

# Regular Tomball EDC Agenda Item Data Sheet

Meeting Date: August 13, 2024

## Topic:

Consideration and possible action by Tomball EDC to approve out-of-state travel for FY 2024-2025 for TEDC Staff to attend conferences and trainings for professional and business development purposes.

## Background:

Approval for out-of-state travel is being requested by TEDC staff to attend conferences and training courses in accordance with the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget. Continuing education is required for staff to stay current with leading-edge strategies and techniques, legislative issues, and new technologies impacting the industry. Economic development conferences are excellent resources for learning from economic development experts on issues, trends, and best practices. Additionally, attendance at IEDC and SEDC Annual Conferences allow TEDC staff to earn recertification points to maintain their CEcD designation.

The 2024-2025 Out of State conference list is below:

## International Economic Development Council (IEDC):

2025 Leadership Summit  
February 23-25, 2025  
Washington, DC

2025 Annual Conference  
September 14-17, 2025  
Detroit, MI

## American Planning Association (APA):

2025 National Planning Conference  
March 29-April 1, 2025  
Denver, CO

## Southern Economic Development Council (SEDC):

2025 SEDC Annual Conference  
August 10-12, 2025  
Oklahoma City, OK

**Origination:** Kelly Violette, Executive Director, Tomball Economic Development Corporation

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends approval of out-of-state travel for FY 2024-2025.

**Party(ies) responsible for placing this item on agenda:** Kelly Violette

**FUNDING (IF APPLICABLE)**

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

Yes:  No:  If yes, specify Account Number: # Seminars and  
Conference Registration

If no, funds will be transferred from account # \_\_\_\_\_ To account # \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Approved by \_\_\_\_\_  
Staff Member-TEDC Date Executive Director-TEDC Date