

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
City Manager's Office
Interdepartmental Correspondence**

To: Mayor and City Council

Through: Terry M. Brechtel, City Manager

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Subject: Resolution by Starbright Industrial Development Corporation

DATE: January 29, 2004

Summary and Recommendation:

Resolution by the City of San Antonio, Texas, Starbright Industrial Development Corporation authorizing the Executive Director to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Texas Historic Commission, execute construction and house moving contracts, provide budget and authorize payment to complete obligation of Starbright Agreement dated May 22, 2003.

Staff recommends approval.

Background Information:

The location for the Starbright Projects was originally part of a five-league, Spanish land grant, given to Lt. Colonel Juan Ignacio Perez in 1793, for his military service and loyalty to the crown. The Perez Stone Rancho stayed in the same family and used as a farm and ranch until recently purchased by the IDC.

THC has several sites on the property previously documented as State Archeological Landmarks. The IDC contracted the University of Texas at San Antonio Center for Archeological Research to conduct any and all archeological investigations, archival research, and photographic documentation of all the property acquired by the IDC. All of the archeological research on the entire Toyota site has been completed. Three sites will require additional investigation should construction occur near the location of site 41BX1473, on the east end of the property where the Medina River and Leon Creek meet, 41BX662, identified at the kiln site near the Medina River, and 41BX832, which is a ravine just north of the Medina River.

The Starbright agreement, executed May 22, 2003, requires that presence of any cultural and historical resources not impair the construction and operation of the Toyota project. This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between City, Starbright IDC and THC will allow construction of the project site to continue.

The MOU will require the following from the IDC: perform a Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) on the Walsh Ranch complex and submit to THC; make materials from the Perez Stone Rancho and certain associated buildings available for salvage and recycling for one week after acceptance of HABS; Move, stabilize and weatherize the Pigeon Barn and Pigeon Roost structures; apply two State of Texas historical markers to be placed in locations reviewed and approved by THC.

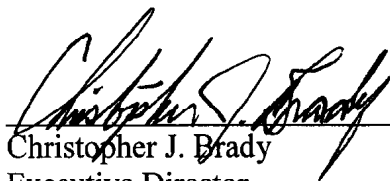
This resolution will authorize the Executive Director to complete the tasks required in the MOU.

Financial Impact:

The IDC will fund all of the demolition, relocation of structures, HABS, placement of historical markers, and associated professional services. Fees will be paid from the City of San Antonio, Texas Starbright Industrial Development Corporation Contract Revenue Bonds, Series 2003 bond proceeds. There is no impact to the City's operating budget.


Coordination:

This ordinance has been coordinated with the City Attorney's Office and the Planning Department.



Christopher J. Brady
Executive Director

Approved:



Terry M. Brechtel
City Manager