

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-14

A RESOLUTION TO AWARD PROFESSIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY AND MASTER PLANNING SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF EASLEY

WHEREAS, the City of Easley has been working with Pickens County, Easley Combined Utilities, and other partners to identify potential economic development partnerships and development in and around the City of Easley; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to procure a qualified Consultant to assist in the creation of a strategy and master plan to promote an increased tax base, private investment and job creation through mixed-use, high-tech industrial, corporate offices, retail, commercial, high density housing, and single-family housing for sites throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, the City issued a Request for Qualifications, per City procurement policy, for interested parties to complete the desired services and received six (6) proposals; and

WHEREAS, a committee of stakeholders reviewed the proposals and conducted interviews with three (3) finalists and unanimously agreed that Seamon Whiteside was the most qualified firm based on staff qualifications, professional experience, and approach.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF EASLEY, SOUTH CAROLINA: that the City of Easley agrees to award a contract to Seamon Whiteside for professional economic development strategy and master planning services for the City of Easley and authorizes the City Administrator, in consultation with the City Attorney, to finalize and execute any agreement and documentation related to this project.

First Reading: _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk