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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

**FROM:** Shannon Ogletree, Economic Development Director

**DATE:** April 11, 2016

**SUBJECT:** 2016-2020 Workforce Services Plan as developed by CareerSource Escarosa

### DISCUSSION

Recommend approval of the 2016-2020 Workforce Services Plan as developed by CareerSource Escarosa and authorize execution of relevant documents.

### BACKGROUND

In July of 2014, President Obama signed into law the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) which replaced the Workforce Investment Act of 1998. Under WIOA, States and local workforce development boards are required to submit a Services Plan addressing how career services will be delivered as required by federal law. The Plan addresses the administrative and fiscal entity for the local area and includes the Interlocal Agreement and Escarosa's By-Laws for that designation. The Plan also details involvement of local elected officials; Escarosa Board of Directors; community organizations; economic development; education, vocational rehabilitation and other related organizations that will be involved in the process.

A Draft of the WIOA Plan was posted to Escarosa's website on February 26 and made available to our Chief Elected Officials and Board of Directors for initial review. The Final Draft was published on March 11, 2016, posted to Escarosa's website and noticed in the Pensacola News Journal. The Final Draft was also sent to numerous entities to include education; economic development; Escarosa Coalition on the Homeless; Transportation for the Disadvantaged; Early Learning Coalitions; and other community groups. The Plan was available for public comment for thirty days. No comments were received.

Our Chief Elected Officials are required to approve the plan. It is being submitted to Santa Rosa County Commissioners for approval on April 14, 2016; to Escambia County Board of County Commissioners for approval on April 21, 2016; and to the Escarosa Board of Directors for approval on April 21<sup>st</sup> also.

The plan is due to be submitted to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity no later than April 30, 2016. The plan can be viewed in its entirety at <http://careersourceescarosa.com/administrative-documents>.