Resolution

Northeast Florida Regional Council

2021-11

Approving the 2021 Update to the Northeast Florida Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy

WHEREAS, the Northeast Florida Regional Council is the District Organization for the Economic Development Administration (EDA) designated Economic Development District (EDD) in Northeast Florida, and as such is charged with:

- The development of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for the Region, as appropriate;
- Utilization of the CEDS and CEDS process to foster collaborative regional economic development efforts:
- Providing EDA program outreach to local member governments to facilitate project development and implementation of strategies to ensure the Region's capacity to provide the necessary infrastructure and workforce to attract private investment and encourage the creation and expansion of higher-paying-jobs;
- Implementation of the Action Plan of the CEDS including grant writing, planning and technical assistance, other economic development assistance, training, travel, and other related activities, if directly associated to CEDS implementation;
- Coordination of federal, state, local and not-for-profit resources/funds to optimize the implementation of the CEDS action plan and progress toward attainment of regional goals, objectives, and vision; and

WHEREAS, a 2021 update to the Northeast Florida Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy was considered and approved by the CEDS Committee and posted for public comment for at least 30 days ending November 3, 2021 and no comments were received;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors hereby approves the 2021 update to the Northeast Florida Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

Unanimously adopted by the Northeast Florida Regional Council in a regular meeting assembled in the City of

Jacksonville, the 4th day of November 2021.

Larry Harv President