## RESOLUTION NO. 033-2018

## A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FUNDING TO THE GREATER WICHITA PARTNERSHIP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,000 TO HIRE A CONSULTANT TO DEVELOP COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC STRATEGY

WHEREAS, the Sedgwick County Board of County Commissioners recognizes that economic development is essential for the economic stability of Sedgwick County; and

WHEREAS, since 2004, Sedgwick County has supported the recruitment and development of businesses in the community through the Greater Wichita Economic Development Coalition ("GWEDC"); and

WHEREAS, the Greater Wichita Partnership ("GWP"), an organization created in 2015 to align and focus the activities of GWEDC and other economic development organizations in the region, and GWP will hire an outside consultant in to develop a comprehensive strategic agenda regarding economic development for the region at a cost of \$135,000 which will be split evenly between the City of Wichita, GWP and Sedgwick County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sedgwick County Board of County Commissioners, under its home rule authority granted by K.S.A. 19-101 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto, is authorized to support economic development in Sedgwick County.

## NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SEDGWICK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THAT:

- 1. The Sedgwick County Board of County Commissioners grants \$45,000.00 to GWP, payable from its General Fund economic development program budget for County budget year 2018 for the purpose of hiring a consultant to develop a comprehensive strategic agenda regarding economic develop in the region including Sedgwick County.
- 2. The Sedgwick County Board of County Commissioners finds that such an expenditure of funds is for a public purpose.
- 3. The Chairman is authorized to sign all necessary documents and agreements that support this objective, subject to review and approval of the Sedgwick County Counselor's Office.
- 4. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval and adoption by the Board of County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, and upon its publication once in the official county newspaper.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas,

Commissioners present and voting were:

DAVID M. UNRUH MICHAEL B. O'DONNELL, II DAVID T. DENNIS RICHARD RANZAU JAMES M. HOWELL

Dated this 215t day of tabuar

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** OF SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS

ATTEST:

KELLY B. ARNOLD, Coil

DAVID T. DENNIS, Chairman Commissioner, Third District

DAVID M. UNRUH, Chair Pro Tem

Commissioner, First District

MICHAEL B. O'DONNELL, II Commissioner, Second District

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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