

Regular Tomball EDC

Agenda Item

Data Sheet

Meeting Date: August 11, 2026

Topic:

Consideration and possible action by Tomball EDC to approve out-of-state travel for FY 2026-2027 for TEDC Staff to attend conferences and trainings for professional and business development purposes.

Background:

Approval is requested for out-of-state travel by TEDC staff to attend conferences and professional training included in the proposed 2026-2027 Fiscal Year Budget. Ongoing professional development helps staff remain current on economic development best practices, legislative and regulatory changes, emerging industry trends, and innovative tools that can improve the services provided to Tomball businesses and residents. These conferences also provide opportunities to learn from nationally recognized experts and to network with peer communities, allowing staff to bring proven ideas and successful strategies back to Tomball. In addition, attendance at the International Economic Development Council (IEDC) annual conference enables staff to earn the continuing education credits required to maintain the Certified Economic Developer (CECd) professional designation, ensuring the TEDC continues to be served by qualified and nationally recognized economic development professionals.

The 2026-2027 Out of State conference list is below:

Greater Houston Partnership – Regional Delegation

Renewable Energy (RE+)
November 16 -19, 2026
Las Vegas, NV

International Economic Development Council (IEDC):

2026 Annual Conference
October 25-28, 2026
New Orleans, Louisiana

Leadership Summit
February 7-9, 2027
Washington, D.C.

Origination: Tiffani Wooten, Assistant Director, Tomball Economic Development Corporation

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of out-of-state travel for FY 2026-2027.

Party(ies) responsible for placing this item on agenda: Tiffani Wooten

FUNDING (IF APPLICABLE)

Are funds specifically designated in the current budget for the full amount required for this purpose?

Yes: X No: _____ If yes, specify Account Number: # Training _____

If no, funds will be transferred from account # _____ To account # _____

Signed	_____	Approved by	_____
	Staff Member-TEDC		Executive Director-TEDC
	Date		Date