A Resolution

NO. _____

AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR DEFENSE ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE GRANT AND COMMITTING \$1.2 MILLION IN CITY MATCHING FUNDS

WHEREAS the Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth (NASJRB) is proposing to consolidate its Family Life Skill Center, College Campus Office and classrooms open to students from the general public, Legal Services Center, and Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society to support Fort Worth's military families, residents, and veterans; and

WHEREAS the consolidation will better service Fort Worth's military families, residents, and veterans by providing improved space for programs that enhance the quality of life, family resiliency, and educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS NASJRB has identified a 17,000 square foot vacant structure on base to renovate for the combined services at an estimated cost of \$5.9 million; and

WHEREAS the City of Fort Worth (City) is a defense community as defined in Texas Local Government Code 397.001 and is eligible to apply for the Defense Economic Assistance Adjustment Grant (DEAAG) through the Office of the Governor, Texas Military Preparedness Commission; and

WHEREAS NASJRB has requested that the City apply for the DEAAG in the amount of \$1.7 million to be matched by \$3.0 million in Department of Defense funds and \$1.2 million in City funds for the renovation of the Service Building; and

WHEREAS the provision of family life and education services for Fort Worth residents and veterans is a valid public purpose for the use of City funds; and

WHEREAS the City desires to partner with NASJRB in the renovations of the Service Building as a military-friendly community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS, THAT:

The City Manager is authorized to apply for DEAAG for the renovation of the Service Building in the amount of \$1.7 million and to commit a local match of \$1.2 million in City funds, to be matched by \$3.0 million in Department of Defense funds.

Adopted this _____ day of _____ 2021.

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Ronald P. Gonzales, City Secretary