

**CITY OF GAUTIER
MEMORANDUM**

To: Samantha Abell, City Manager
From: Cindy Steen, Purchasing Agent
Through: Cindy Russell, City Clerk
Date: April 23, 2014
Subject: Bank Depository for FY 2014 and 2015 pursuant to state laws.

REQUEST:

City Council authorization is requested for the City to enter into a contract for the bank depository FY 2014-2015 with Hancock Bank and Merchants & Marine Bank. Hancock Bank will continue to be the lead depository for the City however, there will be a split between Hancock Bank and Merchants and Marine Bank. Hancock Bank will retain 52% and Merchants and Marine Bank will receive 48%.

BACKGROUND:

Every two years the City must approve bank depositories. Hancock Bank currently is the City's lead depository. Remaining funds are split between Hancock Bank and Merchants & Marine Bank. Hancock Bank retains 52% and Merchants and Marine Bank receives 48%. The request for proposal specified that the City desires a variable interest rate, not fixed, for the most competitive savings rate. The City has utilized same depositories with varying services for more than 10 years.

RECOMMENDATION:

The City Council Shall:

1. Enter into a contract with Hancock Bank and Merchants and Marine Bank for the FY 2014-2015 with Hancock Bank and Merchant and Marine Bank.