# ORDER: AUTHORIZE FILING OF EMINENT DOMAIN ACTION ON THE GEORGE LEWIS PROPERTY FOR THE WEST OXFORD LOOP EXTENSION

Motion was made by Kevin Frye, duly seconded by Chad McLarty, to authorize the filing of eminent domain action on the George Lewis property for the West Oxford Loop extension.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Kevin Frye, voted yes Supervisor Jeff Busby, voted yes Supervisor David Rikard, voted yes Supervisor Chad McLarty, voted yes Supervisor Mike Roberts, voted yes

After the vote, President Busby, declared the motion carried, this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.

Jeff Busby President

Board of Supervisors

Sherry Wall, Chancery Clerk

## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

## **COUNTY OF LAFAYETTE**

#### **CERTIFICATE**

I, Sherry Wall, Chancery Clerk and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Lafayette County, Mississippi, hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the resolution passed by the Board of Supervisors of Lafayette County, Mississippi at the meeting on March 20, 2017.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I signed and sealed this instrument as the Chancery Clerk of Lafayette County, Mississippi, on the down day of March, 2017.



Sherry Wall,

Chancery Clerk and

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Lafayette County, Mississippi

RESOLUTION FINDING AND DECLARING THAT THE PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY
REQUIRES THE ACQUISITION BY EMINENT DOMAIN OF THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY
LOCATED WITHIN AND ALONG THE PROPOSED WEST OXFORD LOOP RIGHT OF WAY PROJECT (SEMP 36(1)

Whereas, the Lafayette County Board of Supervisors and the City of Oxford have heretofore agreed between them to jointly develop an extension of the West Oxford Loop and Sisk Avenue roadways based on a finding that the public convenience and necessity would be served thereby; and

Whereas, Lafayette County and the City of Oxford jointly retained the engineering services of Elliott & Britt, P.A., to undertake preliminary and final road design and construction plans for the extension and expansion of West Oxford Loop and Sisk Avenue extended; and

Whereas, based on the completed road right of way design for said project (SEMP 36 (1)), Elliott & Britt have advised of the necessity of acquiring a road right of way upon the subject property as reflected on the attached survey and the Lafayette County Board of Supervisors accordingly finds and determines that the public convenience and necessity requires the acquisition of a road right of way upon the subject property reflected on said survey; and

Whereas, the Lafayette County Board of Supervisors attempted to negotiate the purchase of the subject proposed right of way properties based upon a fair market value, without success; and

Whereas, having unsuccessfully attempted the negotiated acquisition of the required road right-of-way on the property owned by the heirs of George Lewis as reflected on the attached survey (the "subject" properties), the Lafayette County Board of Supervisors approves the institution of an eminent domain proceeding and, further, to proceed under the quick take procedure based upon a finding, and hereby finds, that irreparable harm will occur and the public interest and convenience will suffer as a result of any further undue delay in the completion of said road project.

# Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved:

1. That the public convenience and necessity requires the institution of a quick take eminent domain proceeding for the purpose of acquiring a right of way upon the subject property in Lafayette County, and Oxford, Mississippi, given the need to alleviate significant traffic safety issues and that David D. O'Donnell, Esq. and Pope Mallette, Esq. be and are hereby retained and authorized to file eminent domain proceedings for and on behalf of Lafayette County and the City of Oxford.

The above and foregoing Resolution having been presented to the Lafayette County Board of Supervisors at its March 20, 2017 board meeting, Supervisor Frye moved that the foregoing Resolution be adopted and said motion was seconded by Supervisor metapy, and upon the question being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Supervisor Busby <u>Yea</u>

Supervisor Roberts <u>Yea</u>

Supervisor FRYE Yea

Supervisor Rikard Yea

Supervisor McLarty Yea

WHEREUPON, the foregoing Resolution was declared passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Lafayette County, Mississippi;

ON THIS, the 20th day of March, 2017.

Jeff Bysby, President

Lafayette County Board of Supervisors

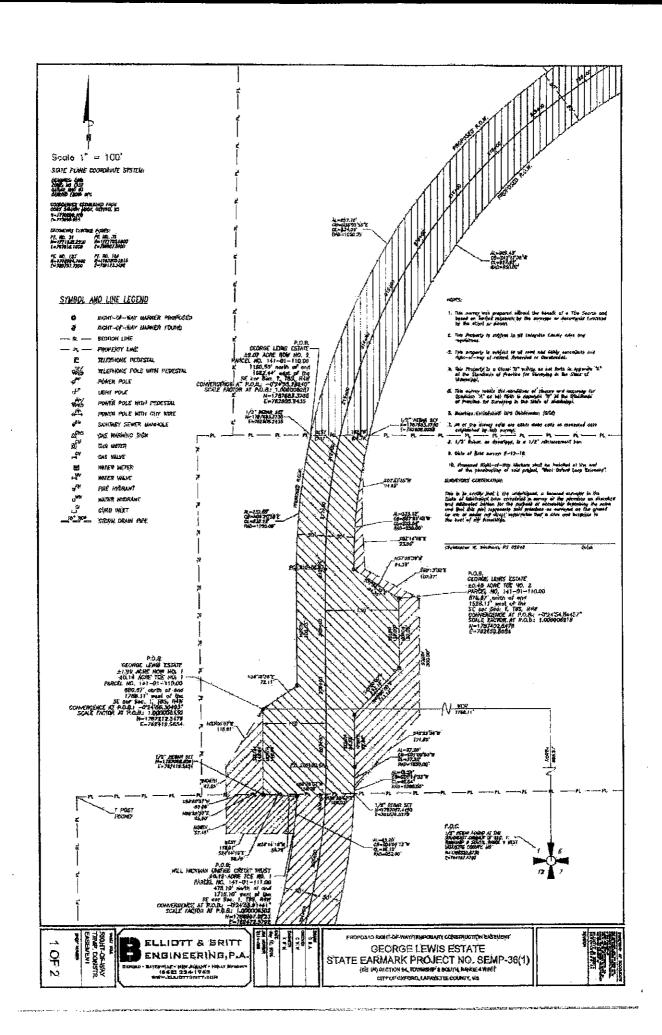
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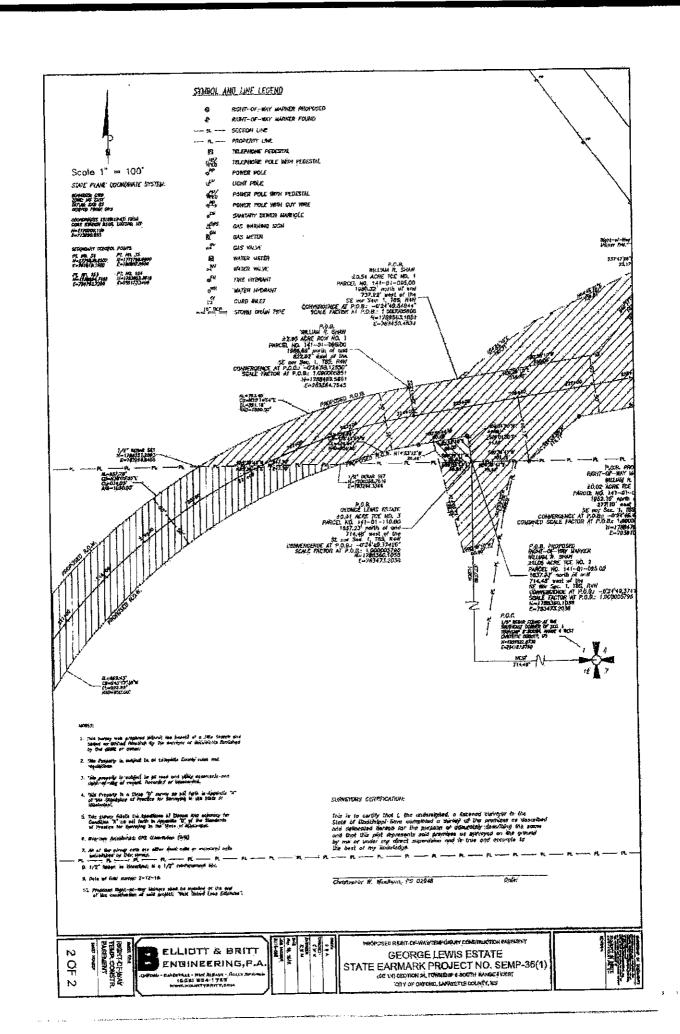
∕Sherry Wall,

Chancery Clerk and

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Lafayette County, Mississippi

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# OFFICE OF STATE AID ROAD CONSTRUCTION

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March 1, 2017

Larry L. Britt, P.E. Lafayette County Engineer Post Office Box308 Oxford, MS 38655

Dear Sir:

RE: STATE AID PROJECT

PROJECT NO. SAP-36(28)M LAFAYETTE COUNTY

In accordance with your request, a final inspection has been made on the captioned project. We have on file the necessary certificates, reports and other related documents to formally accept this project as having been completed in accordance with the terms of the contract. The acceptance date is **March 2**, 2017.

We have prepared and enclosed for your convenience the formal acceptance documents which include [two (2) copies of each, a Board Order and a joint letter of Acceptance to the contractor. We are requesting that you present these documents to the Board of Supervisors for official Board action. Upon execution of same, please return to Evelyn Hollins, Administrative Assistant, Office of State Aid Road Construction, P. O. Box 1850, Jackson, MS 39215-1850, one (1) copy of each, the Board Order and the joint letter of Acceptance, for the signature of the State Aid Engineer and/or the Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Transportation.

Sincerely,

H. Carey Webb State Aid Engineer

By: Evelyn Hollins

Administrative Assistant

Edyn Holling

Enclosure

pc: Lafayette County Board of Supervisors
Lehman-Roberts Co.
Travelers Casualty & Surety Co. of America
Project File