RESOLUTION NO. R-2024-121

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS, APPROVING CHANGES TO THE BASTROP ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S REVOLVING LOAN FUND (RLF) PROGRAM; REPEALING ALL RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Bastrop Economic Development Corporation ("BEDC") is a public instrumentality and non-profit industrial development corporation duly established and operating under Local Government Code, Chapters 501 and 505 *et seq.*, as amended, known as the Development Corporation Act of 1979 (the "Act"), and is acting with the approval of the governing body of the City of Bastrop, Texas (the "City"); and

WHEREAS, on July 24, 2023, the BEDC established a "Revolving Loan Fund Program" with funding from Roscoe Bank in Bastrop, the purpose of which is to provide Bastrop businesses with access to capital so they may achieve positive public outcomes while creating a direct overall improvement and stimulus to the local economy; and

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2024, the BEDC further modified the Program by establishing a review committee to evaluate applications to the Revolving Loan Fund Program; and

WHEREAS, the BEDC currently wishes to modify certain Program policies by changing the role of the BEDC from a loan originator to a loan guarantor, with BEDC funds held in a restricted account for payment to Roscoe in the event of applicant default; and

WHEREAS, Roscoe Bank has considered this modification to the Program and agrees with the reestablishment of BEDC and Bank roles as provided; and

WHEREAS, at the August 26, 2024, BEDC board meeting, the BEDC found that this modification to the Revolving Loan Fund Program structure will further benefit Bastrop businesses and the overall economy, and is in the best interests of the BEDC and the City of Bastrop.

WHEREAS, the City has reviewed the August 26, 2024, actions of the BEDC related to the program noted herein, has considered and evaluated the program and its polices and procedures, and has found it meritorious of the City Council's authorization and approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS:

<u>Section 1</u>. Findings and Determination. The City Council hereby finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the BEDC and the City to approve the modification of the Revolving Loan Fund Program as provided in the policy and other Program documents provided hereto as Exhibit "A."

<u>Section 2</u>. Open Meeting. The City Council hereby finds and determines that the meeting at which this Resolution was passed was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place and purpose at which it was read was given in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

Section 3. Any prior resolution of the City Council in conflict with the provisions contained in this Resolution are hereby repealed and revoked.

<u>Section 4</u>. Should any part of this Resolution be held to be invalid for any reason, the remainder shall not be affected thereby, and such remaining portions are hereby declared to be severable.

DULY RESOLVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Bastrop this 17th day of September 2024.

	APPROVED:
	Lyle Nelson, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Irma Parker, City Secretary	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Alan Bojorquez, City Attorney	

Exhibit "A"BEDC Revolving Loan Fund Program Policy