METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF

MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

FINAL ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 2025-A-040

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT

McLaren Indy, LLC 7615 Zionsville Road

- WHEREAS, I.C. 6-1.1-12.1 allows a partial abatement of property taxes attributable to the installation of new equipment (hereinafter the "Project") in Economic Revitalization Areas; and
- WHEREAS, I.C. 6-1.1-12.1 empowers the Metropolitan Development Commission (hereinafter "Commission") to designate Economic Revitalization Areas and determine the length of the abatement period and annual deduction schedule during the term of the abatement for such property, and to limit the dollar amount of the deduction that will be allowed with respect to a project, by following a procedure involving adoption of a preliminary resolution, provision of public notice, conducting of a public hearing, and adoption of a resolution confirming the preliminary resolution or a modified version of the preliminary resolution; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Commission has established in Resolution No. 01-A-041, 2001, certain standards and procedures for the designation of Economic Revitalization Areas for the partial abatement of property taxes attributable to the installation of new equipment; and
- WHEREAS, I.C. 6-1.1-12.1 requires an applicant for Economic Revitalization Area designation to provide a Statement of Benefits and requires the Commission, before it makes a decision to designate such an areas as an Economic Revitalization Area, to determine that the Project can be reasonably expected to yield the benefits identified in the Statement of Benefits and determine that the totality of benefits arising from the project is sufficient to justify Economic Revitalization Area designation; and
- WHEREAS, a business (hereinafter "Applicant") named in the attachment to this Resolution, which attachment is hereby incorporated by reference, has a leasehold interest in the geographical area (hereinafter "Subject Real Estate") described in such attachment; and
- WHEREAS, the Applicant has requested that the Subject Real Estate be designated as an Economic Revitalization Area for the purpose of achieving property tax savings in connection with the installation on the Subject Real Estate of certain new manufacturing, logistical distribution, information technology, and/or research and development equipment (hereinafter "Specified New Equipment"); and
- WHEREAS, during a preliminary hearing at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 17, 2025, the Commission received evidence about whether the Subject Real Estate should be designated as an Economic Revitalization Area and the Commission adopted **Preliminary Resolution No. 2024-A-035 ("Preliminary Resolution")**, preliminarily designating the Subject Real Estate as an Economic Revitalization Area, and subject to the adoption of a confirming resolution by the Commission and subject to limiting conditions, and it fixed 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, **October 1, 2025**, in the Public Assembly Room of the City-County Building for the public hearing of remonstrances and objections from persons interested in whether the Subject Real Estate should be

designated as an Economic Revitalization Area to allow for the installation of the Specified New Equipment; and

WHEREAS, a copy of such Preliminary Resolution was properly filed with the Marion County Assessor and proper legal notices were published indicating the adoption and substance of such Preliminary Resolution and stating when and where such final hearing would be held; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Commission Resolution No. 01-A-041, 2001, the Applicant and City have entered into a Memorandum of Agreement which shall be utilized to measure compliance with the proposed Project described in the attachment to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, at such final Hearing, evidence and testimony, and Factual Assertions 1 through 6 stated on the attachment to the Preliminary Resolution,) were considered by the Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED:

- 1. The Commission now amends, confirms, adopts, and approves such Preliminary Resolution and thereby designates, finds, and establishes the Subject Real Estate to be an Economic Revitalization Area. This designation is subject to the conditions that designation allows abatement of property taxes only relative to the installation of the Specified New Equipment on the Subject Real Estate. However, on the written request of the Applicant, the Director of the Department of Metropolitan Development is allowed to authorize in writing, substitutions, modifications, and additions which are not substantial in nature to the Specified New Equipment, prior to March 1 of the year in which the initial certified deduction application for the Specified New Equipment is filed with the County Assessor.
- 2. The Economic Revitalization Area designation terminates December 31, 2030. Accordingly, partial abatement of property taxes is allowed relative to Specified New Equipment installed and in operation on the Subject Real Estate during the period from October 1, 2025, to December 31, 2030. However, termination of this designation does not limit the time the Applicant or successor owner is entitled to receive a partial abatement of property taxes, relative to Specified New Equipment installed on the Subject Real Estate before termination of such designation, to a period of less than ten (10) years.
- 3. The partial abatement of property taxes attributable to the installation of the Specified New Equipment is subject to limitations contained in I.C. 6-1.1-12.1-4.5 (c) and (d).
- 4. This Economic Revitalization Area designation is limited to allowing partial abatement of property taxes attributable to the installation of the Specified New Equipment on the Subject Real Estate and does not allow the abatement of real property taxes attributable to redevelopment or rehabilitation activities under I.C. 6-1.1-12.1-3. Pursuant to IC 6-1.1-12.1-2 (i), the Commission hereby limits the dollar amount of the deduction that will be allowed, with respect to installation of specified new equipment in the ERA, to those respective tax savings attributable to an equipment investment of not greater than \$3,000,000.00.
- 5. Pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-12.1-17, the Commission desires to utilize an alternative abatement schedule. The alternative schedule shall allow for 90% straight-line deduction (abatement) of the increased property taxes for each of the ten years of the real property tax abatement.
- 6. The Commission has determined that the Project can reasonably be expected to yield the benefits identified in the attached personal property statement of benefits (the "Statement of Benefits") and that the Statement

of Benefits is sufficient to justify the partial abatement of property taxes requested, based on the following findings:

- A. The estimate of the cost of the Specified New Equipment is reasonable for equipment of that type.
- B. The estimate of the number of individuals who will be employed or whose employment will be retained can reasonably be expected to result from the proposed installation of the Specified New Equipment.
- C. The estimate of the annual salaries of those individuals who will be employed or whose employment will be retained can reasonably be expected to result from the proposed installation of the Specified New Equipment.
- D. Other benefits about which information was requested are benefits which can reasonably be expected to result from the proposed installation of the Specified New Equipment.
- E. The "Totality of Benefits" is sufficient to justify the deduction.
- 7. Under the authority of I.C. 6-1.1-12.1, the Commission directs the Department of Metropolitan Development to survey projects receiving Economic Revitalization Area designation for compliance with job creation/retention figures, salaries associated with these figures and investment figures contained in the Applicant's approved Final Economic Revitalization Area Resolution, the Memorandum of Agreement executed by and between the Applicant and the City, and/or the Statement of Benefits form. The Commission may reduce the dollar amount, or rescind the deduction in its entirety, and/or require repayment of all or a portion of the deductions received by the applicant for failure to achieve the benefits identified in the attached Memorandum of Agreement and/or "Statement of Benefits" or failure to respond to the mandatory survey.
- 8. The Commission directs the Department of Metropolitan Development to survey the Project described in the attachment to this resolution annually for not less than twelve (12) years. The dates of the initial twelve (12) surveys shall be on or about the following dates: 2029, 2030, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2038, 2039, and 2040.
- 9. The Statement of Benefits is approved, and the Subject Real Estate area and Applicant's Specified New Equipment is approved for an abatement deduction period of ten (10) years.
- 10. The ten (10) year personal property tax abatement shall utilize the following deduction schedule:

YEAR OF DEDUCTION	PERCENTAGE
1 st	90%
2 nd	90%
3 rd	90%
4 th	90%
5 th	90%
6 th	90%
7 th	90%
8 th	90%
9 th	90%
10 th	90%

11. A copy of this Resolution shall be filed with the Marion County Auditor.

METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

John J. Dillon III, President
Date

Approved as to Legal Form and Adequacy this <u>23rd</u> day of September 2025.

Sheila Kinney,

Asst. Corporation Counsel

STAFF COMMENT PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT

Street Address:7615 Zionsville Rd.

Qualified New Jobs Created:10 at \$45/hr.

Qualified Jobs Retained:102 at \$49/hr.

Estimated Cost of Equipment:\$2,450,000.00

STAFF ANALYSIS

McLaren Indy, LLC, operating as Arrow McLaren, is the American racing division of McLaren Racing that competes in the NTT INDYCAR SERIES. Arrow McLaren, a leading motorsports company, entered the NTT INDYCAR SERIES in 2020 through a partnership with Schmidt Peterson Motorsports and fully acquired its IndyCar team in January 2025. Based in Indianapolis, the team manages all aspects of professional open-wheel racing, including car engineering, driver development, and race strategy. McLaren combines global motorsport expertise with local talent and innovation to challenge for wins and championships in one of North America's most prestigious racing series.

After recognizing the need for expanded space, McLaren explored relocation options but chose to stay rooted in Indianapolis. McLaren will invest \$6.1 million in real property and \$2.45 million in eligible personal property to move and expand its headquarters to 7615 Zionsville Road acquired in 2025 and is known as the previous home to the Andretti Autosport. The plan includes renovating the existing 73,000-square-foot facility and adding an 11,000-square-foot second-floor mezzanine, expanding the total footprint to approximately 85,000 square feet. This investment is designed to enhance the company's operational capabilities, reinforce its competitive edge in IndyCar, and contribute meaningfully to the region's economic development.

This strategic expansion will preserve 102 existing jobs with an average wage of \$49/hr., while adding 10 new high-wage positions at \$45/hr. The move reinforces the company's commitment to innovation and economic vitality in Marion County. McLaren Indy, LLC will also contribute 5% of its tax savings to support Women in Motorsports North America (WIMNA), in workforce development efforts. These efforts shall directly support activities that advance career opportunities for women across all roles in the motorsports industry.

The applicant is requesting tax abatement to assist in off-setting the high costs of investment associated with this proposed project. The granting of property tax abatement will assist the petitioner in making this project more economically feasible by phasing in the increased tax liability resulting from the investments. In staff's opinion, a project such as this would not be economically feasible without the tax abatement incentive. Staff believes that the use of tax abatement is an appropriate tool to assist with this project and support continued development within Marion County. For these reasons, staff believes tax abatement to be an appropriate tool for development.

Staff believes this project does comply with the requirements of Metropolitan Development Commission Resolution No. 01-A-041, 2001 concerning the granting of property tax abatement.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval of ten (10) years personal property tax abatement.

TOTALITY OF BENEFITS

PETITIONER: McLaren Indy LLC

INVESTMENT: Staff estimates that the proposed investment of \$2,450,000.00 should result in an

increase to the tax base of approximately \$980,000.00 of assessed value in the first year of operation. Staff estimates that over the ten (10) year personal property tax abatement period the petitioner will realize savings of approximately \$120,127.67 (an 83.3% savings). During the abatement period, the petitioner is expected to pay an estimated \$24,136.05 in personal property taxes related to the new equipment. After the tax abatement expires, the petitioner can be expected to pay an estimated \$101,010.63 in personal property taxes annually related to the new equipment.

QUALIFIED EMPLOYMENT:

The petitioner estimates that this project will create ten (10) new positions at an

average wage of \$45.00/hr., and retain 102 jobs at \$49.00/hr. Staff finds these figures

to be reasonable for a project of this nature.

OTHER BENEFITS: Staff believes this project is significant for Pike Township in terms of new taxes and

potential job creation and retention. Furthermore, staff believes the petitioner's

project will lead to continued future investment in Marion County.

STAFF COMMENT: Staff believes the "Totality of Benefits" arising from the project are sufficient to

justify the granting of the tax abatement.

PROJECT SUMMARY

Applicant: McLaren Indy LLC

Subject Real Estate: 7615 Zionsville Rd

<u>Pike Township Parcel Numbers:</u> 6024931 and 6015403

Project Description:

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Site-Plan

McLaren Indy, LLC 7615 Zionsville Road

