioners intends to request grant assistance for Project Roan from the Economic Infrastructure Grants Program;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HENDERSON COUNTY:

That Henderson County Board of Commissioners will arrange financing for all remaining costs of the project, if approved for a grant.

That Marcus Jones, PE, County Engineer, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of Henderson County with the Rural Grants/Programs Section for a grant to assist in the above-named infrastructure project.

That Marcus Jones, PE, County Engineer, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of Henderson County with the Rural Grants/Programs Section for a grant to assist in the above named infrastructure project.

That Marcus Jones, PE, County Engineer, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as Rural Grants/Programs Section may request in connection with an application or with the project proposed; to make assurances as contained in the application; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That Henderson County Board of Commissioners has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the project and to the grants pertaining thereto.

Adopted this date, November 7, 2016 at Hendersonville, North Carolina.

THOMAS THOMPSON, CHAIRMAN
HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

TERESA L. WILSON, CLERK TO THE BOARD