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# Gary Knowles

Taylor County, Florida

May 3, 2022

Anya Owens, Program Administrator  
Florida Department of State  
R.A. Gray Building  
500 S. Bronough Street , Room 101  
Tallahassee , Florida 32399 – 0250

Dear Ms. Owens:

I am transmitting herewith, Taylor County Ordinance No . 2022-04.

The Taylor County Commission adopted this Ordinance at their regular meeting held on Tuesday, April 19, 2022.

Same is transmitted to your office in compliance with Chapter 125 Florida Statutes.

Very truly yours,

GARY KNOWLES , Clerk  
Board of County Commissioners  
Taylor County, Florida

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ORDINANCE NO. 2022-04

**AN ORDINANCE GRANTING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO STEINHATCHEE MARINA AT DEADMAN'S BAY, LLC, CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA; SPECIFYING THE ITEMS EXEMPTED; PROVIDING AN EXPIRATION DATE FOR THE EXEMPTION; FINDING THAT THE BUSINESS MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF F.S. 196.012; PROVIDING FOR PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY FOR EXEMPTION; PROVIDING A REQUIREMENT FOR AN ANNUAL REPORT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, economic development and the creation of jobs are priorities of the Taylor County Board of County Commissioners; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Taylor County voted to authorize the Board of County Commissioners to provide economic incentives to new and/or expanding businesses in the November 2018 election; and

**WHEREAS**, STEINHATCHEE MARINA AT DEADMAN'S BAY, LLC, has requested that the Taylor County Board of County Commissioners exempt ad valorem taxes for its improvement to its existing facility and construction of new facility and new manufacturing equipment, in Steinhatchee; and

**WHEREAS**, STEINHATCHEE MARINA AT DEADMAN'S BAY, LLC, anticipates a minimum of \$6,707,818.00 in capital investment at their Steinhatchee facility during the next 10 years, and

**WHEREAS**, STEINHATCHEE MARINA AT DEADMAN'S BAY, LLC, anticipates a minimum of 35 quality jobs to be created at their Steinhatchee facility during the next 10 years, and

**WHEREAS**, the Property Appraiser has provided the Taylor County Board of County Commissioners with its report as required by Chapter 196.1995(9) F.S.; and

**WHEREAS**. It has been determined that STEINHATCHEE MARINA AT DEADMAN'S BAY , LLC, meets the requirements of Chapter 196.012 F.S., expansion of an existing business in Taylor County.

**THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA, as follows:**

**SECTION 1.** The Ordinance shall create Ad Valorem Tax Exemption for STEINHATCHEE MARINA AT DEADMAN'S BAY, LLC.

**SECTION 2.** An Economic Development Ad Valorem Tax Exemption is hereby granted to STEINHATCHEE MARINA AT DEADMAN'S BAY, LLC, locating in Taylor County, at 104 First Avenue SW, Steinhatchee, Florida 32359.

(a) The total amount of revenue available to Taylor County from ad valorem tax



sources for the current fiscal year is \$ 13,476,181 . \$ 121,348 is lost to Taylor County for the current fiscal year by virtue of exemptions currently in effect from previous years.

(b) The tax exemption hereby granted shall be for a term of 5 years, commencing with the first year the new improvements and personal property are added to the assessment roll, and lasting 4 additional years thereafter, for 50% annually of the increase in taxes due to the existing facility and the construction of the new facility.

(c) In accordance with the findings of the Board of County Commissioners and the Property Appraiser, the property hereby exempted from ad valorem tax exemption meets the definition of a new business, as defined by Chapter 196.012, Florida Statutes.

(d) STEINHACHEE MARINA AT DEADMAN'S BAY, LLC, shall submit to the County an annual report providing evidence of continued compliance with the definition of a new business or an expansion of an existing business for each of the five years during which STEINHACHEE MARINA AT DEADMAN'S BAY, LLC, is eligible to receive ad valorem tax exemption. The annual report shall be submitted to the County Administrator by January 31 of each year. If the annual report is not received, or if the annual report indicates that STEINHACHEE MARINA AT DEADMAN'S BAY, LLC, no longer meets the criteria of Chapter F.S. 196.012, the County Administrator shall make a report to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration of revocation of this ordinance granting the tax exemption. The Board reserves the right to reduce the percentage of the exemption of STEINHACHEE MARINA AT DEADMAN'S BAY, LLC.

**SECTION 3. Severability.** If any word, phrase, clause, section or portion of this Ordinance shall be held Invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such portion or words shall be deemed a separate and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

**SECTION 4. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon receipt of official acknowledgement from the office of the Secretary of State of Florida that this ordinance has been filed in said office.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** in regular session this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: Thomas Demps  
THOMAS DEMPS, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Dannell Muleker  
For GARY KNOWLES, Clerk