

AGENDA ITEM # 24

September 8, 1998

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Consider request from the City of Hutto Economic Development Corporation for an assisted grant to promote economic development in Hutto.

Hutto Economic Development Corporation President Edmund Schmidt requested \$3,500.00 economic development funds to be used for signage on Highway 79 both east and west of Hutto promoting the community as a location for manufacturing industrial sites which are convenient to Austin and assessable to rail, air and highway transport.

Also to cooperate with the Hutto Chamber of Commerce proposed web site development, the HEDC would provide funding to initiate the on-line service and provide additional funds for staff support to monitor the site.

He continued with the non tax exempt Economic Development Corporation being supported by 1/2 cent city sales tax.

Commissioner Heiligenstein advised county policy is a limit of \$5,000.00 per community and Hutto Chamber of Commerce had received \$3,500.00 this year.

All members of the court were in agreement to stay with the \$5,000.00 per community limit with one-time exception of Hutto Economic Development Corporation.

Moved: Commissioner Mehevec

Seconded: Commissioner Hays

Motion: To approve \$3,500.00 economic development grant to Hutto Economic Development Corporation.

Vote: Motion carried 5 - 0

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September 2, 1998

The Honorable Judge Doerfler
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 710 S. Main Street, Suite 201
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RE: Economic Development Grant

Dear Judge Doerfler:

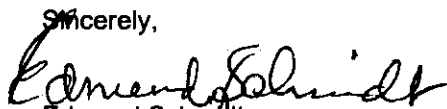
The Hutto Economic Development Corporation (HEDC) has been in existence since November 1997. This Corporation operates under the guidelines set forth in Section 4-A of the Development Corporation Act of 1979. Money allocated to the Corporation comes from sales tax generated in the City of Hutto. Strict guidelines are in place regarding disbursement of these funds by the Corporation.

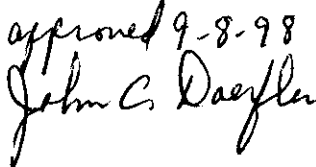
We recognize the importance for Hutto to have balanced development. We believe that it is critical for Hutto not be simply a bedroom community for Austin. The Board has set as its **primary** objective to increase industry awareness regarding opportunities in the Hutto area. In order to reach these objectives the Board of Directors has determined that the following activities are to be implemented:

1. To establish signage on Hwy 79 both East and West of Hutto promoting the community as a location for manufacturing/industrial sites that are convenient to Austin and accessible to rail, air, and highway transport. Estimated cost \$2000
2. In order to cooperate with the Hutto Chamber of Commerce proposed web site development, the HEDC would provide funding to initiate the on-line service and provide additional funds for staff support to monitor the site. Estimated cost \$2000

We anticipate that the demand on the HEDC funds will far exceed the ability of the city to generate sales tax revenue for this purpose. We respectfully request an Economic Development Grant in the amount of \$3500 from Williamson County. This money would allow the Corporation to more freely begin to lay the ground work for developing economic opportunities in the Hutto area.

Sincerely,


 Edmund Schmidt
 President, HEDC

approved 9-8-98


AGENDA ITEM # 25

September 8, 1998

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Discuss and take appropriate action on awarding third party administrator proposal for Health Benefits.

Commissioner Boatright informed the court the annual proposals for third party administrator for Health Benefits were received in Commissioner's Court at 10 o'clock a.m. on Tuesday, August 4, 1998.

Moved: Commissioner Boatright

Seconded: Judge Doerfler

Motion: To award third party administrator proposal for Health Benefits to Ted L. Parker & Associates.

Vote: Motion carried 5 - 0

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8-24-98

Lisa R. Zirkle
Employee Benefits Director

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Dear Lisa:

In response to the Committee's request, please find the following:

- Aggregate report for 1996-1997 plan year.
- 12 month, 11-1-98 to 10-31-98 (24/12 contract or "Paid").
- 80,000 with a 35,000 Aggregating Specific and also an 80,000 Non-Aggregating.
- TransAmerica contractual arrangements. TLP&A is an approved Third Party Administrator for this carrier. We currently do not have any stop loss business with them, but have had business on the books in the past and can accommodate any future business.

Protective Life revised their attachment point based on updated claims information. Security Life of Denver's quote is reduced both on the Specific and Aggregate due to the initial load required for a 24/14 contract. Banker's Life still has the best fixed and overall costs.

I believe that your current specific is still better than the additional exposure you would have on the \$80,000 Specific. Please call me if you have any questions or would like to discuss other options.

Liz Franco

cc: Renee Grimes

