

County Board
July 21, 2011

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RESOLUTION NO. 7763

RESOLUTION APPOINTING CAROL AMMONS TO THE
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION and JAMES
QUISENBERRY as ALTERNATE/PROXY

WHEREAS, C. Pius Weibel has submitted to the County Board his appointment of Carol Ammons as the Champaign County Board Member to the Champaign County Economic Development; and

WHEREAS, C. Pius Weibel has further submitted to the County Board his appointment of James Quisenberry to serve as Alternate/Proxy for Carol Ammons on the Economic Development Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Such appointments require the advice and consent of the County Board under 35 ILCS 200/6-5;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Champaign County Board that the County Board does hereby advise and consent to the appointment of Carol Ammons as the Champaign County Board Member to the Champaign County Economic Development Corporation for a term commencing July 19, 2011 and ending November 30, 2012; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Champaign County Board that the county Board does hereby advise and consent to the appointment of James Quisenberry to serve as the Alternate/Proxy for Carol Ammons on the Champaign County Economic Development Corporation.

PRESENTED, ADOPTED, APPROVED, AND RECORDED this 21st day of July, A.D. 2011.

C. Pius Weibel, Chair
Champaign County Board

ATTEST: _____
Gordy Hulten, County Clerk
and ex-officio Clerk of the
Champaign County Board

**A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS
COLLECTED UNDER THE CHAMPAIGN COUNTY TAX ON THE
GROSS RENTAL RECEIPTS FOR HOTEL ROOMS IN THE COUNTY
AS AUTHORIZED BY 55 ILCS 5/5-1030**

WHEREAS, Section 5-1030 of the Counties Code [55ILCS 5/5-1030 (1998), formerly Ill. Rev. Stat. 1991, ch. 34, sec. 5-1030] authorizes the County to impose by ordinance a tax not to exceed 5% of the gross rental receipts from renting, leasing or letting rooms upon all persons engaged in that business within the County who are not subject to a similar tax under Section 8-3-14 of the Illinois Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, the County has, by ordinance, imposed such a tax; and

WHEREAS, such a tax was originally imposed by the County for the purpose of paying bonds which were used to finance certain improvements to Willard Airport, those obligations now having been paid in full; and

WHEREAS, the statute authorizing imposition of this tax requires that the proceeds thereof be used to promote tourism; conventions; expositions; theatrical, sports and cultural activities within the County or otherwise to attract nonresident overnight visitors to the County; and

WHEREAS, the Champaign County Board has determined that it is desirable to formulate guidelines for the expenditure of funds heretofore and hereafter collected from such tax, if any;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.

This Resolution is intended to provide general guidelines which may be considered by the Champaign County Board in appropriating funds raised through the tax on gross rental receipts authorized by 55 ILCS 5/5-1030. These guidelines are adopted for the benefit of the Board, the public and entities requesting financial support from such funds. The Board shall not be required to adhere to any specific procedure for the appropriation of such funds. No action by the Board in appropriating such funds shall be considered invalid for failure to adhere to the guidelines set forth herein, so long as such actions conform to all other legal requirements for the appropriation of such funds.

SECTION 2.

All motions, resolutions, applications or requests for the appropriation of such funds for a particular purpose shall be brought before the Champaign County Policy, Procedures and Appointments Committee which shall forward recommendations regarding such motions, resolutions, applications or requests to the Champaign County Board.

SECTION 3.

Except as determined otherwise for good cause by the Policy, Procedures and Appointments Committee and the Champaign County Board, preference in appropriating such funds shall be given to the following and in the following order of importance:

- a) First, to reduce duplication of administrative costs and in the interest of supporting organizations with a demonstrable history of promoting the types of activities for which these funds must be used, these funds should be used to finance the County's membership in or contributions to existing organizations whose activities directly or indirectly promote tourism; conventions; expositions; theatrical, sports or cultural activities generally within the County or otherwise attract nonresident overnight visitors to the County.
- b) Second, to encourage nonresident attendance at specific events within Champaign County, those funds should be used to support advertising for such events in markets outside Champaign County.
- c) Third, to reduce the property tax burden on the residents of Champaign County, these funds should be used to pay for programs or contributions that promote tourism; conventions; expositions; theatrical, sports or cultural activities within the County or that otherwise attract nonresident overnight visitors, which are currently paid by the County from funds generated from property taxes.
- d) Fourth, to support existing events that historically promote tourism; conventions; expositions; theatrical, sports or cultural activities within the County or otherwise attract nonresident overnight visitors to the County,

these funds should be used for one-time grants to support the continuation or expansion of such events.

- e) Fifth, these funds should be used to promote other programs, events and activities which the Committee and Board find will promote tourism; conventions; expositions; theatrical, sports or cultural activities within the County or otherwise attract nonresident overnight visitors to the County
- f) Sixth, the Policy Statement for County Hotel/Motel Tax Goals and Strategies is incorporated as a guideline for disbursement of funds.

SECTION 4.

In May of each year, the Policy, Procedures and Appointments Committee shall make a recommendation to the Champaign County Board as to whether this tax should remain in effect or be repealed.

SECTION 5.

The various Sections of this Resolution are intended to be separate and independent and the invalidation or repeal of any Section hereof shall not effect the validity of the remaining Sections.

PRESENTED, ADOPTED, APPROVED AND RECORDED this 24th day of August, 1999.

W. A. Moser

W. Stephen Moser, Chair
Champaign County Board

ATTEST:

Mark Shelden

Mark Shelden Champaign County Clerk and
Ex-officio Clerk of the Champaign County Board

POLICY STATEMENT FOR COUNTY HOTEL/MOTEL TAX

- I. Goal:** The county Hotel/Motel Tax will be used to relieve relieve pressure on the General Corporate Fund for expenditures supporting the types of activities for which the Hotel/Motel Tax funds can be used.
- A. Sheriff overtime for tourist events, e.g. National Hot Air Balloon Championships; County Fair; U-I sporting and entertainment events; Community/Village Fairs
 - B. Pay for the County's membership in the Economic Partnership
 - C. Develop and maintain a Web-site for Champaign County
- II Goal:** The County Hotel/Motel Tax will be used to provide support through annual grant allotment to events, programs and activities which promote tourism, conventions, expositions, theatrical, sporting or cultural activities within the County or otherwise attract nonresident overnight visitors to the County.
- A. Management:
 - 1. The County Hotel/Motel Tax Grant Review Committee will be comprised of the Policy Committee Chair, serving as Chairman, the County Board Chair, the Budget Committee Chair, two Minority Party Delegates and one additional Majority Party Delegate.
 - 2. Fund applications will be solicited and reviewed annually (June) by the Grant Review Committee.
 - 3. Recommendations for fund awards will be brought to the Policy, Procedures & Appointments Committee for final recommendation to the County Board at the August Board Meeting.
 - 4. Awarded grantees shall provide a final report form regarding use of the funds by May following the award.
 - B. Priorities
 - 1. Priority for funds shall be given to entities located in unincorporated areas of the County.
 - 2. Priority for funds shall be given to events and programs where cost sharing with other municipalities is incorporated.
 - 3. Priority for funds shall be given to public entities first, then to private entities.

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4. Priority for funding shall be based on whether or not the County is the only eligible source of public funds available to the event; and if not, are other sources of public funds, i.e. municipalities, also contributing to the event.
 5. Consecutive funding to the same event shall be provided at a maximum for three years. OR Priority shall be given to events that have not previously been funded by the County.
- C. Financial Guidelines:
1. The Grant Review Committee will request a specific funding amount for grants each year, subject to Board approval at the August Meeting.
 2. Grants will be limited to a maximum of \$ _____ per request, unless the Grant Review Committee strongly recommends a larger grant.

FOR COUNTY BOARD APPROVAL

7/21/11

PURCHASES NOT FOLLOWING THE PURCHASING POLICY, AND EMERGENCY PURCHASES

DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATION #	VR#/PO#	VR/PO DATE	DESCRIPTION	VENDOR	AMOUNT
EMERGENCY PURCHASE						
Nursing Home	081-425-544.29	VR#044-1747	07/13/11	Water damage repair	Commercial Builders	\$ 30,489.00
CREDIT CARD BILL PAID WITHOUT RECEIPTS						
** Sheriff	080-040-533.89	VR#040-140	05/27/11	Teleflora purchase 5/12	Visa Cardmember Services	\$ 59.38
** Mental Health Board	090-053-533.95	VR#053-251	07/07/11	Schnuck's purchase 6/10	Visa Cardmember Services	\$ 51.40
** Mental Health Board	090-053-533.84	VR#053-251	07/07/11	Original Pancake House 4/25	Visa Cardmember Services	\$ 95.39
** Animal Control	091-047-522.44	VR#091-198	06/27/11	Farm & Fleet cart 5/28	Visa Cardmember Services	\$ 24.99
FY2010 EXPENDITURES PAID IN FY2011						
** Public Properties	080-071-534.58	VR#071-650	06/16/11	Weaver Park maint. May-Nov	Urbana Park District	\$ 1,353.94
** County Highway	083-060-533.07	VR#083-479	07/01/11	Title search Sept 2010	Chicago Title	\$ 160.00
** Circuit Court	080-031-533.03	VR#031-212	06/23/11	Attorney service 10/29-11/30	Diana Lenik	\$ 27.50
** Circuit Court	080-031-533.42	VR#031-220	06/30/11	Courtroom audio srvc Jul-Nov	Robert Phillippe Enterprises	\$ 55.00
** Circuit Court	080-031-533.03	VR#031-235	07/07/11	Attorney service 9/16-11/30	Bruce Ratcliffe	\$ 30.00
** Probation Srvcs Fund	618-052-533.07	VR#618-189	07/05/11	Therapy sessions Sep-Oct	Kleppin & Associates	\$ 150.00

*****According to Illinois Attorney General and Champaign County State's Attorney,
the Purchasing Policy does not apply to the office of elected officials.*****

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