

RESOLUTIONS OF THE BOARD OF  
CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
CONCERNING A RECREATIONAL SPORTS PARK

WHEREAS, at the request of the Board of County Commissioners, the Clay County Development Authority has duly and thoroughly investigated the feasibility of the development of a "Big League Dreams" sports park along the First Coast Expressway corridor, North of Old Jennings Road, including review and analysis of an economic feasibility study, review and analysis of various information concerning proposed locations, review and analysis of a proposal for operations from Big League Dreams Florida, LLC, and related legal and cost-to-develop information; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has concluded that although a "Big League Dreams" sports park is not financially feasible within the capital cost limitations of the County, the work of the Authority clearly demonstrates that sports tourism is a viable anchor and incentive for economic growth and development in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's mission is to seek out, evaluate and promote the economic development of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Authority desires to continue its efforts to bring a sports tourism venue to the County to spur economic growth, create jobs, and serve the needs of the citizens of the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED: That Authority recognizes and appreciates the leadership and support of the Board of County Commissioners throughout the process of evaluation of the "Big League Dreams" proposal; and

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Authority urges the Board of County Commissioners to continue its support of a sports tourism facility in the County, to maintain and preserve the working relationships among the respective staffs of the Board and of the Authority with the goal of bringing a sports tourism facility to the County, to spur economic growth, create jobs, enhance the regional and national recognition of Clay County, and serve the local sports needs of the citizens of the County; and

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Authority pledges its continued diligence and careful analysis of opportunities for a sports tourism facility in the North-Central portion of the County, or elsewhere as the opportunities arise, and will continue to work with the County staff in this and other economic development opportunities; and

FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of these Resolutions be transmitted by staff to the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners.