

RESOLUTION No. 20191008.2**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY, AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY, FLORIDA TO APPROVE THE PANAMA CITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN.**

WHEREAS, the City of Panama City, Florida is adopting the Economic Development Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Panama City, Florida to provide Panama City residents a higher quality of life before and after a major disaster by increasing public and private amenities and addressing pre-existing and disaster-induced blight will provide the base of growth; and

WHEREAS, the City of Panama City, Florida to provide Panama City residents a diversified economy by expanding the employment base across sectors, particularly those that are traded and support the growth of small businesses; and

WHEREAS, the City of Panama City, Florida to provide more access to economic opportunities to increase economic performance and equity by reducing barriers to upward mobility;

WHEREAS, the City of Panama City, Florida will focus on being the premier city of the Florida Panhandle by rejuvenating the City's infrastructure and institutions to attract new residents, businesses and tourism; and

WHEREAS, the City of Panama City, Florida will seize opportunity to pursue several immediate strategies that lay the groundwork for longer-term success.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Commission of the City of Panama City as follows:

SECTION 1: The City of Panama City is authorized to reduce and prevent blight through code enforcement and support building improvements.

SECTION 2: The City of Panama City is authorized to improve Housing in Existing Neighborhoods through a suite of programs including down payment assistance, owner-occupied rehabilitations, infill redevelopment, financial education, and clearing title issues.

SECTION 3: The City of Panama City is authorized to incentivize Catalytic Development by making public land available and partnering with private developers.

SECTION 4: The City of Panama City is authorized to support Small Businesses by helping them navigate regulatory requirements and access additional resources that can

reduce the costs of and barriers to business start-up and growth and to help drive the tourism and hospitality sector.

SECTION 5: The City of Panama City is authorized to provide Wraparound Services at Schools by expanding the suite of educational, psychological and social services offered to students.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Commission of City of Panama City, this the 8th day of October, 2019.

CITY OF PANAMA CITY, FLORIDA
A Municipal Corporation

By: _____
Greg Brudnicki, Mayor

ATTEST:

T.D. Hachmeister, City Clerk - Treasurer