



Approved as to Form and Legality

Date Adopted

Committee
Economic Development/
Public Works

August 15, 2018

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A JOINT APPLICATION FOR AN INNOVATION CHALLENGE PLANNING GRANT FROM THE NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND AUTHORIZING A PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH THE SALEM COMMUNITY COLLEGE

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Economic Development Authority ("NJEDA") has issued a Request for Proposals for the Innovation Planning Challenge ("the Challenge") which is open to the County to apply for a grant award for its economic development efforts; and

WHEREAS, Salem County has determined to apply for the Challenge to enable the creation of a Strategic Economic Strategy for the County; and

WHEREAS, a requirement of the Challenge is that the County establish a formal partnership with an institution of higher education; and

WHEREAS, Salem County is determined to join with Salem Community College Center for Business and Industry as the preparer and partner in this application; and

WHEREAS, a scope of work for the Strategic Economic Strategy will include components dedicated to economic resiliency, County economic resources and reuse of brownfield properties, market analysis, infrastructure needs, and an implementation strategy; and

WHEREAS, Salem County and the Salem Community College Center for Business and Industry are required to provide a 20% match of the anticipated funding, the vast majority of which is comprised of in-kind contributions by both entities; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that this application will have negligible budgetary impact for Salem County and the College beyond personnel time and incidentals.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Salem that it hereby authorizes the submission of a proposal to the New Jersey Economic Development Authority as the lead entity for the Innovation Planning Challenge;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County is authorized to execute a partnership agreement with Salem Community College in accordance with the requirements of the Innovation Planning Challenge;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED and directed that the Freeholder Director and Clerk of the Board are authorized to execute the documents necessary to fulfill the agreement with Salem Community College and to execute the documents for the Innovation Planning Challenge application and if successful to execute the award documents with NJ EDA.



CHARLES V. HASSLER/ Deputy Freeholder Director
Chair, Economic Development/ Public Works Committee

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Salem on August 15, 2018.



BRENDA P. BANKS
Clerk of the Board

RECORD OF VOTE

FREEHOLDER	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RESOLUTION MOVED	RESOLUTION SECONDED
L. Ware	✓					✓
C. Hassler	✓				✓	
B. Laury	✓					
S. Griscorn	✓					
M. DeCastro	✓					

✓ Indicates Vote

Department Initials _____