

R-13-061

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY FINDING THAT PROJECT FREEZE BE APPROVED FOR AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE (EDI) GRANT FOR FISCAL YEARS 2013-2014 THROUGH 2017-2018, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Project FREEZE will locate a new manufacturing headquarters in Manatee County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Project FREEZE is an employer that pays above average salaries and benefits; and

WHEREAS, Project FREEZE'S facility will locate in Manatee County and will create 55 additional new jobs over a five year period; and

WHEREAS, expansion of the tax base and growth of higher paying jobs is vital to maintaining economic diversity and improving quality of life in Manatee County; and

WHEREAS, the Manatee County Board of County Commissioners has participated financially in inducements required to convince Project FREEZE to expand in Manatee County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, that:

1. The Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County hereby recommends Project FREEZE for the EDI Grant Program.
2. If the company meets the local EDI Grant program criteria for creation of a minimum of five (5) jobs and up to fifty-five (52) new quality jobs, the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, agrees to participate financially by offering inducements to Project FREEZE for locating within Manatee County in an amount not to exceed \$ 104,000 .

The total extent of Manatee County's participation shall not exceed \$104,000. The participation shall be subject to Project FREEZE's annual employment requirements and may be revised pursuant to the funding agreement and amendment(s) based on job creation performance and

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annual appropriations in the County Budget each fiscal year for the term of the agreement.

3. The Board of County Commissioners authorizes the County Administrator or his designee to execute the EDI funding agreement for Project FREEZE.

ADOPTED with a quorum present and voting this the **26th day of March 2013**.

**ATTEST: R. B. Shore
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By: *Wabi Jessner*



By: *Larry Bustle*
**Larry Bustle
Chairman**

March 26, 2013 - Regular Meeting
Agenda Item #26

Subject

Economic Development Incentive Grant, Project Freeze (R-13-061)

Briefings

None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Karen Stewart
Economic Development Program Manager
Ext. 6832

Action Requested

Adoption of Resolution R-13-061 finding that "Project Freeze" is approved for an Economic Development Incentive Grant to be paid over a five year period.

Enabling/Regulating Authority

F.S. 288.106 tax refund program for qualified target industry business.

Manatee County Economic Development Incentive Program.

Background Discussion

On April 21, 2009, the Manatee County Board of County Commissioners adopted the Manatee County Economic Development Incentive Program which provides for Economic Development Incentive (EDI) Grants.

EDI Grants are available to qualifying businesses creating new high-wage job opportunities, either by expanding an existing business or by bringing a new business to Manatee County. The incentive is customized per business based on the number of jobs created and percent above 115% of the average Manatee County annual wage.

Project FREEZE will bring a new manufacturing headquarters to Manatee County.

Project FREEZE will create 52 jobs over five years paying a minimum of 150% of the 2011 Manatee County average annual wage plus benefits.

Manatee County staff will be responsible for monitoring all EDI Grant requirements, as well as processing the invoice for payment on an annual basis upon confirmation of compliance with wage and annual job creation and retention requirements.

Compliance with the program is managed through the adoption of Resolution R-13-061.

The County's commitment will require future budget appropriations beginning FY 2013-2014 through FY

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2017-2018, if all the employment conditions are met. We have appropriated monies annually for the last few years to be set aside for economic development incentives such as the state and local EDI program where applicable and will continue to ensure that reserves are set aside for this purpose and carried forward to fund the County's future obligations (\$104,000) for this application.

County Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Explanation of Other

Reviewing Attorney

N/A

Instructions to Board Records

Original to Board Records; copy to Karen Stewart, Neighborhood Services Department

Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

EDI.107.0015806

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs

\$104,000

Attachment: [Project Freeze R13061.pdf](#)

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Attached please find the above Resolution from Board of County Commissioners Meeting 3/26/13.

Thank you.

Juanita "Nita" Reinhold

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