

Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application of up to \$330,000 to the Office of the Governor for funding from the Texas Military Preparedness Commission's Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant Program for the replacement of 15 Condensate Return Stations with new and larger Condensate Return Stations at the Corpus Christi Army Depot Building 8; this grant application requires a match contribution of up to \$39,600 from the City to fund project management and grant administration services.

WHEREAS, with 15 major installations and the Army Futures Command, numerous headquarters, open spaces for realistic training, low cost of living and outstanding support to military and families, Texas has a long, significant, and proud history of partnership with the defense of our nation; and

WHEREAS, active duty and reserve installations across the branches of service in Texas, the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts estimates these military installations contributed at least \$114.1 billion to the Texas economy in 2021 and supported more than 622,790 jobs in communities across the state; and

WHEREAS, these military installations are also part of the fabric of many communities and are a source of great pride, provide skilled workforce, add to population growth, and have significant economic impact; and

WHEREAS, Naval Air Station Corpus Christi (NASCC) and the Corpus Christi Army Depot (CCAD) have an estimated employment of more than 9,400 full-time and contract employees making CCAD the largest employer in the City and NASCC the sixth largest; and

WHEREAS, CCAD is the premiere rotary wing aircraft and component repair facility in the world which was established in 1961 to ensure aviation readiness through overhaul, repair, modification, retrofit, testing, recapitalization, and modernization of helicopters, engines and components using the expertise of civilian artisans who take aging aircraft and transform them into practically new, fully-modernized helicopters packed with additional capabilities and cutting-edge technologies to handle anything on the battlefield; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project will replace 15 smaller Condensate Return Stations (CRSs) and two larger CRS units at the Corpus Christi Army Depot (CCAD) Building 8 where component rebuild activities, such as engine cleaning, occur; CRSs also provide heat in the workplace and reduce the relative humidity in certain mission-critical shop environments; of the 36 CRSs in Building 8, only four have been determined to be in good or unverified condition, and half (18) are generally deteriorated/corroded tanks and pumps that do not work and/or leak; replacing the deteriorating CRSs and installing two new larger CRSs is estimated to save approximately \$290,000 per year in water supply, wastewater treatment, chemicals, heating, and softener salt;

WHEREAS, CCAD will fund the replacement of seven 45 gallons per minute (GPM) CRSs, replace one 90 GPM CRS, and install one new 90 GPM CRS; and

WHEREAS, DEAAG is proposed to replace fifteen 45 GPM CRSs; and CCAD will replace two of its CRSs; and

WHEREAS, deteriorating and leaking CRSs wasted approximately 3,000,000 gallons of water in 2022. CCAD estimated approximately 3,317,254 gallons of raw water was used in calendar year 2022 with only 317,254 attributable to CCAD Building 8 operations that use steam and water directly from the system and is not returnable; the wasted water supply and wastewater treatment cost CCAD approximately \$83,580 per year, an additional \$65,000 per year in chemicals, more than \$102,000 to heat new water from 70 degrees to 220 degrees, and finally, approximately \$39,000 per year in water softener salt; the savings achieved by replacing these deteriorating and leaking CRSs will pay for itself in less than 18 months; and NASCC's wastewater treatment plant should also benefit from reduced treatment operations; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Legislature appropriated \$30 million in the FY24-FY 25 biennial to the Texas Military Preparedness Commission (TMPC) Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant (DEAAG) fund to assist defense communities that have been, or may potentially be, impacted by a past or future BRAC action, to obtain economic assistance to mitigate or prevent or otherwise positively affect their local economy through funded projects; the DEAAG application period is now open and approximately \$15 million is available for this round; and the TMPC deadline for submitting DEAAG applications is October 11, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this project will build on the strong partnership between Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, the Corpus Christi Army Depot, the State of Texas, and the City of Corpus Christi,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. The City Manager, or designee, is authorized to submit a grant application of up to three hundred thirty thousand dollars (\$330,000.00) to the Office of the Governor for funding from the Texas Military Preparedness Commission's Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant Program for the replacement of 15 Condensate Return Stations with new and larger Condensate Return Stations at the Corpus Christi Army Depot Building 8, with a match contribution of up to thirty-nine thousand and six hundred dollars (\$39,600) from the City to fund project management and grant administration services.

SECTION 2. The City Manager or his designee is authorized to sign any and all contracts, agreements or other documents to apply for the above-referenced grant and/or to spend or appropriate any of the funds referenced in this resolution and the grant documents.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the _____ day of _____, 2024.

ATTEST:

Paulette Guajardo, Mayor

Rebecca Huerta, City Secretary