

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 11 - 19

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION TO THE WYOMING BUSINESS COUNCIL UNDER THE BUSINESS READY COMMUNITY GRANT AND LOAN PROGRAM FOR A COMMUNITY READINESS PROJECT ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COUNTY OF CONVERSE

FOR THE PURPOSE OF: Applying for Community Readiness Grant for up to \$3,000,000.00 for infrastructure to prepare the John Lambert Subdivision for development.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the County of Converse desires to participate in the Business Ready Community Grant and Loan Program to assist in financing this project; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the County of Converse recognizes the need for commercial development that creates a use intensity transition between residential neighborhoods and light industrial uses. The property is zoned B-2 General Business Zoning District which is intended to provide for this transition and believes this project will address those needs; and

WHEREAS, the public benefits will include: the expansion of infrastructure into a currently undeveloped space on the east side of town; the creation of easily accessible, shovel ready lots for development; attraction of retail and commercial businesses and public spaces; and construction of greatly needed workforce housing; and

WHEREAS, the specific goals and measures of success of this project, by putting in this infrastructure, will be the expectation that four business will go into this development in the next five years; and

WHEREAS, the Business Ready Community Grant and Loan Program requires that certain criteria be met, as described in the Wyoming Business Council's Rules governing the program, and, to the best of our knowledge, this application meets those criteria; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body for the County of Converse has a comprehensive operation and maintenance plan including projected expenses and project income sources extending the life of the assets; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body for the County of Converse will use the revenue recaptured from this project for the following economic development purposes: 25% of all funds recaptured through the sale or lease of property in this development will be returned to the WBC up to \$750,000.00, while the remainder will be put into a special account and will be used for future economic development projects; and

WHEREAS, in the event of any project cost overruns, the County of Converse will provide funding in the amount necessary to complete the project utilizing County General Funds; and

WHEREAS, the County of Converse is working in partnership with the City of Douglas and the Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, the County of Converse held a public hearing on August 6, 2019 to solicit testimony from citizens, and gave full consideration to all comments received; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the County of Converse acknowledges that the Wyoming Preference Act (W.S. § 16-6-201 through 16-6-206) will be adhered to throughout the project; and

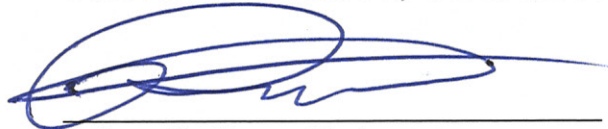
WHEREAS, the governing body of the County of Converse will follow state procurement standards inclusive of W.S. § 16-6-101, et seq.,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE County of Converse, that a grant application in the amount of up to \$3,000,000.00 be submitted to the Wyoming Business Council for consideration of assistance in funding the Project to extend infrastructure to the John Lambert Subdivision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Converse County Commission Chair, Robert G. Short is hereby designated as the authorized representatives of Converse County to act on behalf of the Governing Body on all matters relating to this grant application.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th day of August 2019.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CONVERSE COUNTY, WYOMING:



Robert G. Short, Chairman

ATTEST:


Lucile K Taylor, County Clerk



CERTIFICATE

I, Lucile K. Taylor, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the County of Converse at a public meeting held on August 7, 2019, and that the meeting was held accordingly to law; and that said Resolution has been duly entered in the official minutes of the County of Converse

