

RESOLUTION NO. 20-055

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PORT ARTHUR SECTION 4A ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO UTILIZE PRE-EMPLOYMENT WORKFORCE TRAINING FUNDS TO IMPLEMENT A 2020 SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT TRAINING PROGRAM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$83,200; FUNDS AVAILABLE IN EDC ACCOUNT NO. 120-1429-582.14-00

WHEREAS, the Texas Legislature passed House Bill 1967 during the 83rd Legislative Session which amended Chapter 501 of the Local Government Code by adding §501.163 allowing for economic development funds to be utilized for the purpose of the pre-employment training and education; and

WHEREAS, on January 27, 2014, the City of Port Arthur City Council approved the City of Port Arthur Section 4A Economic Development Corporation ("PAEDC") implementing a Community Pre-Employment Program in order to provide job training of residents of the City of Port Arthur; and

WHEREAS, at its December 2, 2019 regular meeting, the PAEDC Board of Directors approved the use of funds from the PAEDC Pre-Employment Training Program to establish a 2020 Summer Youth Employment Training Program for up to twenty (20) 2020 high school graduates that are Port Arthur residents, providing payment of their wages not to exceed \$13.00 per hour and to place them with jobs matching their career goals; and

WHEREAS, the PAEDC 2020 Summer Youth Employment Training Program will provide job opportunities for high school graduates who already possess job-related skills and the knowledge to "learn as they earn"; and

WHEREAS, PAEDC will use guidelines (attached as **Exhibit "A"**) for applications and the placement of up to twenty (20) Port Arthur high school graduates with employers who may have job training opportunities in the fields of study of the students participating in the Summer Youth Employment Training Program.

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

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

Section 2. That the City Council hereby authorizes PAEDC to use its Pre-Employment Workforce training funds for the payment of wages not to exceed \$13.00 per hour to train up to twenty (20) Port Arthur high school graduates to participate in the 2020 Summer Youth Employment Training Program established by PAEDC with the total cost of the program not to exceed \$83,200.00.

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 18th day of February, A.D., 2020, at a Meeting of the City Council of the City of Port Arthur, Texas, by the following vote:

AYES:

Mayor Bartie, Mayor Pro Tem Dancit,

Councilmembers Scott, Jones, Kinlaw, Moser,

and Frank,

NOES:

None.


Thurman Bartie, Mayor

ATTEST:



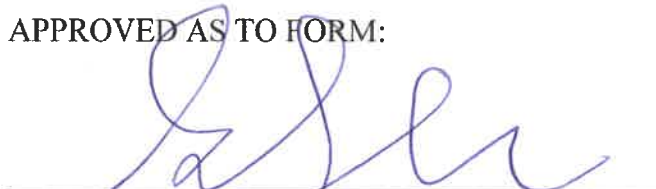
Sherri Bellard, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Floyd Batiste, PAEDC CEO

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Guy N. Goodson, PAEDC Attorney

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Valecia R. Tizen, City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS:

Kandy Daniel, Interim Finance Director

EXHIBIT "A"