



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Corpus Christi Business and Job Development Corporation Meeting
June 25, 2018

DATE: June 1, 2018

TO: President and Honorable Board Members,
Corpus Christi Business and Job Development Corporation

THROUGH: Keith Selman, Interim City Manager

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Discussion of Extension of Agreement for Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi

CAPTION:

Discussion with possible action authorizing an amendment to the business incentive agreement with Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi, dated September 20, 2016, which grants \$2,000,000 to the University for use in creating programs in civil and industrial engineering to extend the deadline to receive funding until December 31, 2020 and extending the term of the agreement to December 21, 2023.

PURPOSE:

Approve an extension of a grant of \$2,000,000 for Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi (TAMU-CC) until December 31, 2020 and extending the term of the agreement to December 21, 2023.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Board approved a grant of \$2 million to TAMU-CC to expand their engineering programs to add civil and industrial engineering in August 2016, and executed the agreement in September of 2016. One of the requirements was that the legislature or Texas A&M must fund the expansion by September 1, 2018 and that is unlikely to occur. The University asks that the Board extend the deadline to December 31, 2020 to get through the next legislative session. The graduates of these programs are needed to fill jobs in the City. The grant would go toward building and/or retro-fitting laboratories and purchase of equipment.

ALTERNATIVES:

The University does not have other funding options

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

This is an excellent opportunity to get high skilled engineers for our labor market.

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

This incentive is in keeping with the stated goals of job training

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

Non-Emergency

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Legal

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

☐ Operating ☐ Revenue ☐ Capital ☒ Not applicable

Fiscal Year: 2017-2018	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered / Expended Amount				
This item				
BALANCE				

Fund: Type A 1140

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approving the extension of the \$2,000,000 grant to Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi to add civil and industrial engineering through December 31, 2020.

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS:

TAMU-CC Extension Letter
TAMU-CC Business Incentives Agreement