

RESOLUTION NO. 15-043

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PRE-EMPLOYMENT WORKFORCE TRAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PORT ARTHUR SECTION 4A ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND LAMAR STATE COLLEGE PORT ARTHUR FOR THE TRAINING OF TWENTY (20) PORT ARTHUR RESIDENTS AS COMMERCIAL DRIVERS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,400.00. FUNDING AVAILABLE IN EDC ACCOUNT NO. 120-1429-582.59-07.

WHEREAS, Lamar State College Port Arthur ("LSCPA") has created a Commercial Driver's License B Training Program in order to train drivers for the high demand occupations as described in the flyers attached as **Exhibit "A"**; and

WHEREAS, the City of Port Arthur Section 4A Economic Development Corporation ("PAEDC") Board of Directors has found that there is a high demand for licensed commercial drivers in the area and recognizes the importance of trained commercial drivers for entry-level employment; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 1967 amends the Texas Local Government Code by adding §501.163 which authorizes expenditures for pre-employment training by PAEDC; and

WHEREAS, at their January 13, 2015 regular board meeting, the PAEDC Board of Directors approved a Pre-Employment Training Agreement with LSCPA attached hereto as **Exhibit "B"** to assist in funding the tuition for twenty (20) Port Arthur residents in an amount not to exceed \$30,400.

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 Council approves the PAEDC entering into a Pre-Employment Training Agreement with Lamar State College Port Arthur for the training of twenty (20) Port Arthur residents as commercial drivers in an amount not to exceed \$30,400, in substantially the same form as attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

Section 3. That a copy of the caption of this Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the City Council.

READ, ADOPTED AND APPROVED on this 3rd day of Feb A.D., 2015, at a

Meeting of the City Council of the City of Port Arthur, Texas, by the following vote: AYES:

Mayor Prince; Mayor Pro Tem Freeman; Scott

Councilmembers Hamilton, Mosely, Lewis
Williamson and Honk

NOES: None.

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Deloris "Bobbie" Prince, Mayor

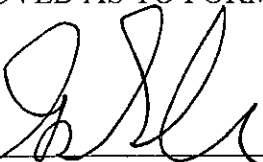
ATTEST:

Sherri Bellard
Sherri Bellard, City Secretary

APPROVED:


Floyd Batiste
Floyd Batiste, PAEDC CEO

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Guy N. Goodson, PAEDC Attorney

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Valecia R. Tizeno, City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS:



Deborah Echols, Director of Finance

EXHIBIT “A”



Commercial Driver's License B February 16 - May 15, 2015

Workforce Training
Lamar State College-Port Arthur

Take the Wheel

Trucking is a high-demand industry that offers rock-solid wages and job security. Lamar State College-Port Arthur's CDL training options can get you up to speed and on the road in under 3 months.

Trucking Industry Facts

- Great earning potential – salaries start at around \$40,000 per year.
- High demand – there's a regional shortage of drivers that will continue for years to come.

Program Highlights

- 12-week courses are scheduled on Monday/Wednesday/Friday evenings.
- Experienced, helpful instructors
- Small class size means more one-on-one interaction
- Great earning potential
- Local jobs available NOW!

Call Today!

409.984.6366

409.984.6354

SPACE IS LIMITED!

***\$1,500 grants available
for Port Arthur residents
for CDL Class B training!
Call for more details.**

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

- 100% hands-on training! No simulators! You will train with qualified drivers who will draw on years of experience to teach you all you need to know about the driving industry.
- You will drive the actual vehicles used in the field, from dump trucks to tanker trucks and passenger vehicles.
- Basic knowledge and driving skills to pass the Texas Commercial Driver's License B exam in three endorsement areas (Hazmat, Passenger Vehicles & School Buses).
- Rules of the road and smart driving strategies.
- How to connect with companies that are hiring truck drivers.

HOW YOU'LL LEARN

- We provide a diverse mix of classroom and videos, discussion sessions, driving demos and – most important – on-the-road, hands-on driving experiences.
- You'll train on vehicles used in the field.

PREREQUISITES

- Be 21 years of age.
- Successfully complete a Department of Transportation (DOT) Physical Examination.
- Pass a Department of Transportation Drug Screen.
- Read and speak the English language to converse with the general public and make entries on reports and records.
- Must provide a high school diploma or copy of your G.E.D. prior to registration.
- Be interviewed by a representative of the Lamar State College-Port Arthur Workforce Training Office.



*Financial support and assistance for Port Arthur residents is made possible by the Port Arthur Economic Development Corporation.

Success Is Closer Than You Think

LAMAR STATE COLLEGE-PORT ARTHUR

MEMBER THE TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM™ An equal opportunity/affirmative action institution

Tuition is \$1,500. Additional costs include textbooks, criminal background check and state exam fee. Tuition and state fees are subject to change.

Lamar State College-Port Arthur Workforce Training

Need a new career? We have the shortcut!

**Register TODAY for new courses that train you fast
so you can start making more money NOW!**

Commercial Driver's License B - Starts February 16, 2015

- No simulators! You'll receive hands-on training with certified drivers in the actual vehicles you'll drive once you are employed.
- 12-week program gets you ready to test in three endorsement areas: Hazmat, Passenger Vehicles & School Buses.
- *FULL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR PORT ARTHUR RESIDENTS!*

Certified Nurse Aide - Starts January 20, 2015

- Tired of making minimum wage? Nurse Aides start at nearly double minimum and jobs are available throughout the area!
- Our 12-week program prepares you to take the state exam that certifies you as a CNA. Want to be a Licensed Vocational Nurse? Completing this course helps qualify you to for LVN training!
- *INVEST \$475* FOR A NEW CAREER IN MEDICINE!*

Certified Medication Aide - Starts January 20, 2015

- Want to make a difference while making more money?
As a Medication Aide you will assist nurses in obtaining, sorting and distributing medication at hospitals or nursing homes.
- After 12 weeks, you will be ready to take the state exam that certifies you to start your new career in the healthcare industry.
- *\$435* TO IMPROVE LIFE FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY!*

Massage Therapy - Starts January 20, 2015

- Start your own independent practice or join a chiropractor or a beauty and health salon!
- This course features 10 beds, a full lab and classroom study, giving you the all hands-on experience you need to start this money-making new career.

*Additional costs for books, uniforms and state testing fee

SPACE IS LIMITED! REGISTER TODAY!

Call 409-984-6238 or 409-984-6354 NOW!



EXHIBIT “B”

**TRAINING AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
CITY OF PORT ARTHUR SECTION 4A
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
AND
LAMAR STATE COLLEGE PORT ARTHUR**

RECITALS

WHEREAS, The City of Port Arthur Section 4A Economic Development Corporation ("PAEDC") Board has found that the training of commercial drivers is a high demand occupation in the Port Arthur area and throughout the state. The PAEDC recognizes the importance of trained commercial drivers for entry-level employment.

WHEREAS, Lamar State College Port Arthur ("LSCPA") has developed a Commercial Driver Certification Program (the "Program").

WHEREAS, LSCPA will recruit and identify Port Arthur residents for enrollment into the Workforce Training Program. After LSCPA determines the student is eligible they will be eligible to receive financial assistance from PAEDC for the Training Program.

WHEREAS, PAEDC will allocate a total of \$1,520.00 per student for twenty (20) eligible students. PAEDC will pay fifty percent (50%) of the tuition at a cost of \$750.00 plus a \$20.00 installment plan fee per student for a total of \$770.00 upfront cost per student. The remaining fifty percent (50%) of tuition will be paid once PAEDC received confirmation that the student obtains his/her certificate of course completion.

NOW THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION of the recitals set forth above which are incorporated in this Agreement as fully set forth below and in consideration of the additional and mutual promises, covenants, conditions and agreements set forth in this Agreement and other good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged by each party, LSCPA and the PAEDC agree as follows:

AGREEMENT DATES

AGREEMENT START DATE

1. This Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into with an effective date of _____.

AGREEMENT END DATE

2. This Agreement expires on _____.

PARTIES

3. PAEDC located at 4173 39th Street, Port Arthur, Texas 77642, is a not for profit corporation. It is duly authorized to do business in the State of Texas under Section 4A, Article 5190.6 V.T.C.A. (the Development Corporation Act of 1979), its Board of Directors has approved this Agreement, and this Agreement has been duly authorized by Resolution of the City Council of the City of Port Arthur. As so authorized and as provided by the PAEDC bylaws, the President and Secretary of the PAEDC Board have the authority to execute this Agreement.

4. Lamar State College Port Arthur, 1500 Procter Street, Port Arthur, Texas 77640.

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

5. This Agreement has no legal consequences unless and until both the Board of Directors of the PAEDC and the City of Port Arthur City Council approve this Agreement in its final form.

PROMISED PERFORMANCE

6. The parties agree to perform as follows:

(a) PERFORMANCE BY LSCPA

- (1) Funding in the amount of \$30,400.00 is allocated to LSCPA subject to the approval of the City. LSCPA will provide the following services:
 - a. Identify Port Arthur students who are eligible to receive financial assistance through the PAEDC funds allocated.
 - b. *Provide the PAEDC with the names and form of identification as proof of residence for those students LSCPA has determined eligible to receive tuition funding from the PAEDC.*
 - c. Provide the eligible student training as set forth in *Exhibit "B"* so that the eligible student can receive their CDL Certification.
 - d. Provide PAEDC with reports on the students when fifty percent (50%) of the course is completed and again when the students receive their Certificate of Course Completion.

(b) PERFORMANCE BY PAEDC

- (1) PAEDC shall provide LSCPA 50% of tuition per student at a cost not to exceed \$770.00 per student upon the eligible students enrollment.

- (2) PAEDC shall provide LSCPA the remaining fifty percent (50%) of tuition upon completion of the Training Program by the eligible students.
- (3) PAEDC shall allocate a total of \$30,400.00 to the Training Program.

PAEDC'S CONDITIONAL OBLIGATIONS AND LIMITED LIABILITY

7. The PAEDC or the City, at its sole option, may terminate this Agreement for nonperformance or failure to comply with the terms of this contract. In the event of such termination by the PAEDC, the PAEDC may, at its sole option, immediately cease all further funding, if any, required by this Agreement and the PAEDC shall not be liable to LSCPA or to any third parties for failure to make payments to LSCPA under the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

8. The PAEDC's sole liability/obligation shall be to LSCPA and shall be limited to the funding for the Programs detailed in this Agreement. The PAEDC shall not be liable, in contract or otherwise, for any expense, expenditure or cost incurred by or on behalf of LSCPA related to the Programs except as set forth in this Agreement.

RECORDS / INSPECTION / PAEDC AUDIT

9. All records pertinent to this Agreement shall be retained by LSCPA.
10. Upon written request, LSCPA shall provide PAEDC with all reports reasonably necessary for PAEDC compliance with the Development Corporation Act of 1979 (Article 5190.6 V.T.C.A.) and Chapter 504, Local Government Code.

CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS

11. Any alterations, additions, or deletions to the terms of this Agreement shall be by amendment in writing and executed by all parties to this Agreement and approved by the PAEDC.

12. Any alterations, additions, or deletions to the terms of this Agreement which are required by changes in Federal, state or local law are automatically incorporated into this Agreement without written amendment hereto, and shall become effective on the date designated by such law or regulation.

DEFAULT / TERMINATION

13. In the event of default of any of the obligations of LSCPA detailed herein, the PAEDC may, at its sole and exclusive option, withhold and/or disallow further PAEDC payments or incentives to LSCPA.

14. In addition to the foregoing, the PAEDC and LSCPA agree that this Agreement may be terminated at any time when both parties agree, in writing, to the terms and conditions of any such voluntary termination.

ORAL AND WRITTEN AGREEMENTS / PRIOR AGREEMENTS

15. All oral and written agreements between the parties to this Agreement relating to the subject matter of this Agreement that were made prior to the execution of this Agreement have been reduced to writing and are contained in this Agreement.

VENUE

16. For purposes of litigation that may accrue under this Agreement, venue shall be Jefferson County, Texas, where substantially all the performance will occur.

ADDRESS OF NOTICE AND COMMUNICATIONS

City of Port Arthur 4A Economic Development Corporation
4173 39th Street
Port Arthur, Texas 77642
ATTN: Floyd Batiste, Chief Executive Officer

Lamar State College Port Arthur
1500 Procter Street
Port Arthur, Texas 77640
ATTN: Dr. Ben K. Stafford, Dean of Technical Programs

CAPTIONS

17. This Agreement has been supplied with captions to serve only as a guide to the contents. The caption does not control the meaning of any paragraph or in any way determine its interpretation or application.

ATTORNEY APPROVALS

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Guy Goodson, Legal Counsel for PAEDC

VERIFIED AS CONSISTENT

WITH CITY COUNSEL RESOLUTION: Resolution Number: _____

City Attorney

AGREEMENT EXECUTION

**CITY OF PORT ARTHUR SECTION 4A
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

SIGNED AND AGREED TO on the _____ day of _____, 2015.

By: _____
President

By: _____
Secretary

Witness

Witness

LAMAR STATE COLLEGE PORT ARTHUR

SIGNED AND AGREED TO on the _____ day of _____, 2015.

By: _____

Witness