

NOTICE

SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, August 2, 2004

3:00 O'clock PM

Notice of a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Asheboro, North Carolina, is hereby given. This meeting will be held on Monday, the 2nd day of August, 2004, at 3:00 o'clock PM in the First Floor Training Room of the Randolph County Office Building, which is located at 725 McDowell Road in Asheboro, North Carolina. Said training room is located beside the Commissioners' Meeting Room.

This meeting of the Asheboro City Council will be conducted as a joint special meeting with the Randolph County Board of Commissioners. Said meeting is being called so that the City Council can conduct the following business:

- (a) A joint public hearing will be held on the proposed appropriation and expenditure by the City Council of city funds for an economic development project involving Technimark Incorporated; and
- (b) After the above-referenced public hearing, the City Council will formally consider whether or not to enter into an economic development incentives contract with Technimark, Incorporated and the County of Randolph.

This call is issued pursuant to the ordinances of the City of Asheboro relative to the time and place of holding meetings, both regular and special, of the Asheboro City Council.

By order of the Mayor on this the 21st day of July, 2004.

S/ Carol J. Cole
Carol J. Cole, City Clerk
City of Asheboro, North Carolina

**SPECIAL JOINT MEETING
 ASHEBORO CITY COUNCIL & RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 2004, 3:00 PM
 TRAINING ROOM OF RANDOLPH COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
 725 McDOWELL ROAD, ASHEBORO, NORTH CAROLINA**

This being the time and place for a Special Meeting of the Mayor and City Council, a meeting was held with the following officials and members present:

- David Jarrell) Mayor Presiding
- Talmadge Baker)
- Linda Carter)
- Keith Crisco)
- Nancy Hunter) – Council Members Present
- John McGlohon)
- Archie Priest)
- David Smith)

John N. Ogburn, City Manager
Carol J. Cole, CMC, City Clerk
Jeff Sugg, City Attorney

The following county officials were present: Chairman Harold Holmes; County Commissioners Robbie Davis, Darrell Frye, Phil Kemp, and Robbie Mason; County Manager Frank Willis; County Attorney Aimee Scotton; County Clerk Alice Dawson; and Deputy Clerk Cheryl Ivey.

A quorum thus being present, Mayor Jarrell called the meeting to order for the transaction of business, and business was transacted as follows:

Mayor Jarrell announced that the purpose of this meeting is to hold a joint public hearing on the proposed appropriation and expenditure by the city council of city funds for an economic development project involving Technimark, Inc. After the public hearing, the city council will formally consider whether or not to enter into an economic development incentives contract with Technimark, Inc. and the County of Randolph. Mayor Jarrell opened the public hearing on behalf of the city, and Chairman Holmes opened the public hearing on behalf of the county.

Mrs. Bonnie Renfro, president of the Randolph County Economic Development Corporation, gave a brief history of Technimark. She stated that Technimark first located a manufacturing operation in Asheboro in 1983 as a customer injection molder of plastics products. Over the years, the operation has been very successful and today the company employs 1,040 workers with nine plants located in North Carolina and Mexico. The company operates five plants in Asheboro employing approximately 355 workers. The company serves a variety of markets including packaging products, electronics, automotive, power tools, consumer products, furniture, textiles, and proprietary products. Today, Technimark is the largest injection molder in the Southeast and one of the premier molders in the US.

The Asheboro operation is being considered for a significant expansion that will bring new investment and quality jobs to our community. Technimark is also considering expansion of existing operations at a site in Fayetteville, North Carolina. The location decision is contingent in part on the opportunity to realize savings with upfront costs associated with the expansion. Technimark is considering the investment of \$36.5 million and the creation of 79 new jobs. The investment would more than double the company's current investment in all of its Asheboro operations and increase its local workforce by more than 22 percent. The company would construct a new 31,000 square foot manufacturing facility for the project.

Mrs. Renfro asked the City of Asheboro and County of Randolph for consideration of the following:

- (1) The City of Asheboro and the County of Randolph authorize all appropriate resolutions and document preparation to enter into an economic development incentives contract with Technimark, Inc., as permitted by North Carolina General Statute Section 158-7.1.
- (2) The City of Asheboro and County of Randolph provide to Technimark a total of \$630,000 to assist the company with costs associated with the construction of a new facility and subsequent investment in machinery and equipment for the related expansion in the Central Piedmont Industrial Park in northern Asheboro.
- (3) The City of Asheboro and County of Randolph provide a total of \$315,000 each, sharing equally in the funding assistance.
- (4) The funding will be paid in no less than four installments contingent on the company's satisfaction of specific performance requirements for investment and job creation and retention. Those requirements will be formalized in an economic incentives agreement.
- (5) That agreement will include among other things that during the economic development project, the company must obtain from the City of Asheboro a Certificate of Occupancy or a letter/certificate of compliance certifying that the building or land affected by this project may be used or occupied for factory/industrial occupancy.
- (6) Technimark must deliver to the City and County written certification that the actual new value of investment in real and personal property of the project equals or exceeds the sum of \$36,500,000.
- (7) Technimark must deliver to the City and County reports evidencing the creation of a minimum of 79 new permanent jobs.

Mrs. Renfro introduced Robert Burkhart, Chief Finance Officer for Technimark, who was present to answer questions. He stated that Technimark will hire a lot of people in Randolph County and will utilize Randolph Community College. Mr. Burkhart feels that the product will remain in the United States. The technology is here, and most of the engineers live here.

There being no further comments, Mayor Jarrell and Chairman Holmes closed the public hearing.

Mayor Jarrell entertained a motion to go into closed session to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of business in the area served by this body, pursuant to N. C. G. S. 143-318.11(a)(4). Upon motion by Mr. Crisco and seconded by Mrs. Carter, council voted unanimously to go into closed session. The county commissioners voted likewise.

After council returned to regular session, Mr. Crisco moved that council enter into an economic development incentives contract with Technimark, Inc. and the County of Randolph. Mrs. Carter seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. The county commissioners voted to enter into said contract also. The city and county attorneys will prepare the contract.

There being no further business, Mayor Jarrell entertained a motion to adjourn the special meeting on behalf of the City.

Upon motion by Mr. Baker and seconded by Mr. Priest, council voted unanimously to adjourn the special meeting at 3:45 PM.

Carol J. Cole, CMC, City Clerk

David H. Jarrell, Mayor

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