Resolution No. 2019-10

A RESOLTUION ACKNOWLEDGING THE CREATION OF THE ROCKDALE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, Rockdale County Board of Commissioners are tasked with the protection of the County's health, safety, morals, and general welfare; and

WHEREAS, Rockdale County recognizes that economic growth is sustainable and measurable; and

WHEREAS, such economic incentives allow a County and its local authorities to promote, grow (and maintain) the local economy through job creation, wage and compensation growth, and/or tax base expansion; and

WHEREAS, Rockdale County has created an Economic Development Task Force to provide guidance for economic development activities county-wide, and has tasked its Conyers Rockdale Economic Development Council, its Development Authority, and its County Leadership, with implementing that direction; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners wishes that this resolution will expand and attract businesses, create jobs, and increase economic growth.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of Rockdale County, Georgia, that the Rockdale County Economic Development Task Force be created, as identified in the "Rockdale County Economic Development Task Force Bylaws and Rules of Procedures," attached hereto and incorporated herein by the reference, is hereby adopted as described therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any resolution in conflict with this resolution is hereby repealed.

SO RESOLVED this 25 day of June , 2018. 2019

Rockdale County, Georgia Board of Commissioners

By: Osborn Nesbitt, Sr., C

Sherri L. Washington

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Attest:

Jennifer Rutledge, County Clerk

Approved as to form:

M. Qader A. Baig, County Attorney



ROCKDALE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE BYLAWS and RULES OF PROCEDURE

Purpose

The Economic Development Task Force shall advise and make recommendations and advise the County Board of Commissioners on matters related to economic development which include but are not limited to economic development incentives, current business climate, business attraction and retention, marketing opportunities, and other issues that may promote economic development. The Task Force shall assist with providing input and expertise on ways to encourage and help businesses and individuals to invest in the County, create jobs, and increase the tax base, which ultimately leads to a better quality of life for all residents.

II. Powers and Duties

- A. The Economic Development Task Force shall:
 - Work in a coordinated fashion, respect all points-of-view and, in carrying out its duties and tasks, shall adhere to all the County's Adopted Plans as well as the values and mission of the County.
 - 2. Be knowledgeable local business, financial, or development related individuals that have unique insights on the best ways to promote continued investment in the County.
 - 3. Review and understand the County's current economic development incentives.
 - 4. Advise on other tools that could be used to encourage economic development opportunities.
 - 5. Serve as Leaders of Rockdale County and promote the County to their contacts.
 - 6. Provide business leads, potential partnerships, and contacts to County staff where appropriate.

II. Composition and Design

- A. Members: The Economic Development Task Force shall be composed of the following members:
 - a. Chairman of the Rockdale County Development Authority, or his/ her designee;
 - b. Tax Commissioner, or his/her designee;
 - c. Executive Director of the Conyers Rockdale Economic Development Council;
 - d. Chief of Staff;
 - e. Chief Tax Assessor;
 - f. Director of Planning & Development;

- g. Director of Water Resources;
- h. Director of Public Relations; and
- Director of Finance.

III. Officers

- A. The Officers shall be as follows:
 - Chair: The Chairman of Rockdale County will appoint the Chair, who will serve for one year or until a successor is appointed. The Chair shall preside over all meetings. The Chair shall appoint any committees found necessary to facilitate any business before the Task Force.
 - 2. Vice Chair: The Chair shall appoint one of its members as Vice Chair, who will serve for one year or until a successor is appointed. The Vice Chair shall serve as Acting Chair of the Task Force in the absence of the Chair.

IV. Meetings

A. Meetings of the Economic Development Task Force shall be held at the call of the Chair and at such other times as the Task Force may determine.

VI. Minutes and Agendas

- 1. Minutes: The Rockdale County Economic Development Task Force shall keep minutes of its proceedings. These minutes shall, at a minimum, include the names of the members present at the meeting and a description of each proposal made. Summary Minutes will be prepared by the Chair, his/her designee.
- 2. Agenda: The Chair shall prepare the agenda for each meeting.

VII. By-Laws

A. These rules shall not be repealed, amended or modified except by majority action of the Rockdale County Board of Commissioner's at a properly noticed Commission meeting.

VIII. Severability

A. In the event that any portion of these bylaws is found to be invalid, the remaining portion shall stand.