



RESOLUTION NO. 20170124-06

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
TO SELECT AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

WHEREAS, TexAmericas Center is a political subdivision of the State of Texas with the powers and authorities specified in Chapter 3503 of the Special District Local Laws Code of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, TexAmericas Center has contracted with Workforce Solutions Northeast Texas to serve as the program administrator for a Department of Defense Office of Economic Adjustment Community Economic Adjustment Assistance grant; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of said grant and contract, TexAmericas Center has published a Request for Proposals for economic development consulting services for a Workforce Needs and Alignment and Study, Input/Output Analysis and Recommendations, and Vertical Market Integration Assessment Targeted Industry Study; and

WHEREAS, said Request for Proposals was issued on December 22, 2016 with a proposal submission deadline of January 18, 2017; and

WHEREAS, numerous proposals have been submitted to TexAmericas Center prior to or on the submission deadline date, which have not yet been fully evaluated and scored for compliance with the Request for Proposals; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of TexAmericas Center and Workforce Solutions Northeast Texas that the contract for the economic development consulting services be approved and executed on or before February 1, 2017, in order that the work can be completed and reports prepared and delivered within the time allowed by the grant and award;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That the selection committee shall, in accordance with the terms of the Request for Proposals evaluate and analyze the information and materials submitted by each of the proposers;
2. The selection committee shall rank the proposals based upon the Section and Evaluation Process set forth in Section 1.7, 1.8 and 1.9 of the Request for Proposals; and
3. The Executive Director/CEO of TexAmericas Center shall be and he is hereby authorized to negotiate the final terms of and execute a contract with the highest rated proposer as determined by the selection committee provided that the total contract price does not exceed the sum of **\$300,000.00**.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 24th day of January, 2017.


Denis Washington, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:


Melford Pierce, Secretary