# ORDER: APPROVE AND EXECUTE APPRAISAL UPDATE AND MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR REAL PROPERTY WITH WES KNIGHT & ASSOCIATES FOR 2026 TAX ROLL

Motion was made by Scott Allen, duly seconded by Tim Gordon, to approve and execute appraisal update and maintenance contract for Real Property with Wes Knight & Associates for 2026 Tax Roll.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Brent Larson, voted yes Supervisor John Morgan, voted yes Supervisor Tim Gordon, voted yes Supervisor Scott Allen, voted yes Supervisor Greg Bynum, voted yes

After the vote, President Larson, declared the motion carried, this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025.

Brent Larson, President

Board of Supervisors

Mike Roberts, Chancery Clerk

# APPRAISAL UPDATE / MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR REAL PROPERTY ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT

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This agreement made this day of 2025, by and between LAFAYETTE
COUNTY of MISSISSIPPI, hereinafter referred to as County, party of the first part, and WES
KIGHT AND ASSOCIATES, hereinafter referred to as Consultant, part of the second part,
witnesseth: WHEREAS, the Consultant proposes to furnish the services of its qualified and
experienced personnel for appraisal of real property within LAFAYETTE COUNTY, according to
the provisions and specifications herein contained: and WHEREAS, the County desires to
contract for said services in the matter following:

# SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED THE CONSULTANT:

- 1. Perform Real Property Maintenance for 2026 tax roll
- 2. Incorporate new ownership splits requiring Market/True Value
- 3. The 25% review yearly will be carried out to comply with the policies of the state tax commission (this does not imply a walk around inspection).

#### SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED BY COUNTY:

- 1. Perform all name and acreage changes on property record cards and subsequent computer changes.
- 2. Perform all computer data entry and end of year edit/error reports.
- 3. Provide all; and make available all aerial maps, appraisal, homesteads, and permits that may be needed.
- 4. Provide yearly new set of updated maps that may be necessary.
- 5. Implement all new agricultural soil changes and values changed or amended.
- 6. The sending of and maintaining of a current sales file.
- 7. Hunting and fishing leases and personal property mobile homes.
- 8. The freezing of homestead values for taxpayers over 65 years old.
- 9. All building area calculations and PRC/computer sketches.

## **COMPENSATION AND TERMS:**

Contract shall cover the 2026 tax rolls and will be at:

\$396,000.00 THREE THOUSAND NINETY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS

In the event the price of regular gasoline hits \$5.00 a gallon within the county, the county will be billed a fuel surcharge in the amount of \$3,000.00 and shall be billed for each dollar jump thereafter (I.E.) \$6.00 will incur an additional surcharge and so forth.

Payments shall commence with new budget year starting in October of 2025.

## **DEFENSE:**

The Consultant shall carry a \$1,000,000.00 (ONE MILLION DOLLAR) liability policy.

The Company shall furnish without an additional charge, a competent representative of the company to appear at all formal hearings before the County Board of Equalization. In the event of an appeal to the courts, a company representative will, with an additional cost to the county of \$100.00 per hour for testimony, travel, research, and preparation on the county's behalf be present at meetings, depositions and courts to testify as a witness; provided these occur within one year from the date of the formal hearing. The County shall provide any and all legal and/or expert representation necessary for appeals to the courts.

WITNESS THE EXECUTION HEREOF IN TRIPLICATE ORIGINAL, ANY	EXECUTED COPY OF WHICH
SHALL BE DEEMED FOR ALL PURPOSES AS AN ORIGINAL,	

ON THIS	7K	DAY OF	<u> </u>		2025.
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BY: President of the County Board of Supervisors

BY: Lafayette County Tax Assessor

BY: Wes Kight, Wes Kight & Associates

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