

**CITY OF GAUTIER
MEMORANDUM**

To: Paula Yancey, Interim City Manager
From: Chandra Nicholson, Director of Economic Development and Planning Dept.
Date: July 12, 2016
Subject: Martin Bluff Road Widening Project – Authorization of City Manager to Approve Relocation Costs up to \$50,000

REQUEST:

The Economic Development and Planning Department requests that City Council authorize the City Manager to approve Relocation Costs for each relocation file up to and not to exceed \$50,000.00.

BACKGROUND:

This project is intended to provide improved traffic operations and safety on Martin Bluff Road. The project limits are between Gautier-Vancleave Road and the Service Road north of Interstate 10. This project is now in the right-of-way acquisition phase. Several of the improved parcels are eligible for relocation costs.

DISCUSSION:

Relocation costs are based on available properties at the time the offers are made. Authorization of the City Manager to approve Relocation Costs up to \$50,000 will expedite approvals so offers can be made before market conditions change. Any relocation costs over \$50,000 would need to be authorized by MDOT and the City Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Economic Development and Planning Department recommends that City Council authorize the City Manager to approve Relocation Costs for each relocation file up to and not to exceed \$50,000.00.

The City Council may:

1. Authorize the City Manager to approve Relocation Costs up to \$50,000.
2. Authorize the City Manager to approve Relocation Costs up to _____.
3. Deny the City Manager to approve Relocation Costs up to \$50,000.

ATTACHMENT(S):

None