

R-13-083

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY FINDING THAT PROJECT AMBER 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 AMBER will expand a manufacturing operation in Manatee County, Florida; and

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

WHEREAS, Project AMBER'S facility will locate in Manatee County and will create 30 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 AMBER 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 AMBER 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 thirty (30) new quality jobs, the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, agrees to participate financially by offering inducements to Project AMBER for locating within Manatee County in an amount not to exceed \$ 30,000 .

The total extent of Manatee County's participation shall not exceed \$30,000. The participation shall be subject to Project AMBER's annual employment requirements and may be revised pursuant to the funding agreement and amendment(s) based on job creation performance and annual

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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 AMBER.

ADOPTED with a quorum present and voting this the **7th day of May 2013**.

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

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

By: *Robin Jessner DC*



By: *Larry Bustle*

**Larry Bustle
Chairman**

May 7, 2013 - Regular Meeting
Agenda Item #21

Subject

EDI Grant - Project AMBER - Resolution R-13-083

Briefings

None

Approved in Open Session 5/7/13,
Manatee Board of County Commissioners

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Karen Stewart, Manager

Economic Development Division

Ext. 6832

Action Requested

Adoption of Resolution R-13-083 finding that Project AMBER be approved for an Economic Development Incentive Grant for a five-year period.

Enabling/Regulating Authority

F.S. 288.106 Tax refund program for qualified target industry businesses

Manatee County Government 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 the average Manatee County annual wage.
- Project AMBER plans to expand a manufacturing operation in Manatee County creating 30 new jobs over a five-year period paying above average annual wages plus benefits.
- Manatee County staff will be responsible for monitoring all EDI grant requirements, as well as processing invoices 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-13-083.
- The County's commitment will require future budget appropriations beginning FY2013-2014 through

Manatee County Government Administrative Center
Commission Chambers, First Floor
9:00 a.m. - May 7, 2013

2017-2018, if all employment conditions are met. We have annually appropriated monies 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 (\$30,000) for this application.

County Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Explanation of Other

Reviewing Attorney

N/A

Emailed 5/8/13, RLL

Instructions to Board Records

Original Resolution for Board Records; copy of stamped approved Agenda Memorandum and executed Resolution to Karen Stewart (karen.stewart@mymanatee.org), Neighborhood Services Department.

cc: Nicolette Coetzee & Debbie Bassett, C/Atty, 5/8/13, RLL

Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

\$30,000 EDI 1070015806

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs

Over a 5 year period

Attachment: [Project Amber R-13-083.pdf](#)

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Attached is Resolution R-13-083 & agenda package, approved by the County Commission on 5/7/13.

Robin Liberty
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