

ASHTON J. HAYWARD  
MAYOR

June 9, 2017

Board of County Commissioners  
Escambia County  
221 Palafox Place,  
Pensacola, FL 32502

Re: New Orleans Pelicans Proposal

Dear County Commissioners:

On May 24<sup>th</sup>, the Pensacola delegation and I were invited to present to the New Orleans Pelicans Executive Office. This past Wednesday we traveled to New Orleans to market the great things happening in our community. It is evident that their team is receptive to our area.

The Pelicans organization indicated the next steps in the process would be for the team to contact the City and the County if we are selected as a finalist. I will reiterate that the objective of this meeting was to promote the success of our region and to provide the organization with evidence that proves we have an environment that will help the Pelicans organization succeed.

It is encouraging for an organization of this magnitude to recognize the investments made in our community by our development partners, our corporate and military communities, our citizens, and local government. I look forward to the opportunity of working on the next steps of this process together.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 850-435-1624.

Sincerely,



Ashton J. Hayward  
Mayor

Cc: Jack Brown, County Administrator