



November 18, 2011

Sparks Mayor and City Council

EDAWN requests \$32,275.00 from the City of Sparks to enable EDAWN to assist the growth and recovery of Sparks' and the Greater Reno-Tahoe economy with the following goals as outlined in EDAWNs Strategic Plan 2011-2012. (All goals must eventually be coordinated with the State Plan for Economic Development)

- Securing 21 Closed-Won Projects (Companies) through attraction/recruiting, expansion and initiation (start-ups) as aligned with the Strategic Plan goals approved by the EDAWN Board of Trustees.
- Generating 850 new jobs through the above referenced Closed-Won Projects (Companies) as aligned with the Strategic Plan goals approved by the EDAWN Board of Trustees.
- Improve the Business Image of Sparks and the Greater Reno-Tahoe region through 20 "Most Wanted" media placements, valued at \$1M in ad equivalency.
- This funding will support our planned effort in the following areas (not limited to these)
 - Site consultant trips and visits
 - Trade shows and conference in selected industry targets
 - Local company assistance in expansion (re-energize BR&E system with member/partner participation)
 - California commercial real estate brokerage house trips and visits
 - Entrepreneurial support coordination (Innovative Growth Initiative)
 - Focus on one or more Economic Game Changers: Geothermal Industry Center of Excellence, Entrepreneurship (C4 Cube, NCET, UNR, DRI, TMCC, NIREC, etc.)
 - Client research and Marketing
 - o Market Tour with Armando Ornelas and selected Council Members
- EDAWN will report to the City of Sparks Council and Staff quarterly and as requested on the above efforts and other activities.

With appreciation, Stan Thomas V.P, Business Development

