

RESOLUTION NO. 07-286

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE
BY THE CITY OF PORT ARTHUR SECTION 4A
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF
\$52,000 FOR TRAINING FUNDS AND STIPENDS
FOR BASIC SAFETY PLUS TRAINING, NCCER
CONSTRUCTION WORKER TRAINING, FIRE
GUARD TRAINING, SCAFFOLD BUILDING
TRAINING AND OTHER SIMILAR TRAINING AS
REQUIRED OR SUITABLE FOR THE INDUSTRIAL
BUSINESS EXPANSION IN PORT ARTHUR**

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it in the public interest to authorize the City of Port Arthur Section 4A Economic Development Corporation to expend \$52,000 for training funds for Basic Safety Plus Training, NCCER construction worker training, fire guard training, scaffold building training and other similar training as required or suitable for the industrial business expansion in Port Arthur; and

WHEREAS, the City of Port Arthur will administer through Lamar State College – Port Arthur and ISTC, 96 to 100 hours of construction worker training for plant expansions through the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) to Port Arthur residents unemployed and underemployed; and

WHEREAS, on June 13, 2007 the Port Arthur Section 4A Economic Development Board found that the training to be provided by City of Port Arthur through Lamar State College – Port Arthur is suitable to promote business enterprises moving to or expanding in Port Arthur, particularly the industries, who need skilled workers during the construction and operations of the petrochemical expansion; and

WHEREAS, the City of Port Arthur Section 4A Economic Development Board has determined that a monetary grant/incentive will attract candidates to the training program who could otherwise not afford such a large time commitment; and

WHEREAS, the Port Arthur Section 4A Economic Development Board agreed to pay training cost for trainees up to \$40,000 for Port Arthur residents, unemployed and underemployed training and provide a \$200 per student stipend upon completion of the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) program; and

WHEREAS, the stipends will not exceed \$12,000; and

WHEREAS, the City Port Arthur will administer and provide Port Arthur Section 4A Economic Development Corporation records sufficient to show enrollment and successful completion of the programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT ARTHUR:

Section 1. That the facts and opinions in the preamble are true and correct.

Section 2. That the City of Port Arthur Section 4A Economic Development Corporation is herein authorized to expend up to \$52,000 for the training program and stipends.

Section 3. That duly authorized representatives of the EDC shall sign this Resolution agreeing to the terms of this Resolution.

Section 4. That a copy of this Resolution shall be spread upon the Minutes of the City Council.

READ, ADOPTED AND APPROVED ON THE 19th day of June

A.D. 2007, at a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Port Arthur, Texas by
the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Oltiz; Mayor Pro Tem Sinegal;
City Council: Chatman, Jones, Henderson,
Williamson and Prince.

NOES: None.

Oscar Ortiz
OSCAR ORTIZ, MAYOR

Attest:

Evangelina Green
EVANGELINE GREEN, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED:

Floyd Batiste
FLOYD BATISTE, EDC CEO

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Val Ligero
MARK T. SOKOLOW, CITY ATTORNEY (ON BEHALF OF)

AGREED TO:

CITY OF PORT ARTHUR SECTION 4A
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

By Richard Wynn
President

By Keith Sumner
Secretary