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### City of Lancaster Acknowledged at the State Level For Economic Development Excellence

**Lancaster, TX** – The City of Lancaster received the 2018 Economic Excellence Recognition from the Texas Economic Development Council (TEDC). The award was presented Thursday, February 21, 2019, at the TEDC’s Legislative Conference in Austin, Texas.

The Economic Excellence Recognition program provides recognition to economic development organizations that meet a desired threshold of professionalism. Recipients qualify for recognition based



on rigorous training taken by their governing board/council as well as the economic development director and professional staff. Additionally, certifications, professional memberships and activities, and the organizational effectiveness of economic development staff also contributes to the standards for qualification.

“The TEDC’s Economic Excellence Recognition program is one of the ways in which our organization honors the outstanding commitment to excellence of our communities and regions, their leaders, and their economic development professionals have toward the professionalization of their economic development efforts,” noted Carlton Schwab, President/CEO of the TEDC. The City of Lancaster was one of only a few groups recognized through this program. “This is the first time the City of Lancaster has received this esteemed recognition. We are honored,” stated Shane Shepard, Economic Development Director.



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The Texas Economic Development Council, established in 1961, is an Austin-based, statewide, non-profit professional association, dedicated to the development of economic and employment opportunities in Texas. The TEDC provides information, educational and legislative services to nearly 850 members. Our objective is to support the economic growth of Texas and develop strategies that promote a positive business climate in the state.

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