# RESOLUTION NO. 2007- 89

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY CONTRACT WITH MARSHALL REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT, INC. ON BEHALF OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

RECITALS BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA as follows:

WHEREAS, Marshall Real Estate Development, Inc. submitted an application to the Economic Development Agency requesting business incentives be considered; and

WHEREAS, The Economic Development Agency prepared a written report and presented same to the Board of County Commissioners on February 6, 2007; and

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners approved the incentive calculation not to exceed \$145,000 and directed the County Attorney's office to prepare an agreement; and

WHEREAS, Each County Commissioner confirms that the attached Economic Development Grant Agreement does not accrue to his/her personal benefit, and that in the County Commissioners' professional judgment, the Economic Development Grant Agreement is necessary to attract the proposed project; and

# NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA as follows:

Section 1. The above Recitals are incorporated by reference into the body of this Resolution, and such Recitals are adopted as Findings of Fact.

Section 2. The Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida (Board) approves the Economic Development Agency Contract with Marshall Real Estate Development, Inc.

Section 3. The Board of County Commissioners authorizes the County Administrator to execute the Economic Development Agency Contract with Marshall Real Estate Development, Inc.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA this Aday of March, 2007.

ATTEST:

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

Chairman

Clerk

RENDITION DATE 3 21 07

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT AGREEMENT

THIS ECONOMIC DEVELOP	2007, between St.	Johns County	, Florida ('	"County"), a
nalitical subdivision of the State	of Florida, located	at 4020 Lewis	Speedway, S	st. Augustine,
Florida, and Marshall Real Esta located at 101 Marshall Circle, St.	ate Development, Augustine, Florida	Inc. ("Marshail <sup>.</sup> 32086.	") a Florida	. Corporation,

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, Section 125.045, Florida Statutes, declares that a public purpose is served when a County makes economic development grants to private enterprises for the expansion of businesses existing in the County, or the attraction of new businesses to the County; and

WHEREAS, Section 125.045, Florida Statutes, authorizes Counties to spend public funds for economic development activities, including the making of economic development grants; and

WHEREAS, Section 125.045, Florida Statutes, expressly notes that such section of Florida Statutes, "must be liberally construed in order to effectively carry out the purposes of this section" of Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, consistent with Section 125.045, Florida Statutes, St. Johns County, Florida, through County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended, adopted and implemented a St. Johns County Business Incentive Program, for the purpose of providing economic development grants for private enterprises (including developers of speculative industrial/warehouse space) that meet both the criteria established under County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended, and receive the Board of County Commissioners' recommendation that an Economic Development Grant be awarded; and

WHEREAS, Marshall, on April 25, 2006 submitted to the County an Application for an Economic Development Grant under the criteria, methodology, and rationale set forth in County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the St. Johns County Public Economic Development Agency ("Public Agency") has reviewed Marshall's Submitted Application for an Economic Development under the criteria, methodology, and rationale set forth in County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Public Agency has issued a Report that evaluates Marshall's Submitted Application for an Economic Development Grant under the criteria, methodology, and rationale set forth in County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended.

NOW THEREFORE, the parties hereto, for, and in consideration of, the mutual covenants and conditions hereinafter expressed do hereby agree as follows:

#### Section 1. Findings.

The above Recitals are incorporated by reference into the body of this Agreement, and such Recitals are adopted as Findings of Fact.

## Section 2. Details and/or Parameters of Marshall's Project.

The details and/or parameters of Marshall's Project are contained in Marshall's Application for an Economic Development Grant, which was submitted to the County on April 25, 2006, and which is attached hereto, and incorporated herein.

## Section 3. Expedited Processing of Permitting.

To the extent necessary, and for as long as Marshall is engaged in constructing its facility, noted in Exhibit A, and located within the County, the County Administrator may, upon a written request from Marshall, direct County staff to expedite, to the extent both practicable and permissible, the County's permitting process to which this Grant Application applies.

#### Section 4. Duration of Agreement.

The duration of this Agreement runs from April 1, 2007, through and including, September 30, 2018.

### Section 5. Agreement May Not Be Assigned.

In light of the scope and rationale for this Agreement, Marshall may not assign, transfer, or sell any of the rights noted in this Agreement. Any attempt to assign, transfer, or sell any of the rights noted in this Agreement by Marshall, or an affiliate, subsidiary, or parent company of Marshall, is specifically prohibited. Should Marshall, or an affiliate, subsidiary, or parent company of Marshall assign, transfer, or sell any of the rights noted in this Agreement, such action, or attempted action, shall constitute an automatic termination of this Agreement, and will not require further notification to Marshall by the County, as to the automatic termination of this Agreement.

#### Section 6. Severability.

If any word, phrase, sentence, part, provision, subsection, section, article, exhibit, or other portion of this **Agreement**, or any application thereof to any person or circumstance is declared void, unconstitutional, or invalid for any reason, then such word, phrase, sentence, part, provision, subsection, section, article, exhibit, or other portion of this **Agreement**, or the proscribed application thereof, shall be severable, and all applications thereof, not having been declared void, unconstitutional, or invalid, shall remain in full force, and effect.

#### Section 7. Definitions.

- a) Board means the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida.
- b) County means St. Johns County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida.
- c) County Administrator means the County Administrator of St. Johns County, and/or designees of the County Administrator.
- d) County Fiscal Year means and shall reference the period of time from October 1 of one calendar year, up to, and including September 30 of the following calendar year.
- e) County Ordinance 2006-99 means St. Johns County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended, which among other things, adopted, and implemented a County Business Incentive Program, created a Public Economic Development Agency, and authorized expenditure of County Funds for Economic Development Grants.
- f) Full-time Equivalent Jobs mean full-time equivalent positions; as such, terms are consistent with terms used by the Florida Department of Labor and Employment Security, and the United States Department of Labor for purposes of unemployment compensation tax administration, and employment estimation, resulting directly for a Project in the County. This number shall not include temporary construction jobs involved in the construction of facilities for the Project, or any jobs, which have previously been included in any application for tax refunds under Section 288.1045, or 288.106, Florida Statutes.
- g) Grant Agreement means a written agreement between the County and Marshall that establishes the details of an Economic Development Grant, and that is a precondition to Marshall being able to submit a claim for an Economic Development Grant Payment.
- h) Program means the St. Johns County Business Incentive Program, which is attached as an Exhibit to St. Johns County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended.
- i) Project means the creation of a new business within St. Johns County, or the relocation of a new business from outside the County, and/or the expansion of an existing business within the County, and/or development of speculative space for industrial or office use.
- j) Public Agency means the public economic development agency that is created by St. Johns County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended.

## Section 8. Total Number of New Full-Time Equivalent Jobs in County.

The Number of New Full-Time Equivalent Jobs was not a factor relied upon by the **County** with respect to entering into this **Agreement**. Consequently, the Total of New Full-Time Equivalent Jobs in the **County** shall not be considered a condition associated with **Marshall** submitting a claim for, or receiving, any **County** Grant Payment.

### Section 9. Average Wage of the Full-Time Equivalent Jobs.

The average wage of the New Full-Time Equivalent Jobs was not a factor relied upon by the County with respect to entering into this Agreement. Consequently, the average wage of the

New Full-Time Equivalent Johns in the County shall not be considered a condition associated with Marshall submitting a claim for, or receiving, any County Grant Payment.

Section 10. Amount Paid by Marshall in Fees and/or Taxes Prior to Marshall Submitting a Claim for Grant Payment; Re-calculation of Fees and/or Taxes.

Unless re-calculated and/or adjusted, as noted elsewhere in this Section, then prior to the submission of any claim for Grant Payment by Marshall, or issuance of any Grant Payment by the County, Marshall will have paid to the County, an amount totaling \$144,912.00 (one hundred forty-four thousand, nine hundred twelve dollars), in County Impact Fees. It is expressly understood that such County Impact Fees will have been paid by Marshall prior to Marshall applying for, and/or receiving a County Grant Payment in any eligible County Fiscal Year.

Unless re-calculated and/or adjusted, as noted elsewhere in this Section, then prior to the submission of any claim for Grant Payment by Marshall, or issuance of any Grant Payment by the County, Marshall will have paid to the County, an amount totaling \$24,233.00 (twenty-four thousand, two hundred thirty-three dollars), in County Water Unit Connection Fees. It is expressly understood that such County Water Unit Connection Fees will have been paid by Marshall prior to Marshall applying for, and/or receiving a County Grant Payment in any eligible County Fiscal Year.

Unless recalculated and/or adjusted, as noted elsewhere in this Section, then prior to the submission of any claim for Grant Payment by Marshall, or issuance of any Grant Payment by the County, Marshall will have paid to the County, an amount totaling \$30,782.00 (thirty thousand, seven hundred eight-one dollars), in County Sewer Unit Connection Fees. It is expressly understood that such County Sewer Unit Connection Fees will have been paid by Marshall, prior to Marshall applying for, and/or receiving a County Grant Payment in any eligible County Fiscal Year.

Unless re-calculated and/or adjusted as noted elsewhere in this Section, then prior to the submission of any claim for Grant Payment by Marshall, or issuance of any Grant Payment by the County, Marshall will have paid to the County, an amount totaling \$7,512.00 (seven thousand, five hundred twelve dollars), in County Ad Valorem Taxes. The amount referenced totals the general County portion of County Ad Valorem Taxes paid by Marshall in one County Fiscal Year. Moreover, it is expressly understood that the above-referenced amount of County Ad Valorem Taxes (to the extent not adjusted by increasing property values) will have been paid by Marshall to the County, prior to Marshall applying for, and/or receiving a County Grant Payment in any eligible County Fiscal Year.

In order to accommodate changed circumstances regarding the nature and/or scope of the Project, the actual amount of fees and/or taxes paid by Marshall prior to submitting a claim for Grant Payment may be re-calculated and/or adjusted by the County, in order to reflect and/or account for such changed circumstances.

Section 11. Authority of Board to Review and Verify Financial and Personnel Records of Marshall in Order to Determine Degree of Compliance.

The Board (or where delegated, the Board's designee) specifically and explicitly reserves the right to review, inspect, and/or examine the financial and personnel records of Marshall, that are necessary and/or applicable, in order to determine the degree of Marshall's compliance with this Agreement, or any applicable term, condition, provision, or requirement contained in County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended.

Further, the Board (or where delegated, the Board's designee) specifically and explicitly reserves the right to review, inspect, and/or examine any, and all, data, correspondence, information, and documents of Marshall that are necessary and/or applicable, in order to determine the degree of Marshall's compliance with this Agreement, or any applicable term, condition, provision, or requirement contained in County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended.

Section 12. Date After Which Marshall May File a Claim for Grant Payment; Consequences of Not Timely Filing for a Grant Payment.

Consistent with County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended, the first Grant Payment will be available to Marshall, and may be distributed/issued to Marshall, during the County Fiscal Year that the capital investment/capital investments is/are recognized on the County's ad valorem tax roll.

For each County Fiscal Year that Marshall is eligible for a Grant Payment from the County, Marshall may file a claim for a Grant Payment at any time during that eligible County Fiscal Year.

Should Marshall not file a claim for a Grant Payment during an eligible County Fiscal Year, then Marshall shall have waived its right to such a Grant Payment for that particular eligible County Fiscal Year. Consequently, unless the Board specifically grants Special Relief, Marshall will not be entitled to a Grant Payment for that particular County Fiscal Year. A waiver by Marshall for a particular County Fiscal Year will not affect Marshall's ability to file for a Grant Payment in any other eligible County Fiscal Year.

## Section 13. Marshall's Performance Conditions; Consequences of Non-Compliance.

In order to remain eligible for a Grant Payment, Marshall must abide by, and comply with, the provisions set forth in this Agreement, and any applicable provisions of County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended, including any attached and incorporated Exhibits. Moreover, Marshall must complete its Project no later than September 30, 2008.

Should the **Board** determine that **Marshall** is in non-compliance with any of the above-noted performance conditions, then the **County Administrator**, on behalf of the **County**, shall promptly notify (and in any event, no later than thirty (30) days after the **Board** makes such a determination of non-compliance) **Marshall** of such non-compliance. Thereafter, from the date of notification, **Marshall** will have an additional thirty (30) days in which to submit written

information that documents Marshall's compliance with the above-noted performance conditions, or documents that Marshall has taken such corrective action necessary, in order to once again comply with the above-noted performance conditions. Should Marshall remain in non-compliance thirty (30) days after notification from the County Administrator, then this Agreement may be terminated in the manner set forth elsewhere in this Agreement.

#### Section 14. Conditions Associated With Grant Payment(s) to Marshall.

No Grant Payment shall be made during any eligible County Fiscal Year unless, and until, Marshall submits a claim for Grant Payment, and the claim for Grant Payment is approved by the County Administrator in the manner set forth in County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended.

Marshall may submit a claim for a scheduled Grant Payment only once each County Fiscal Year, unless the County Administrator determines that a second or third claim is necessary and appropriate.

Marshall shall submit a claim for Grant Payment to the County Administrator.

As noted elsewhere in this Agreement, the claim for Grant Payment submitted by Marshall must be filed during the eligible County Fiscal Year.

If not already provided, then Marshall's first claim for Grant Payment shall contain Marshall's authorization to deliver this Agreement to the County Administrator and to disclose the contents of this Agreement to the public.

The claim for Grant Payment submitted by Marshall must include a copy of all receipts, or relevant data or documentation related to the achievement of each applicable performance condition specified in this Agreement.

The amount requested by Marshall as a Grant Payment, may not exceed the amount specified in this Agreement for the particular eligible County Fiscal Year.

Upon the County Administrator's receipt of Marshall's claim for Grant Payment the County Administrator shall investigate and determine whether Marshall has met, and complied with, all applicable terms and conditions in this Agreement necessary in order to remain eligible for the Grant Payment, and the Board has appropriated the funds necessary to make the Grant Payment. At such time as the County Administrator has determined Marshall's compliance with this Agreement, and the Board's appropriation of such funds, the County Administrator shall approve Marshall's claim for Grant Payment.

Upon the County Administrator's approval of Marshall's claim for Grant Payment, the County shall process such claim, and after such processing, the County shall issue a check to Marshall in the amount of the approved Grant Payment.

Section 15. Acknowledgment by Marshall that Compliance with Terms and Conditions of Agreement is Condition Precedent to Receipt of Grant Payment; Consequences of Marshall Failing to Comply.

By executing this Agreement, Marshall understands, agrees, and acknowledges that compliance with all applicable terms, conditions, provisions, and requirements of this Agreement is a condition precedent to Marshall receiving one or more Grant Payments from the County.

By executing this Agreement, Marshall further understands, agrees, and acknowledges that the failure of Marshall to comply with all applicable terms, conditions, provisions, and requirements of this Agreement shall result in Marshall losing its eligibility for a County Grant Payment for the County Fiscal Year that Marshall is not in compliance with this Agreement.

Section 16. Required Notice Concerning Grant Payment to Marshall.

Pursuant to County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended, the following notice is included in this Agreement:

This Grant Agreement is neither a general obligation of St. Johns County, nor is it backed by the full faith and credit of St. Johns County. Payment of each grant payment is conditioned on, and subject to, specific annual appropriations by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County of monies sufficient to pay the grant payment due that year.

Section 17. Effect of Shortfall and/or Unavailability of Funds to Pay Grant Payment.

It is specifically noted that if grant funds are not available in one or more County Fiscal Years years, Marshall is not entitled to receive one or more County Grant Payments in a succeeding County Fiscal Year, in order to make-up for the shortfall and/or unavailability in grant funds, unless the Board specifically, and expressly, authorizes such County Grant Payments by County Resolution, which will also be noted in an amendment to this Agreement.

Section 18. Total Amount of County Economic Development Grant; Re-calculation of Total Amount Permitted.

Consistent with, and based on, the methodology noted in County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended, and including Exhibits, the total amount of the County Economic Development Grant available to Marshall is \$145,000.00 (one-hundred forty-five thousand dollars).

Consistent with, and based on, the methodology noted in County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended, and including Exhibits, the total amount of the County Economic Development Grant (which is referred to throughout this Agreement as the County Grant Payment) represents the annual general County portion of the ad valorem tax, and the annual tangible personal property tax (if applicable).

The actual amount of the County Grant Payment, however, may fluctuate in any given year, due to periodic increases in property assessments).

The County Grant Payment will be issued/distributed to Marshall in 10 in annual installments over a 10-year timeframe.

## Section 19. Eligible County Fiscal Years Under this Agreement.

For purposes of this Agreement, the following represent the eligible County Fiscal Years: 1) 2009; 2) 2010; 3) 2011; 4) 2012; 5) 2013; 6) 2014; 7) 2015; 8) 2016; 9) 2017; and 10) 2018.

# Section 20. Amount of Grant Payment in Each Eligible County Fiscal Year.

If all the conditions set forth in this Agreement, and/or County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended, are met by Marshall, then Marshall may receive a County Grant Payment in the amount of \$7,512.00 (seven thousand, five hundred twelve dollars) in each eligible County Fiscal Year.

In any given eligible County Fiscal Year the amount of a County Grant Payment paid to Marshall may be adjusted to reflect an increase in property values.

Nevertheless, it is expressly noted that the total amount that Marshall may receive in the form of one or more County Grant Payments shall not exceed \$145,000.00 (one hundred forty-five thousand dollars), which amount represents the maximum incentive, unless the Board approves an amendment to the maximum incentive.

# Section 21. Furnishing Notices to County and Marshall.

All Official Notices to the County shall be delivered either by hand (receipt of delivery), or by certified mail to:

County Administrator 4020 Lewis Speedway St. Augustine, Florida 32084

With a copy to Attorney for the Public Agency:

County Attorney 4020 Lewis Speedway St. Augustine, Florida 32084 All Official Notices to Marshall shall be delivered either by hand (receipt of delivery), or by certified mail to:

#### Marshall Real Estate Development, Inc.

101 Marshall Circle St. Augustine, Florida 32086

All correspondence, not classified and defined as Official Notices, may be delivered, disseminated, and/or submitted by any means acceptable to both parties, specifically including, faxing, e-mailing, or text messaging.

Section 22. Timeframe for Required Approval, Acceptance, and Execution of this Agreement by Marshall; Consequences of Failure to Timely Execute this Agreement by Marshall.

Consistent with County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended Marshall has thirty (30) days from the date that this Agreement is approved by the Board, in which to execute and deliver two (2) copies of this Agreement to the Public Agency.

Consistent with County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended in the event that Marshall does not execute and deliver two (2) copies of this Agreement within the thirty (30) day timeframe noted above, the effect of such failure on the part of Marshall shall result in the automatic termination of the Board's approval of this Agreement. Consequently, upon the occurrence of such circumstances, this Agreement shall be deemed rejected by the Board, and therefore, void, and having no further effect. Moreover, upon the occurrence of such circumstances, neither the County, nor the Board is required to give/deliver any notice, official or otherwise, of such rejection on the part of Marshall.

#### Section 23. Amendments to this Agreement.

Both the County and Marshall acknowledge that this Agreement constitutes the complete agreement and understanding of the parties.

Further, both the County and Marshall acknowledge that any change, amendment, modification, revision, or extension of this Agreement (other than termination as noted elsewhere in this Agreement) shall be in writing, and shall be executed by duly authorized representatives of both the County, and Marshall.

### Section 24. Termination of Agreement.

A) This Agreement is automatically terminated should Marshall fail to abide by, or comply with, any term, condition, provision, or requirement stated in this Agreement, or in any authorized and executed Amendment to this Agreement, for which adherence to, or compliance with, is mandated (under County Ordinance 2006-99, as amended, this Agreement, or Amendment to this Agreement).

Marshall is not adhering to, or in compliance with, any term, condition, provision of requirement of this Agreement, or Amendment to this Agreement, that is necessary for Marshall maintaining its eligibility for receiving a Grant Payment for any County Fiscal Year that this Agreement, or Amendment to this Agreement, is in effect.
Section 25. Governing Law/Venue.
This Agreement shall be construed according to the laws of the State of Florida. Venue for any legal action arising under this Agreement shall be St. Johns County, Florida.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have set their hands and seals as of the day of, 2007.
ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BY:  County Administrator
ATTEST: CHERYL STRICKLAND, CLERK
BY:
MARSHALL REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT, INC.
BY:
WITNESS AS TO:
<u>OR</u>
CORPORATE SEAL

This Agreement may be terminated by the County should the Board determine that

# ST. JOHNS COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE APPLICATION

Applicant's name:	Marshall Roal Estate Dev, inc.
Federal Employer Indentification Number:	59-3559520
State Sales Tax Registration Number:	
Current Company Headquarters and address:	101 Marshall Circle
	St. Augustin, Fl 32086
Primary Contact Person:	Robert Marshall
Primary Contact Person Title:	President
Primary Contact Person Address:	318 Marsh Point Circle
	St. Augus 4. no, Fl 32080
Contact Person Phone: (business):	<u>(904) 540 - 1493</u>
Contact Person Cell:	(9d) 540-1493
Contact Person Fax:	904-460-0726
Contact Person E-mail:	
The company requires confidentiality in its reques	sts for consideration on economic incentives.

If applicant answers "Yes" with respect to requesting confidentiality in its request for consideration on economic incentives, then the following authorization is required.

The applicant authorizes the disclosure, and covenants to hold the County, and its officials and employees and the Public Agency and its members, attorney, and staff harmless and release them from any liability that they incur, should they or any of them disclose information or records that the applicant has requested be kept confidential in the manner, and to the extent that is set forth in Section 288.075, Florida Statutes, when such disclosure is later requested or authorized by the applicant, when such information and records are no longer exempt from disclosure under the provisions of Section 288.075, Florida Statutes, when such disclosure results from an order, requirement or request, by, or from, a court of competent jurisdiction, or a Florida agency or department, or when such disclosure is required or authorized to be disclosed by this Ordinance, as amended from time to time.

Description of the primary and secondary business activities the company that is locating to St.

Johns County, Florida is engaged in:

Speculative Space

Type of Facility Development

Date construction is projected to begin:

Date facility will be complete and operational:

Estimated Square Footage of Facility Under Roof H/C:

Number of full-time employees to be employed:

Total number of full-time employees currently employed by the applicant in the county:

A-digit SIC Code for all activities included in the project:

N/A	Joyment proposed and the av	verage annual pay rate:
Total amount of economic development agence Ordinance):	opment grant requested (to be y in accordance with section	completed in coordination with 8, paragraph 8 of the Incentive
Capital Investment Values:	Real Property  Facility Value  Infrastructure to be publi  Infrastructure private	\$1,524,530.00 \$1,524,530.00 None
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Applicant Signature and Title
Robert Marshall

President



