

**CITY OF GAUTIER
Business Item #7
Fact Sheet**

Council Meeting:
Title:

April 1, 2014
**Resolution authorizing and approving the execution
of a Financial Agreement with BankcorpSouth
Equipment Finance**

Introduced by:
Contact Person/Telephone

City Manager 497-8000 Ext. 306

Summary Explanation: Approval of a resolution for a Finance Agreement and Escrow Agreement with BancropSouth Equipment Finance, a division of BankcorpSouth Bank for the purpose of financing water meters.

EXHIBITS FOR REVIEW

Resolution	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ordinance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Contract	<input type="checkbox"/>
Minutes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Plan Maps	<input type="checkbox"/>
Order	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Submittal Authorization	City Manager

Staff Recommendation:
Approval

Motion Made by:													
Gollott	<input type="checkbox"/>	Martin	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jones	<input type="checkbox"/>	Guillotte	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vaughan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Anderson	<input type="checkbox"/>	Colledge	<input type="checkbox"/>

Second Made by:													
Gollott	<input type="checkbox"/>	Martin	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jones	<input type="checkbox"/>	Guillotte	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vaughan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Anderson	<input type="checkbox"/>	Colledge	<input type="checkbox"/>

Voted as follows:		Ayes	Nays	Abstained	Absent
Mayor	Gollott	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
At Large	Martin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ward 1	Jones	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ward 2	Guillotte	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ward 3	Vaughan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ward 4	Anderson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ward 5	Colledge	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Taken:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING EXECUTION
OF AN EQUIPMENT LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH
BANCORPSOUTH EQUIPMENT FINANCE, A DIVISION OF BANCORPSOUTH
BANK
FOR THE PURPOSE OF LEASE-PURCHASING CERTAIN EQUIPMENT**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council, the Governing Body (the "Governing Body") of City of Gautier, Mississippi (the "Lessee"), acting for and on the behalf of the Lessee hereby finds, determines and adjudicates as follows:

1. The Lessee desires to enter into an Equipment Lease-Purchase Agreement with the Exhibits attached thereto in substantially the same form as attached hereto as Exhibit "A" (the "Agreement") with BancorpSouth Equipment Finance, a division of BancorpSouth Bank (the "Lessor") for the purpose of presently purchasing the equipment as described therein for the total cost specified therein (collectively the "Equipment") and to purchase such other equipment from time to time in the future upon appropriate approval;

2. The Lessee is authorized pursuant to Section 31-7-13(e) of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, to acquire equipment and furniture by Lease-Purchase agreement and pay interest thereon by contract for a term not to exceed 5 years;

3. It is in the best interest of the residents served by Lessee that the Lessee acquire the Equipment pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of the Agreement; and

4. It is necessary for the Lessee to approve and authorize the Agreement.

5. The Lessee desires to designate the Agreement as a qualified tax-exempt obligation of Lessee for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this Governing Body for and on behalf of the Lessee as follows:

Section 1. The Agreement and Exhibits attached thereto in substantially the same form as attached hereto as Exhibit "A" by and between the Lessor and the Lessee is hereby approved and _____ (the "Authorized Officer") is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement on behalf of the Lessee.

Section 2. The Agreement is being issued in calendar year _____.

Section 3. Neither any portion of the gross proceeds of the Agreement nor the Equipment identified to the Agreement shall be used (directly or indirectly) in a trade or business carried on by any person other than a governmental unit, except for such use as a member of the general public.

Section 4. No portion of the rental payments identified in the Agreement (a) is secured, directly or indirectly, by property used or to be used in a trade or business carried on by a person other than a governmental unit, except for such use as a member of the general public, or by payments in respect of such property; or (b) is to be derived from payments (whether or not to Lessee) in respect of property or borrowed money used or to be used for a trade or business carried on by any person other than a governmental unit.

Section 5. No portion of the gross proceeds of the Agreement are used (directly or indirectly) to make or finance loans to persons other than governmental units.

Section 6. Lessee hereby designates the Agreement as a qualified tax-exempt obligation for purposes of Section 265(b) of the Code.

Section 7. In calendar year _____, Lessee has designated \$ _____ of tax-exempt obligations (including the Agreement) as qualified tax-exempt obligations. Including the Agreement herein so designated, Lessee will not designate more than \$10,000,000 of obligations issued during calendar year _____ as qualified tax-exempt obligations.

Section 8. Lessee reasonably anticipates that the total amount of tax-exempt obligations (other than private activity bonds) to be issued by Lessee during calendar year _____ will not exceed \$10,000,000.

Section 9. For purposes of this resolution, the amount of Tax-exempt obligations stated as either issued or designated as qualified tax-exempt obligations includes tax-exempt obligations issued by all entities deriving their issuing authority from Lessee or by an entity subject to substantial control by Lessee, as provided in Section 265(b)(3)(E) of the Code.

Section 10. The Authorized Officer is further authorized for and on behalf of the Governing Body and the Lessee to do all things necessary in furtherance of the obligations of the Lessee pursuant to the Agreement, including execution and delivery of all other documents necessary or appropriate to carry out the transactions contemplated thereby in accordance with the terms and provisions thereof.

THIS IS A FORM FOR THE COUNSEL'S OPINION FOR LEASE-PURCHASE. THIS LETTER SHOULD BE TYPED ON THE COUNSEL'S LETTERHEAD:

BancorpSouth Equipment Finance,
a division of BancorpSouth Bank
P. O. Box 15097
Hattiesburg, MS 39404-5097

Re: Lease-Purchase of Equipment by
City of Gautier, Mississippi
Schedule No. 002 to Master Lease No. 7335B

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your request, we hereby render the following opinion regarding the Equipment Lease-Purchase Agreement (the "Agreement") between City of Gautier, Mississippi (the "Lessee") and the Mayor and City Council (the "Governing Body") and BancorpSouth Equipment Finance, a division of BancorpSouth Bank (the "Lessor") dated

We have acted as counsel to the Lessee and the Governing Body with respect to certain legal matters pertaining to the Agreement, and to the transactions contemplated thereby. We are familiar with the Agreement and we have examined such agreements, schedules, statements, certificates, records, including minutes of the Governing Body of the Lessee and other instruments of public officials, Lessee, and other persons as we have considered necessary or proper as a basis for the opinions hereinafter stated.

Based on such examination, we are of the opinion that:

1. Lessee and the Governing Body have full power, authority and legal right to execute, deliver and perform the terms of the Agreement. The Agreement has been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of Lessee and the Governing Body and any other governing authority and does not require the approval of, or the giving of notice to any other federal, state, local, or foreign governmental authority and does not contravene any law binding on Lessee or the Governing Body or contravene any indenture, credit agreement or other agreement to which Lessee or the Governing Body is a party or by which it is bound.
2. The Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered and constitutes a valid and binding obligation of Lessee and the Governing Body enforceable in accordance with its terms.
3. All required procedures for execution of the Agreement, including competitive bidding, if applicable, have been complied with, and all rentals will be paid out of funds which are legally available for such purposes.
4. With respect to the tax-exempt status of the interest portion of rental payments under the Agreement, under present law:

Following the reading of the foregoing resolution, _____ moved that the foregoing resolution be adopted, _____ seconded the motion for its adoption. The _____ put the question to a roll call vote and the result was as follows:

_____	Voted: _____

The motion having received the affirmative vote of all members present, the _____ declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted this the _____ day of _____, _____.

(presiding officer), Title

ATTEST:

(SEAL)