

Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application of up to nine hundred and twenty-two thousand and fifty-nine dollars and ninety cents (\$922,059.90) to the Office of the Governor for funding from the Texas Military Preparedness Commission's Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant Program to remove and replace two aging and deteriorating pumps and motors at two wastewater lift stations within the NASCC and to install two new diesel-powered emergency generators at each lift station; the grant will require a match contribution of up to one hundred and ten thousand six hundred and forty-seven dollars and nineteen cents (\$110,647.19) 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, The mission of NASCC is to provide the best possible service and facilities to its customers with pride. Its primary function is to maintain and operate facilities, and provide service and material, to support operations of aviation facilities and units of the Naval Air Training Command and other tenant activities and units. NASCC consists of more than 75 buildings spread out over more than 2,800 acres housing 29 tenant commands, including the Corpus Christi Army Depot (CCAD), the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), Department of Homeland Security, Chief of Naval Air Training (CNATRA), and Morale Welfare and Recreation (MWR); 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 remove and replace two aging and deteriorating pumps and motors within two wastewater lift stations and install diesel-powered emergency generators for the two lift stations which support the primary distribution of domestic and industrial waste created by CCAD Industrial Complex to the NASCC Wastewater Treatment (WWTP) Plant. These lift stations are currently listed as critical facilities for Continuity of Operations; and

WHEREAS, the modernized lift stations will comply with federal and state environmental standards and meet both Department of Defense (DoD) and Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) criteria for functioning lift stations. The modernized lift stations will meet the Department of Navy Installation Energy Resilience Goals for resiliency, reliability and efficiency of critical utility assets supporting mission; and

WHEREAS, the NASCC WWTP has a Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) permit from the TCEQ to discharge wastewater into Corpus Christi Bay. The environment, specifically Corpus Christi Bay, will benefit from reduced potential for violations associated with the domestic wastewater collection and treatment system. The Environmental Protection Agency designated the Corpus Christi Bay system as an estuary of national significance. According to the Harte Research Institute at Texas A&M University Corpus Christi, more than 234 species of fish are found in the bay; and

WHEREAS, NASCC has committed to match the City's DEAAAG request with funding from the Naval Facilities Command budget for the replacement of one lift station and DEAAAG is proposed to replace the other failing lift station; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Legislature appropriated \$30 million in the FY24-FY 25 biennia to the Texas Military Preparedness Commission (TMPC) Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant (DEAAAG) 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 DEAAAG application period is now open and approximately \$15 million is available for this round. The TMPC deadline for submitting DEAAAG applications is October 13, 2023; 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 nine hundred and twenty-two thousand and fifty-nine dollars and ninety cents

(\$922,059.90) to the Office of the Governor for funding from the Texas Military Preparedness Commission's Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant Program with a match contribution of up to one hundred and ten thousand six hundred and forty-seven dollars and nineteen cents (\$110,647.19) 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 _____, 2023.

ATTEST:

Paulette Guajardo, Mayor

Rebecca Huerta, City Secretary