

RESOLUTION NO. R2025-096

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YUMA, ARIZONA, SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION FOR “ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY (ACA) ECONOMIC STRENGTH PROJECT (ESP) GRANT” TO IMPLEMENT THE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Yuma (City) supports infrastructure improvements to promote sustainable economic development, enhance transportation access, and strengthen regional industries; and,

WHEREAS, through the Arizona Commerce Authority’s Economic Strength Project (ESP) grant program, assistance is available to the City to implement roadway construction and improvement projects that directly support economic development; and,

WHEREAS, the City seeks funding in the amount of \$345,240.00 for the construction of a new asphalt-paved road providing critical access to undeveloped sites near Interstate 8 and Avenue 4E, unlocking significant economic development opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, this roadway improvement project will provide essential access to a proposed facility, projected to generate 40 new jobs with an average wage of \$82,500 per year and attract up to \$113 million in capital investment to the region; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Yuma is committed to providing the required cash match contribution of \$38,360.00, which will come directly from the City’s General Fund, ensuring compliance with ESP grant requirements; and,

WHEREAS, the project will be completed within an anticipated construction timeline of three months, with long-term benefits for economic development, job creation, and sustainable infrastructure;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Yuma, Arizona as follows:

SECTION 1: The Yuma City Council has the legal authority to enter into an agreement with the Arizona Commerce Authority and authorizes the City Administrator to execute any and all documents related to the ESP grant application.

SECTION 2: The City Council has reviewed and strongly supports the City’s ESP grant application for the construction of a new asphalt-paved road providing direct access to the proposed facility and surrounding development sites.

SECTION 3: The City of Yuma is capable of providing the required \$38,360.00 cash match contribution from its General Fund to meet the funding requirements of the ESP grant.

SECTION 4: The City of Yuma will work with the Arizona Commerce Authority to meet established deadlines for entering into a grant or cooperative agreement.

SECTION 5: That the City Administrator is authorized to execute the grant and cooperative agreements with The Arizona Department of Transportation Multimodal Planning Division.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2025.

APPROVED:

Douglas J. Nicholls
Mayor

ATTESTED:

Lynda L. Bushong
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Richard W. Files
City Attorney