

R-14-169

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY RESCINDING RESOLUTION R-14-077 AND FINDING THAT PROJECT EPSILON BE APPROVED FOR AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE (EDI) GRANT FOR FISCAL YEARS 2014-2015 THROUGH 2018-2019, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Project EPSILON is expanding an Infotech company in Manatee County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Project EPSILON is an employer that pays in excess of 150% of the average Manatee County annual wage; and

WHEREAS, Project EPSILON's facility will locate in Manatee County and will create 350 new jobs over the next five years; 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 is willing to participate financially in inducements required to convince Project EPSILON to expand in Manatee County.

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

1. Resolution R-14-077 is hereby rescinded.
2. The Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County hereby recommends Project EPSILON for the EDI Grant Program.
3. If the company meets the local EDI Grant program criteria for creation of a minimum of five (5) and a maximum of three hundred fifty (350) quality jobs, the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, agrees to participate financially by offering inducements to Project EPSILON for locating in Manatee County in amounts not to exceed:

EDI

\$700,000

The total extent of Manatee County's participation shall not exceed \$700,000 for the EDI Grant. The participation shown above shall be subject to Project Epsilon's employment requirements and annual appropriations in the County Budget each fiscal year.

4. The Board of County Commissioners authorizes the County Administrator or his designee to execute the EDI funding agreement / amendment for Project EPSILON.

ADOPTED with a quorum present and voting this the **16th day of December 2014**.

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

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: *R. B. Shore*

By: *Larry Bustle*
Larry Bustle
Chairman

