RESOLUTION NO. 2012 - 30

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOMMENDING ADVANCED DISPOSAL SERVICES, INC. BE APPROVED AS A QUALIFIED TARGET INDUSTRY BUSINESS PURSUANT TO SECTION 288.106, FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR LOCAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT IN THE FORM OF CASH FOR THE QUALIFIED TARGET INDUSTRY TAX REFUND WITH HIGH-IMPACT SECTOR BONUS; DIRECTING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO DRAFT AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR THE CORRECTION OF ERRORS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Advanced Disposal Services, Inc. is the second largest privately held waste management company in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Advanced Disposal Services, Inc. has expressed interest in St. Johns County for consideration to locate their U.S. corporate headquarters; and

WHEREAS, Advanced Disposal Services, Inc. is considering other states in the Midwest and southern region for the proposed location of this operation; and

WHEREAS, Advanced Disposal Services, Inc. proposes to create 85 new jobs in St. Johns County at an average wage greater than 200% of the St. Johns County average wage if the local site is ultimately selected; and

WHEREAS, Advanced Disposal Services, Inc. represents a targeted industry for both St. Johns County and the State of Florida and has applied for a Qualified Target Industry Tax Refund for job creation estimated to be $595,000, of which St. Johns County will provide a local match of 20% if selected as the project site; and

WHEREAS, Advanced Disposal Services, Inc. has been identified as a Target Industry Business and, moreover, falls within one of the high-impact sectors designated under Florida Statute 288.108, specifically Information Technology and is eligible to apply for the Qualified Target Industry Tax Refund with a High-Impact Sector Bonus, pursuant to s.288.106, F.S.; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT:

SECTION 1. Incorporation of Recitals.

The Recitals expressed above are incorporated by reference into the body of this Resolution, and such Recitals are hereby adopted as findings of fact.
SECTION 2. Board Recommendation.

The Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida hereby recommends to the State of Florida that Advanced Disposal Services, Inc. be approved as a Qualified Target Industry Business.


The Board acknowledges that the necessary commitment of local financial support for Advanced Disposal Services, Inc. for the Qualified Target Industry Tax Refund with High-Impact Sector Bonus exists in the amount of $119,000, which includes $85,000 for the Qualified Target Industry Tax Refund and $34,000 for the High-Impact Sector Refund spread over four (4) County fiscal years. This amount will be made available in accordance with the guidelines set forth by the Department of Economic Opportunity with the stipulation that these funds are intended to represent local financial support pursuant to section 288.106 of the Florida Statutes.

SECTION 4. Draft Economic Development Grant Agreement.

The Board hereby directs the County Attorney to prepare a draft Economic Development Grant Agreement providing for $75,460 in economic incentives for later Board consideration upon St. Johns County being selected as the Advanced Disposal Services, Inc. site.

SECTION 5. Correction of Errors.

To the extent that there are typographical and/or administrative errors that do not change the tone, tenor, or concept of this Resolution, then this Resolution may be revised without subsequent approval by the Board of County Commissioners.


It is the intent of the Board, and it is hereby provided, that if any phrases, clause, sentence, subsection, section or provision of this Resolution is held to be invalid, or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction such invalidity of unconstitutionality shall not be construed as to render invalid or unconstitutional the remaining phrases, clauses, subsection or provisions of this Resolution.

SECTION 7. Effective Date.

This Resolution shall be effective upon execution by the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners.
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida this 16th day of October 2012.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: [Signature]

J. Ken Bryan, Chair

ATTEST: Cheryl Strickland, Clerk

By: [Signature]

Deputy Clerk