

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



Workforce Solutions Alamo (WSA) Amendment of Interlocal Agreement, Partnership Agreement and Board Appointments

**Economic Development Department
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SUMMARY



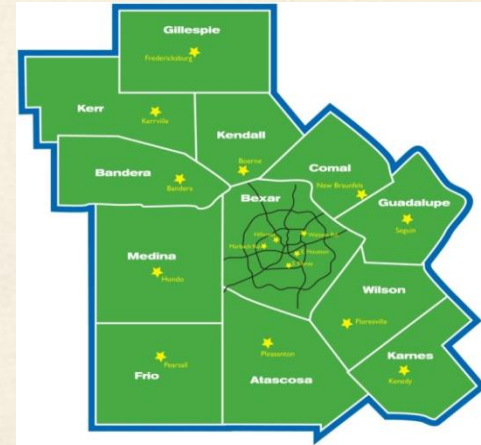
Staff recommends approval of:

- Third Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement
- Fourth Amendment to the Partnership Agreement
- Appointments to the WSA Board of Directors of:
 - 4 reappointments
 - 2 appointments to fill unexpired term
 - 3 new appointments
 - 1 appointments for future vacancies



BACKGROUND

- The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) provides workforce development funding services to employers and job seekers in Texas.
- TWC provides funding and services through 28 regional workforce boards, including the locally-created WSA.
- WSA serves San Antonio, Bexar County and 11 other counties (the “WSA Service Area”).



BACKGROUND (CONT)

- The WSA Board is a group of 25 individuals appointed by the City, Bexar County and Judges from the 11 other counties within the WSA Service Area, who represent businesses, education, economic development, community organizations and government.
- Board members are appointed to three-year terms.
- The WSA Board provides direction for all workforce activities in the WSA Service Area and manages an annual budget of approximately \$83 million in federal and state funding.

COMMITTEE OF SIX

- The City and 12 Counties of the WSA service area are parties to an Interlocal Agreement whereby they oversee the appointment of board members, planning, budgeting, administration and execution of WSA programs.
- The Chief Elected Officials (CEOs) established a “Committee of Six” to carry out a portion of their duties, including recommending budget approval the appointment of members to the WSA Board.

APPROVAL OF THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

On August 29th, the Committee of Six approved the Third Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement.

- Changes include:
 - Simplification and clarity of language,
 - Provides the Committee of Six the authority to appoint board members directly without City Council confirmation (or confirmation by Bexar County Commissioner's Court or by the Area Judges) as allowed by State law, and
 - Removal of term limits of WSA board members.

APPROVAL OF THE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

On October 19th, the Committee of Six approved the Fourth Amendment to the Partnership Agreement.

- Changes include:
 - Brings the Partnership Agreement into alignment with the changes to the third amendment to the Interlocal Agreement,
 - Simplification and clarity of language, and
 - Flexibility to adapt to new State and Federal law without a subsequent amendment to the agreement

WSA BOARD APPOINTMENTS

On October 19, 2016 the Committee of Six recommended the following individuals be appointed to serve on the WSA Board of Directors:

Reappointments:

- Mary Batch, Place 1, Business
- Porter Dillard, Place 11, Business
- Elizabeth Lutz, Place 15, CBO
- Mark Luft, Place 20, Economic Development

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On October 19, 2016 the Committee of Six recommended the following individuals be appointed to serve on the WSA Board of Directors:

Appointments to fill unexpired terms:

- Baldemar R. Hernandez, Place 6, Business (pending resignation of current member)

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On October 19, 2016 the Committee of Six recommended the following individuals be appointed to serve on the WSA Board of Directors:

New Appointments:

- Monty B. Small, Place 4, Business
- Dr. Mark Niederauer, Place 12, Business
- Dr. Cynthia Teniente-Matson, Place 18, Education

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On October 19, 2016 the Committee of Six recommended the following individuals be appointed to serve on the WSA Board of Directors:

Appointments for future vacancies:

- Carolyn King, Business, Methodist Healthcare System of San Antonio

COUNCIL ACTION

- The current WSA Partnership Agreement requires consideration and consensus of San Antonio City Council, Bexar County Commissioners Court, and the other 11 Area County Judges for the Third Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement, the Fourth Amendment to the Partnership Agreement as well as for appointments to the WSA Board.



RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the Workforce Solutions Alamo (WSA) Third Amended Interlocal Agreement, the Fourth Amended Partnership Agreement, and approval of the appointments to the WSA Board of Directors as recommended by the Committee of Six for submission to the Texas Workforce Commission for certification.

