



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Corpus Christi Business and Job Development Meeting of November 15, 2021

DATE: November 1, 2021

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

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BACKGROUND:

In August of 2016 the Type A Board approved a \$2 million grant for Texas A&M University–Corpus Christi for the creation of laboratories that meet the physical and computing demands of the new civil and industrial engineering programs. The City Council passed the grant in September 2016. The agreement required that the University get funding for the programs by September 1, 2018, which was amended to December 31, 2020. They also needed to report the number of students enrolled in the programs and display signage that states that this project is a recipient of Type A funding.

The University reported that they had received funding from the Legislature during the 2019 session and that the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board approved the two programs on October 24, 2019. The university began work on the laboratories. They started enrolling students in the programs for the fall semester of 2020. To date, they have submitted ten invoices totaling \$467,478.12 and have \$1,532,521.28 left in the grant. They have until December 31, 2023 to use the grant funds. They have submitted annual reports, as required by the agreement, reporting the number of students enrolled. This presentation will take a deeper dive into the programs, look at laboratory construction and schedules, and answer any questions the Board may have.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Civil and Industrial Engineering Presentation