

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-16

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF JASPER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MID-STATES CORRIDOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Indiana Code Sec. 36-7.6, *et seq.* provides for the establishment of regional development authorities by a county and one or more adjacent counties or qualified cities in adjacent counties;

WHEREAS, local and regional economic development officials have requested that the City of Jasper, jointly and in conjunction with Dubois County, Spencer County, and the City of Huntingburg, participate in the establishment of the Mid-States Corridor Regional Development Authority (the "Authority");

WHEREAS, Indiana Code Sec. 36-7.6-2-3(b) requires the fiscal body of a City to adopt an ordinance authorizing the City to participate in the establishment of the Authority;

WHEREAS, this Council has determined that the purposes of the Authority will benefit and are in the best interests of the City of Jasper, namely, the Authority's purpose of promoting the acquisition, construction, equipping, owning, leasing, and financing of projects and facilities for lease to or for the benefit of eligible political subdivisions, and the funding and development of (a) airport authority projects, (b) commuter transportation district and other rail projects; (c) regional transportation authority projects and services; (d) economic development projects; (e) intermodal transportation projects; (f) regional trail or greenway projects; (g) regional transportation infrastructure projects under Indiana Code Sec. 36-9-43; and (h) any projects that enhance the region with the goal of attracting people or business that are of regional importance; and

WHEREAS, this Council, as the fiscal body of the City of Jasper, has determined that it is in the best interest of the City of Jasper to establish and become a member of the Authority as set forth herein, and that such establishment and membership in the Authority will promote economic development and further the well-being of the citizens of the City of Jasper.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA, as follows:

SECTION 1. The City of Jasper is hereby authorized to participate in the establishment of the Mid-States Corridor Regional Development Authority pursuant to Indiana Code Sec. 36-7.6, *et seq.*

SECTION 2. The Mayor of the City of Jasper, pursuant to Indiana Code Sec. 36-7.6-2-7, is hereby authorized to enter into a Written Agreement, in substantially the form attached as Exhibit A (with such changes or modifications as may be deemed advisable by such executives), with the executives of Dubois County, Spencer County, the City of Huntingburg, and any other government entity which may be qualified to join the Authority in accordance with Indiana Code Sec. 36-7.6-2-3 to establish the Authority, and appoint the members of the development board of the Authority.

SECTION 3. **Prior Ordinances.** All ordinances and/or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

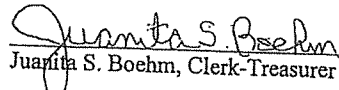
SECTION 4. **Separability.** If any section, sub-section, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance shall for any reason be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereunder.

SECTION 5. **Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council, its approval by the Mayor, and completion of any other legal requirements, all in the manner as provided by law.

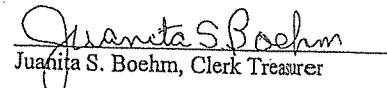
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Jasper, Indiana, this 23rd day of AUGUST, 2017.


Terry Seitz, Presiding Officer

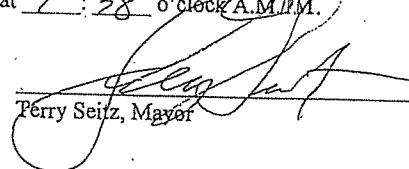
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Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer

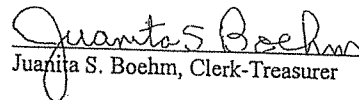
Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Jasper on the 23rd day of AUGUST, 2017, at the hour of 8:05 o'clock A.M./P.M.


Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk Treasurer

This Ordinance approved and signed by me as the Mayor of the City of Jasper, Indiana, this 24th day of AUGUST, 2017, at 7:38 o'clock A.M./P.M.


Terry Seitz, Mayor

ATTEST:


Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer