## RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS DESIGNATING REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER 1

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING A CERTAIN AREA AS A REINVESTMENT ZONE FOR COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL TAX ABATEMENT IN DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS the Commissioner Court of Dickens County, Texas desires to promote the development or redevelopment of a certain contiguous geographic area within its jurisdiction by the creation of a reinvestment zone as authorized by the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, as amended (Texas Property Tax Code, Chapter 312), and the Tax Abatement Guidelines and Criteria of Dickens County (the "Guidelines"); and

WHEREAS on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023, a hearing before the Commissioners Court of Dickens County, Texas was held, such date being at least seven (7) days after the date of publication of the notice of such public hearing in the local newspaper of general circulation in Dickens County and notice in accordance with law to the respective presiding officers of each taxing entity that includes within its boundaries real property that is to be included in the proposed reinvestment zone; and

WHEREAS the Commissioners Court of Dickens County, Texas at such public hearing invited any interested person to appear and speak for or against the creation of the reinvestment zone and whether all or part of the territory described should be included in the proposed reinvestment zone; and

WHEREAS the proponents of the reinvestment zone offered evidence, both oral and documentary, in favor of all of the foregoing matters relating to the creation of the reinvestment zone and opponents, if any, of the reinvestment zone appeared to contest the creation of the reinvestment zone:

## BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS:

- 1. That the facts and recitations contained in the preamble of this Resolution are hereby found and declared to be true and correct.
- 2. That the Commissioners Court of Dickens County, Texas, after conducting such hearing and having heard such evidence and testimony, has made the following findings and determinations based on the evidence and testimony presented to it:

- (a) That the public hearing on adoption of the reinvestment zone has been properly called, held, and conducted and that notice of such hearing has been published as required by law and mailed to the respective presiding officers of the governing bodies of all taxing units overlapping the territory inside the proposed reinvestment zone; and
- (b) That the boundaries of the proposed reinvestment zone shall be the area located within Dickens County, Texas, that is north and west of U.S. Highway 82/Texas Highway 114 and Texas Highway 70, excluding territory that is incorporated and within the city limits of the City of Dickens, Texas; and
- (c) That creation of the reinvestment zone will result in benefits to Dickens County, Texas and to land included in the reinvestment zone and that the improvements sought are feasible and practical; and
- (d) The reinvestment zone meets the criteria set forth in Texas Property Tax Code, Chapter 312 for the creation of a reinvestment zone as set forth in the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, as amended, and the Guidelines, in that it is reasonably likely as a result of the designation to the retention or expansion of primary employment or to attract investment in the zone that would be a benefit to the property and that would contribute to the economic development of Dickens County, Texas, and that the entire tract of land is located entirely within an unincorporated area of Dickens County, Texas.
- 3. That pursuant to the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, as amended, and the Guidelines, the Dickens County Commissioners Court hereby creates Dickens County Reinvestment Zone Number 1; a reinvestment zone for commercial-industrial tax abatement encompassing the area as described in Section 2(b) of this Resolution, and such reinvestment zone is hereby designated and shall hereafter be referred to as Dickens County Reinvestment Zone Number 1.
- 4. That Dickens County Reinvestment Zone Number 1 shall take effect on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023, and shall remain designated as a commercial-industrial reinvestment zone for a period of five (5) years from such date of designation, and may be renewed for an additional five (5) year period thereafter.
- 5. That if any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause, or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.
- 6. That it is hereby found, determined, and declared that sufficient notice of the date, hour, place, and subject of the meeting of the Dickens County Commissioners Court at which this Resolution was adopted was posted at a place convenient and readily

accessible at all times as required by the Texas Open Government Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, as amended, and that a public hearing was held prior to the designation of such reinvestment zone and that proper notice of the hearing was published in the official newspaper of general circulation within the County, and furthermore, such notice was in fact delivered to the presiding officer of any affected taxing entity as prescribed by the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act.

SO DECLARED, APPROVED, AND ADOP\TED on this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023.

Hon. Kevin Brendle Dickens County Judge

Dennis Wyatt

Commissioner, Precinct 1

Mike Smith

Commissioner, Precinct 2

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Commissioner, Precinct 3

Greg Arnold

Commissioner, Precinct 4

ATTEST:

Danay Carnes

Dickens County Clerk