

# **City of Scottsbluff, Nebraska**

**Tuesday, January 20, 2015**

**Regular Meeting**

## **Item Resolut.1**

**Council to consider a Resolution supporting the future implementation of the Thomas P. Miller and Associates Regional Economic Development Plan.**

**Staff Contact: Rick Kuckkahn, City Manager**

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING SUPPORT FOR AND FUTURE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE THOMAS P. MILLER AND ASSOCIATES REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN.**

**WHEREAS,** Thomas P. Miller and Associates (TPMA) has completed work on the regional economic development plan. The plan provides a recommended list of target industries, strategic planning community assessments as well as recommendations for site selection and improvements to the current economic development processes. Throughout the planning process TPMA focused on planning for a regional approach and encompassed input and analyses from Gering, Terrytown, Scottsbluff and the rest of Scotts Bluff County. The importance of a regional approach was considered one of the most important aspects of using this plan to its fullest potential.

**WHEREAS,** The plan is a product of interviews and conversations with public, private, civic, and institutional stakeholders to identify the important issues, clarify perceptions and suggest opportunities. Citizens provided input through two public meetings. TPMA is confident that the region's partners and stakeholders viewpoints and suggestions guided the foundation of this plan.

**WHEREAS,** The plan is a dynamic document which opens the door to elevating the region's economic development effort and building on the many assets and advantages already in place and being developed. This plan should be viewed as a guide to "tweak" as the region's stakeholders see fit. It is not a rigid, static step by step approach rather it is intended as a guide to build on, modify. This is a plan where the region can capitalize on the momentum of community interest and successfully begin the process of implementation.

**WHEREAS,** The immediate need is to have region - wide acceptance of the plan.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF SCOTTSBLUFF, NEBRASKA THAT:** The Scottsbluff City Council accept, adopt, approve and support to move the plan to implementation understanding that the plan is not the final word but a framework to build on.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF SCOTTSBLUFF, NEBRASKA, THAT:**  
In the future the City Council recommends forming a group to guide the process of implementation. A group that represents a range of interests impacting the regions preparedness to encourage new growth, expand or improve what we have and champion the plan.

This Resolution to be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF JANUARY 2015.**

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Randy Meininger, Mayor

Attest:

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Cynthia Dickinson, City Clerk

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