

# LARAMIE COUNTY CLERK BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM PROCESSING FORM

1. DATE OF PROPOSED ACTION: January 7, 2014

2. AGENDA ITEM: Appointments Bids/Purchases Claims  
Contracts/agreements/leases **Grants** Land Use: Variances/Board App/Plats  
Proclamations **Public Hearings**/Rules & Reg's Reports & Public Petitions  
Resolutions Other

3. DEPARTMENT: Grants

APPLICANT: "Project Roger"/Cheyenne LEADS AGENT: Sandra Newland

4. DESCRIPTION: Public Hearing and consideration of a resolution regarding the submission of a loan application by Laramie County to the Wyoming Business Council for a Business Ready Community/Business Committed Loan in the amount of \$5,000,000 on behalf of the Cheyenne Laramie County Corporation for Economic Development (LEADS) to recruit "Project Roger," a manufacturing company looking to located an approximately 100,000 square foot manufacturing and assembly facility in the Cheyenne Business Parkway.

5. DOCUMENTATION: 2 Originals

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<u>Commissioner</u>		<u>Signatures</u>
Ash _____		Co Attny _____
Hasenauer _____		Assist Co Attny _____
Holmes _____		Grants Manager _____
Humphrey _____		Outside Agency _____
Thompson _____		
Action _____		
Postponed/Tabled _____		

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A LOAN APPLICATION TO THE WYOMING BUSINESS COUNCIL/BUSINESS READY COMMUNITY GRANT AND LOAN PROGRAM FOR A BUSINESS COMMITTED LOAN IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000,000.00, ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF LARAMIE COUNTY, WYOMING**

**FOR THE PURPOSE OF:** REQUESTED FUNDS WILL BE FOR CONSTRUCTING A MANUFACTURING AND ASSEMBLY FACILITY FOR ENABLING PROJECT ROGER TO RELOCATE THEIR OPERATIONS TO LARAMIE COUNTY.

**WITNESSETH**

**WHEREAS,** the Governing Body for Laramie County desires to participate in the BUSINESS READY COMMUNITY GRANT AND LOAN PROGRAM to assist in financing this project; and

**WHEREAS,** the Governing Body of the Laramie County recognizes this project will create jobs, development and public benefits and/or improve infrastructure within the boundaries of Laramie County; and

**WHEREAS,** the BUSINESS READY COMMUNITY GRANT AND LOAN PROGRAM requires that certain criteria be met, as described in the Wyoming Business Council's Rules governing the program, and to the best of our knowledge this application meets those criteria; and

**WHEREAS,** the Laramie County Commissioners held a public hearing on January 7th, 2014 to identify the economic development opportunity and determine all possible funding solutions for this project. The meeting examined private investment, other areas, and loan funding and solicited testimony from citizens who may feel that the use of the proposed funds might compete with existing business, and gave full consideration to all comments received; and

**WHEREAS,** Laramie County is working in partnership with Cheyenne/Laramie County Corporation for Economic Development (Cheyenne LEADS) and has been provided preliminary cost estimates and information for the project; and

**WHEREAS,** Cheyenne LEADS has engaged the private sector with the market area and gave full consideration to all comments received; and

**WHEREAS,** the public benefit of this project is increased payroll and property taxes and the consideration is the number of new employees and total payroll; and

**WHEREAS,** the method of repayment for this loan will be monthly payments from Cheyenne LEADS; Cheyenne LEADS will recover its monthly payments through a certain lease it will enter into on the facility with Project Roger, and

**WHEREAS,** the loan will be secured by a mortgage on the following described real property owned by Cheyenne LEADS, together with the improvements that will be constructed on the property:

Lot 1 Block 2, Cheyenne Business Parkway, Third Filing, Laramie County, Wyoming

or such other similarly situated property as is mutually agreeable to Cheyenne LEADS, Laramie County and Project Roger.

**WHEREAS,** Laramie County and Cheyenne LEADS will follow State Procurement Standards, inclusive of W.S. §15-1-113 and W.S. §16-6-101, *et seq.*, in the procurement, and construction of the manufacturing facility; and

**WHEREAS**, Laramie County and Cheyenne LEADS will comply the Wyoming Preference Act (Wyoming State Statute §16-6-201 through 16-6-206) and all related state statutes in the procurement and construction of the manufacturing facility throughout the project,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF LARAMIE COUNTY** that a loan application in the amount of \$5,000,000.00 be submitted to the Wyoming Business Council for consideration of assistance in funding Project Roger.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Sandra Newland or her successor in the position of Laramie County Grants Manager is appointed as agent of the Laramie County Board of Commissioners to execute and submit applications and certifications for these funds and to receive funds and implement the programs funded under this grant.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 7<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2014.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Diane Humphrey, Chairman

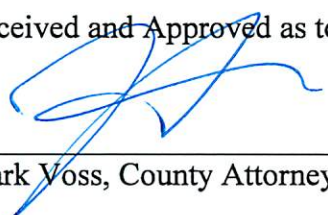
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ATTEST:

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Debbye K. Lathrop, Laramie County Clerk

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Date

Received and Approved as to Form only By:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
For: Mark Voss, County Attorney

12-30-13  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**CERTIFICATE**

I, Debbye Lathrop, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Laramie County Commissioners at a public meeting held on January 7, 2014, and that the meeting was held accordingly to law; and that said Resolution has been duly entered in the record of Laramie County.

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Date:

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 2013/2014 BUSINESS READY  
COMMUNITY/BUSINESS COMMITTED GRANT AND LOAN  
PROGRAM APPLICATION TUESDAY JANUARY 7, 2014.**

Laramie County intends to submit an application for a Business Ready Community/Business Committed Grant in the amount of \$8,000,000 and a Loan Application in the amount of \$5,000,000 and is seeking citizen input regarding this project. Requested funds will be for recruitment of Project Roger, a manufacturing company looking to locate an approximately 100,000 square foot manufacturing and assembly facility in the Cheyenne Business Parkway. Those wishing to comment on this project are encouraged to attend a public hearing on this subject on Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at the Laramie County Commissioner's meeting at 3:30pm at the Laramie County Courthouse, 310 West 19<sup>th</sup> Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming. Citizens can also submit written comments to:

Anja Bendel  
Director of Business Development  
Cheyenne LEADS  
PO Box 1045  
Cheyenne, WY 82003-1045

Or,

Sandra Newland  
Laramie County Grant Manager  
Laramie County  
309 West 20<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 3100  
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82001

The Wyoming Business Council is seeking grant and loan applications from counties, incorporated cities, towns, joint powers boards, and tribes for the 2013/2014 Business Ready Community (BRC) Grant and Loan Program. The intent of Business Ready Community program is to ready a community for new business development through economic or educational development projects which may include, but are not limited to, water, sewer, streets and roads, telecommunications, airports, purchase of rights of way, purchase of land, buildings, facilities, industrial and business parks, industrial site or business district development, amenities within a business or industrial park, landscaping, recreational and convention facilities, and or other physical projects.

The rules governing the BRC Grant and Loan Program are available through the Wyoming Business Council or <http://www.wyomingbusiness.org>.

All written comments must be received no later than 1:00 p.m. on Monday, January 6, 2014. Laramie County will take all comments made at the public hearing and written comments submitted on or before the deadline into consideration before considering a

resolution in support of submitting a grant and loan application for a Business Ready  
Community Project

Publish: December 31<sup>st</sup>, January 7<sup>th</sup>