



DU PAGE COUNTY

Economic Development Committee

Final Summary

421 N. COUNTY FARM ROAD
WHEATON, IL 60187
www.dupagecounty.gov

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

8:30 AM

Room 3500A

1. CALL TO ORDER

8:30 AM meeting was called to order by Chair Lynn LaPlante at 8:31 AM.

2. ROLL CALL

Member Yeena Yoo arrived late due to Judicial Public Safety running behind, she arrived at 8:40AM.

Also present were Members Paula Deacon Garcia & Cindy Cronin Cahill and Assistant States Attorney Nicholas Alfonso.

PRESENT	Covert, Galassi, LaPlante, and Rutledge
ABSENT	Childress
LATE	Yoo

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.A. [23-1212](#)

Economic Development Committee Minutes - Regular Minutes -Tuesday February 21, 2023

Attachments: [Economic Development Committee Minutes - Regular Meeting - Tuesday February 21, 2023](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED
MOVER:	Lynn LaPlante
SECONDER:	Sadia Covert
AYES:	Covert, Galassi, LaPlante, and Rutledge
ABSENT:	Childress
LATE:	Yoo

4. CHAIRWOMAN'S REMARKS - CHAIR LAPLANTE

Chair LaPlante welcomed the Committee Members and announced that she was appointed to the National Association of Counties, Arts & Culture Committee. The purpose of the Committee is to elevate the importance of the arts in local government and throughout our Country. The arts can be used by local government to promote economic development and provide solutions to the many challenges faced working to foster an environment where the arts can thrive to create more livable communities.

Chair LaPlante also will be sharing employment success stories in her County Board reports from the workNet DuPage Career Center. An article from the Daily Herald was shared with Committee Members on assistance from the Center to help Ukrainian refugees find stable employment and pursue new careers. The Chair will be working closely with staff to help share these stories and information on workNet Career Center services.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were offered.

6. INCUMBENT WORKER TRAINING

6.A. [23-1213](#)

Incumbent Worker Training Memo - Aqueity

Attachments: [Board Memo Aqueity PY 2023](#)

RESULT:	ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE
MOVER:	Lynn LaPlante
SECONDER:	Sadia Covert

6.B. [23-1214](#)

Incumbent Worker Training Memo - Mindsight

Attachments: [IWT Approval - Board Memo \(5K+\) - Mindsight](#)

RESULT:	ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE
MOVER:	Lynn LaPlante
SECONDER:	Sadia Covert

6.C. [23-1215](#)

Incumbent Worker Training Memo - Koi CComputers, Inc.

Attachments: [IWT Approval - Board Memo \(5K+\) - Koi Computers Inc Final](#)

RESULT:	ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE
MOVER:	Lynn LaPlante
SECONDER:	Sadia Covert

7. AUTHORIZATION TO TRAVEL

7.A. [23-1216](#)

Authorization for the Director of Workforce Development to attend the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Summit. Held in East Peoria, Illinois from May 11, 2023 to May 12, 2023. Expenses to include registration, transportation, lodging, and per diems for a total not to exceed \$705.08.

Attachments: [Director, Workforce Development Travel Auth_Redacted](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED AT COMMITTEE
MOVER:	Lynn LaPlante
SECONDER:	Sadia Covert

7.B. [23-1217](#)

Authorization for the Workforce Board Manager to attend the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Summit. Held in East Peoria, Illinois from May 11, 2023 to May 12, 2023. Expenses to include registration, transportation, lodging, and per diems for a total not to exceed \$402.32.

Attachments: [Workforce Board Manager Travel Auth_Redacted](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED AT COMMITTEE
MOVER:	Lynn LaPlante
SECONDER:	Sadia Covert

8. **BUDGET TRANSFERS**

[23-1218](#)

Budget Transfer - Transfer funds from account 2840-53820, Grant Services, to account 2840-53806, Software Licenses, in the amount of \$20,000.

Attachments: [Budget Transfer_redacted](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED
MOVER:	Lynn LaPlante
SECONDER:	Sadia Covert

9. **PRESENTATIONS**

9.A. [23-1219](#)

Hotel Relief Program Summary - Beth Marchetti, DuPage Convention & Visitors Bureau

Beth Marchetti, Director of the DuPage Convention & Visitors Bureau, provided outcomes for the Hotel Relief Program, funded through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to Committee members. Questions were taken from Committee Members.

9.B. [23-1220](#)

ARPA Marketing Campaign Update - Greg Bedalov & Beth Marchetti

Beth Marchetti, DCVB, and Rita Haake, Choose DuPage, walked the Committee through their objectives to market DuPage County as a safe place to conduct and operate business and draw in tourism for sporting and leisure events. They spoke to their campaign concept, target audience, marketing strategies, budget, and timelines. Questions were taken from Committee Members.

9.C. [23-1221](#)

Hosting & Bid Fee Funding Request - Beth Marchetti, DCVB

Beth Marchetti, DCVB, presented on the economic impact to DuPage County from tourism. Ms. Marchetti also emphasized the role sporting events has on drawing tourism to DuPage and the launch of the DuPage Sports Commission. Ms. Marchetti highlighted the events from 2022, and their impact, and presented a funding request to the Committee Members. Questions were taken and it was decided that this item will be on the April agenda for more discussion.

10. OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed.

11. NEW BUSINESS

Member Sheila Rutledge informed the Committee of a recent meeting regarding heat pump adoption as a sustainable energy strategy and the barriers to wide implementation. It was noted that one of those barriers is a lack of training among area contractors, and Member Rutledge indicated this may be an issue for the Economic Development Committee to explore further.

12. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned. at 9:18 AM.



Minutes

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File #: 23-1212

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2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT	Childress, Covert, Galassi, LaPlante, Rutledge, and Yoo
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3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. A. [23-0880](#)

Approval of Minutes of January 17, 2023

Attachments: [Economic Development Final Minutes 1.17.23](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED
MOVER:	Sheila Rutledge
SECONDER:	Yeena Yoo
AYES:	Childress, Covert, Galassi, LaPlante, Rutledge, and Yoo

4. CHAIR REMARKS - CHAIR LAPLANTE

Chair LaPlante welcomed Norm Peterson from the Argonne National Laboratory and thanked him for sharing his time to present to the Committee. The Chair also thanked Beth Marchetti, DuPage Convention & Visitors Bureau, and Greg Bedalov, Choose DuPage, for their continuing support.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was offered.

6. INCUMBENT WORKER TRAINING MEMO - INFORMATIONAL

6. A. [23-0881](#)

Incumbent Worker Training Memo - Borter Heating & Air Conditioning

Attachments: [IWT Board Memo- Borter Heating & Air Conditioning Company leg](#)

RESULT:	ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE
MOVER:	Lynn LaPlante
SECONDER:	Yeena Yoo

6. B. [23-0882](#)

Incumbent Worker Training Memo - CH Hanson Company

Attachments: [IWT Board Memo CH Hanson Leg](#)

RESULT: ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE

MOVER: Lynn LaPlante

SECONDER: Michael Childress

7. **RESOLUTIONS**7. A. [ED-R-0016-23](#)

DuPage Convention & Visitors Bureau Designation of Representation for Grant Purposes

Attachments: [DCVB Designation Letter](#)

RESULT: APPROVED AT COMMITTEE

MOVER: Sheila Rutledge

SECONDER: Michael Childress

AYES: Childress, Covert, Galassi, LaPlante, Rutledge, and Yoo

8. **PRESENTATION**

8. A. Paul Kearns - Argonne Lab Director

Norm Peterson, Argonne National Laboratory, presented to the Committee in place of Paul Kearns. Mr. Peterson gave an overview of the many functions of Argonne's state of the art facility and explained their goal of accelerating science and technology to drive U.S. prosperity and security. Mr. Peterson also spoke to the impact Argonne has on DuPage County including research collaboration, inclusive innovation with College of DuPage, educational programs and outreach, and \$49 million dollars spent on goods and services from companies that are located or incorporated in DuPage County. Questions were taken from Committee Members.

9. **OLD BUSINESS**

No old business was discussed.

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business was discussed.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 AM.



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Memo

Date: 2/17/2023
To: Economic Development Committee
From: Cynthia Allen Business Services Representative DuPage Workforce Development Division
RE: Incumbent Worker Training Application – Aqueity

Since 1996, Aqueity has delivered technology services and IT strategic consulting to a wide spectrum of small and medium size businesses in Chicago and the surrounding communities. They help clients achieve their business goals by implementing tools to boost efficiency, encourage productivity and drive revenue. Aqueity needs to maintain a highly qualified team through regular training and development to stay relevant in a constantly changing and quickly evolving technical market. This project will consist of 6 training classes addressing four areas of opportunity for Aqueity employees: Advanced Desktop Support, Windows Server Support, Network Technologies, and Cloud Computing.

Aqueity's desktop support team recognized a need to strengthen remote support skills due to the pandemic. The HDI-DAST certification desktop Advanced Support Technician training is industry recognized and designed for technical staff supporting IT. This training will cover how to better understand the technical needs of their clients, advise on technology, and perform advanced technical troubleshooting.

Security is a big area of concern for many companies right now given the global increase in security threats. The CISSP Bootcamp class covers cybersecurity training for network security engineering staff and management. The Fortinet NSE4 training will help trainees to better support network trouble shooting which includes firewall configuration, network administration and policies, encryption functions, security policies to better serve their client's needs.

Aqueity's book of business is trending towards more demand for Cloud services and support. The Microsoft Azure Administrator training class focuses on the cloud infrastructure of an organization. As technology evolves more toward cloud services, this training will provide the trainees to better advise, troubleshoot and support clients with Azure cloud environments.

Most accounting and finance work is done using excel. Aqueity has identified two training classes to help with creating financial reports, tracking of assets, and pricing. The Power BI Intro to excel Users will provide advanced skills to create financial reports to help aid in business analysis and decisions. The ONLC Excel Tips, Tricks and Timesavers is an advanced training to help employees manage large amounts of data and allow for better data analysis.

The six training classes will help drive productivity and profitability for both Aqueity and their clients. Trainees will receive industry recognized certifications upon completion or certificate of completion for training and may be considered for wage increases and/or promotions after formal performance reviews. If these trainings are not implemented Aqueity may lose talent and cannot effectively continue to support their clients or grow their new business initiatives, which will jeopardize the future of the company.

Notes:

- * Aqueity: 30 employees
- * Located in Lombard
- * Number of Incumbent Workers to be Trained: 12
- * Total Amount Approved: \$23,332.00



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Memo

Date: 03/01/2023
To: Economic Development Committee
From: Griffin Leininger, Lead Business Services Representative, DuPage Workforce Development Division
RE: Incumbent Worker Training Application – Mindsight

Mindsight is industry-recognized for delivering secure IT solutions and thought leadership that addresses clients' infrastructure and communications needs. Mindsight consultants serve emerging to enterprise organizations around the globe with expertise in risk management, data security, business growth, team collaboration, and technology optimization. Mindsight invests heavily in employees and managing processes to deliver consistent, predictable outcomes to clients. However, as the industry evolves at an ever-increasing pace, Mindsight has found it challenging to maintain this strategy of engineering excellence and high-level training without support, as they do not have the financial or training resources of a large IT firm. Mindsight identified the following trainings to combat industry trends, retain their existing employees, and retain/grow new business:

- 1) Developing Azure administrators how to plan, deliver, and manage virtual desktop experiences and remote apps, for any device, on Azure. Lessons include implementing and managing networking for Azure Virtual Desktop, configuring host pools and session hosts, creating session host images, implementing, and managing FSLogix, monitoring Azure Virtual Desktop performance and health, and automating Azure Virtual Desktop management tasks.
- 2) Teaching IT Professionals how to manage core Windows Server workloads and services using on-premises, hybrid, and cloud technologies. As well as how to implement and manage on-premises and hybrid solutions such as identity, management, compute, networking, and storage in a Windows Server hybrid environment.
- 3) Configure advanced Windows Server services using on-premises, hybrid, and cloud technologies. As well as how to leverage the hybrid capabilities of Azure, how to leverage the hybrid capabilities of Azure, how to migrate virtual and physical server workloads to Azure IaaS and how to secure Azure VMs running Windows Server.

Mindsight is trying to move into the 'Internet of Things' solutions and advanced knowledge of wireless solutions will help the employees be successful in this new arena. These trainings will add value to services for Mindsight's clients and also make the trainees more marketable.

As a result of these trainings, Mindsight anticipates up to \$300,000 in new revenue and up to four new customers over the course of the year. Mindsight will also be able to retain two engineers who might otherwise be reduced due to lack of work that matches their skillset before training. All trainees will receive a wage increase because of training. Mindsight is hopeful that they will also increase staff by two engineers because of the training.

Notes:

- * Mindsight — 56 Employees
- * Located in Downers Grove, IL
- * Number of Incumbent Workers to be Trained: 2
- * Total Amount Approved: \$5,700.00



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Memo

Date: 03/13/2023
To: Economic Development Committee
From: Griffin Leininger, Lead Business Services Representative, DuPage Workforce Development Division
RE: Incumbent Worker Training Application – Koi Computers, Inc.

Established in 1996, Koi Computers delivers high performance computing and information technology solutions to the local, State, and Federal government. Koi Computers configures and integrates custom COTS desktops, servers, storage, and high-performance computing turnkey solutions at the DuPage County facility in Downers Grove.

Koi computers is entering its 28th year in business, having used the same accounting software system from its inception. Unfortunately, this accounting system is antiquated, and is no longer supported. Koi purchased an initial Sage 100 user license, in an effort to review its functionality, and ensure that it would meet current requirements. Koi employees need training on how to operate this new system.

The new accounting software is more integrated, and will help to streamline business, while providing for the ability to scale operations and hire additional employees. This new software will allow for integration with the existing quoting tool, which will help in avoiding manual errors requiring re-entry of a quote into the Sales Order. Additionally, the Production Management module will help to create a Work Order for Koi's integration team, and help to track serial numbers at both the component and system levels. These enhancements will help Koi from not only the operational aspects of the business, but also from a customer support perspective. Further, it will provide for more detailed reporting, useful in data analytics, and in targeting areas for operational improvements.

Description of training includes:

Overview of all Sage 100 modules; User and Security Roles; How to e-mail customer and vendor documents; In-Depth training on General Ledger; In-Depth Training on Accounts Payable; In-depth Training on Accounts Receivable; In-Depth Training on Purchase Order; In-Depth Training on Sales Order; In-Depth Training on Inventory Management; Training on Bank Reconciliation; Training on how to import different types of information, such as customers, accounts, vendors, Open Accounts Receivable Invoices and Open Accounts Payable Invoices; and Production Management Module.

Trainees will receive a certification of completion.

Notes:

- * Koi Computers, Inc. — 7 Employees
- * Located in Downers Grove, IL
- * Number of Incumbent Workers to be Trained: 6
- * Total Amount Approved: \$14,720.00



Authorization to Travel

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File #: 23-1216

Agenda Date: 3/21/2023

Agenda #: 11.A.

OVERNIGHT/OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL REQUEST

Valid for overnight and/or out-of-state travel
Revised 1-08-2019

REQUEST DATE:	3/6/2023
NAME:	T. [REDACTED]
TITLE:	Director
DEPARTMENT:	HR - Workforce Development
ACCOUNT CODE:	5000-2840
PURPOSE OF TRIP: (explain fully the necessity of making the trip)	
Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity summit to discuss federal and state policies, allocations, and other issues pertaining to the Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act.	
DESTINATION: East Peoria, Illinois	
DATE OF DEPARTURE:	5/11/2023
DATE OF RETURN ARRIVAL:	5/12/2023
(Please include a detailed explanation if different from official business dates)	
Please indicate the estimated amount for each applicable expense.	
REGISTRATION:	\$300.00
TRANSPORTATION:	\$0.00
LODGING	\$155.68
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES (parking, mileage, etc.)	\$183.40
RENTAL CAR: (explain fully the necessity)	\$0.00
REFERENCE MATERIALS:	\$0.00
MEALS: (Per Diems)	\$66.00
TOTAL	\$705.08

REVIEWED BY AND DATE APPROVED:

Department Head: _____
(Signature) 0

Date: 3-15-23

Committee Name: _____
ALL OVERNIGHT TRAVEL

Date: _____

County Board: _____
ONLY OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL

Date: _____

Please note: If actual costs exceed the estimates, this form must be re-submitted for approval.



Authorization to Travel

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File #: 23-1217

Agenda Date: 3/21/2023

Agenda #: 11.B.

OVERNIGHT/OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL REQUEST

Valid for overnight and/or out-of-state travel
Revised 1-08-2019

REQUEST DATE:	3/8/2023
NAME:	[REDACTED]
TITLE:	Workforce Board Manager
DEPARTMENT:	HR - Workforce Development
ACCOUNT CODE:	5000-2840
PURPOSE OF TRIP: (explain fully the necessity of making the trip) Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity summit to discuss federal and state policies, allocations, and other issues pertaining to the Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act.	
DESTINATION: East Peoria, Illinois	
DATE OF DEPARTURE:	5/11/2023
DATE OF RETURN ARRIVAL:	5/12/2023
(Please include a detailed explanation if different from official business dates)	
Please indicate the estimated amount for each applicable expense.	
REGISTRATION:	\$0.00
TRANSPORTATION:	\$0.00
LODGING	\$155.68
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES (parking, mileage, etc.)	\$180.64
RENTAL CAR: (explain fully the necessity)	\$0.00
REFERENCE MATERIALS:	\$0.00
MEALS: (Per Diems)	\$66.00
TOTAL	\$402.32

REVIEWED BY AND DATE APPROVED:

Department Head: _____
(Signature)

Date: 3/15/23

Committee Name: _____
ALL OVERNIGHT TRAVEL

Date: _____

County Board: _____
ONLY OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL

Date: _____

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Budget Transfer

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File #: 23-1218

Agenda Date: 3/21/2023

Agenda #: 8.A.

23-1171

DuPage County, Illinois
BUDGET ADJUSTMENT
Effective October, 2022

From: 5000
Company #

WORKFORCE INVEST ACT PROG GRTS
From: Company/Accounting Unit Name

Accounting Unit	Account	Sub-Account	Title	Amount	Finance Dept Use Only Available Balance		Date of Balance
					Prior to Transfer	After Transfer	
2840	53820		GRANT SERVICES	\$ 20,000.00	2,801,158.52	2,781,158.52	3/10/23
Total				\$ 20,000.00			

To: 5000
Company #

WORKFORCE INVEST ACT PROG GRTS
To: Company/Accounting Unit Name

Accounting Unit	Account	Sub-Account	Title	Amount	Finance Dept Use Only Available Balance		Date of Balance
					Prior to Transfer	After Transfer	
2840	53806		SOFTWARE LICENSES	\$ 20,000.00	4,366.37	24,366.37	3/10/23
Total				\$ 20,000.00			

Reason for Request:

To provide funds for the renewal of various software licenses. These licenses are scheduled to renewed between March23 to Nov23.

[Redacted Signature]

Department Head

3/10/23
Date
3/13/23
Date

Activity

22-681006
(optional)

Chief Financial Officer

****Please sign in blue ink on the original form****

Finance Department Use Only			
Fiscal Year <u>23</u>	Budget Journal # _____	Acctg Period _____	
Entered By/Date _____	Released & Posted By/Date _____		

EO - 3/2/23
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File #: 23-1220

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File #: 23-1221

Agenda Date: 3/21/2023

Agenda #: 9.C.
