

2015-0776

LEGISLATIVE FACT SHEET

DATE: October 14, 2015

BT OR RC NUMBER:

(Administration Bills)

SPONSOR (Department/Division/Agency/Council Member): Office of Economic Development (OED)

PURPOSE/SUMMARY:

The Economic Development Agreement (EDA) by and between JA-RU, Inc. and the City of Jacksonville was approved by Resolution 2013-711-A. The EDA contemplated the completion of construction of their new 400,000 square foot corporate headquarters, logistics and distribution center no later than December 31, 2015. Construction material delays through no fault of the company have occurred and JA-RU is requesting an amendment to Section 3.1 and 4.1 to the EDA executed on April 14, 2014 extending their construction completion date for purposes of the REV Grant and CEDF Grant by 60 additional days from December 31, 2015 to March 1, 2016 and amend the REV Grant final payout year from 2026 to 2027. JA-RU is a designer, manufacturer, importer and distributor of toys and hobby goods to a worldwide market founded in Jacksonville in 1957. The cost of the project is estimated to be \$13 million. The 50% REV Grant approved totaled up to \$436,000 payable over a 10 year period along with a CEDF Grant of up to \$60,000 to offset permitting fees associated with the development. The financial incentives approved were a critical component of JA-RU's decision to remain in Jacksonville.

APPROPRIATION : Total Amount Appropriated: \$ 0 as follows:

(Name of Fund as it will appear in title of legislation) _____

Name of Federal Funding Source: _____ Amount: \$ _____

Name of State Funding Source: _____ Amount: \$ _____

Name of City of Jax Funding Source: _____ Amount: \$ _____

Name of In-Kind Contribution Source: _____ Amount: \$ _____

Name of Bond Acct _____ Amount: \$ _____

Number _____

IMPACT - FINANCIAL/OTHER:

ACTION ITEMS:

Emergency?	Yes ___	No <u>X</u>	Justification: _____
Federal or State Mandates	Yes ___	No <u>X</u>	
Fiscal Year Carryover?	Yes ___	No <u>X</u>	_____
CIP Amendment?	Yes ___	No <u>X</u>	(Attach CIP form)
Contract/Agreement (C/A) Approval	Yes <u>X</u>	No ___	(Attach a copy only)
C/A negotiations on-going?	Yes ___	No <u>X</u>	
Oversight Department Required?	Yes ___	No <u>X</u>	Name of Dept. _____
Related RC?/BT?	Yes ___	No <u>X</u>	(Attach a copy)

Waiver of Code? Yes ___ No X (Identify Code Provision _____)
 Code Exception? Yes ___ No X (Identify Code Provision _____)
 Continuation Grant? Yes ___ No X
 Surplus Property Certification? Yes ___ No X (Attach a copy)
 Related Enacted Ordinances? Yes ___ No X Ord. # of Previous Ord. _____
 Report Required to City Council/Council Auditors
 Yes ___ No X Date _____ Frequency _____

ADMINISTRATION TRANSMITTAL

To: MBRC, c/o Roselyn Chall, Budget Division, Suite 325
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COUNCIL MEMBER / INDEPENDENT AGENCY / CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICER TRANSMITTAL

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 Suite 480, City Hall at St. James

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Legislation from Independent Agencies requires a resolution from the Independent Agency Board approving the legislation.

FACT SHEET IS REQUIRED BEFORE LEGISLATION IS INTRODUCED