RESOLUTION NO.	

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, APPROVING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF A PROGRAM TO PROMOTE LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND STIMULATE BUSINESS COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY IN THE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO FINALIZE AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR SUCH PURPOSES WITH ASHLEY FURNITURE INDUSTRIES, INC., REGARDING A NEW STATE-OF-THE-ART DISTRIBUTION AND MANUFACTURING FACILITY ON APPROXIMATELY 358 ACRES COMMONLY KNOWN AS 3790 FAITHON P. LUCAS, SR. BOULEVARD, MESQUITE, TEXAS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADMINISTER THE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY.

WHEREAS, Chapter 380 of the Texas Local Government Code authorizes the City of Mesquite, Texas ("City") and other municipalities to establish and provide for the administration of programs that promote local economic development and stimulate business and commercial activity; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has been presented with a proposed agreement providing economic incentives to Ashley Furniture Industries, Inc., a Wisconsin corporation (the "Company") in connection with a new state-of-the-art distribution and manufacturing facility on approximately 358 acres commonly known as 3790 Faithon P. Lucas, Sr. Boulevard, Mesquite, Texas, a copy of said agreement being attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference (the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, after holding a public hearing and upon full review and consideration of the Agreement and all matters attendant and related thereto, the City Council is of the opinion that the Agreement will assist in implementing a program whereby local economic development will be promoted, and business and commercial activity will be stimulated in the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESOUITE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council finds that the terms of the proposed Agreement by and between the City and the Company, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference, will benefit the City and will accomplish the public purpose of promoting local economic development and stimulating business and commercial activity in the City in accordance with Section 380.001 of the Texas Local Government Code.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> That the City Council hereby adopts an economic development program whereby, subject to the terms and conditions of the Agreement, the City will provide economic development incentives to the Company and take other specified actions as more fully set forth in the Agreement in accordance with the terms and subject to the conditions outlined in the Agreement.

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SECTION 3. That the terms and conditions of the Agreement, having been reviewed by the City Council and found to be acceptable and in the best interest of the City and its citizens, are hereby approved.

SECTION 4. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to finalize and execute the Agreement and all other documents necessary to consummate the transactions contemplated by the Agreement.

SECTION 5. That the City Manager is further hereby authorized to administer the Agreement on behalf of the City including, without limitation, the City Manager shall have the authority to: (i) provide any notices required or permitted by the Agreement; (ii) approve amendments to the Agreement provided such amendments, together with all previous amendments approved by the City Manager, do not increase City expenditures under the Agreement in excess of \$50,000; (iii) approve or deny any matter in the Agreement that requires the consent of the City provided, however, notwithstanding the foregoing, any assignment of the Agreement that requires the consent of the City pursuant to the terms of the Agreement shall require the approval of the City Council; (iv) approve or deny the waiver of performance of any covenant, duty, agreement, term or condition of the Agreement; (v) exercise any rights and remedies available to the City under the Agreement; and (vi) execute any notices, amendments, approvals, consents, denials and waivers authorized by this Section 5.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 6th day of March, 2017.

	Stan Pickett
	Mayor
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ATTEST:	APPROVED:
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Sonja Land	B. J. Smith
City Secretary	City Attorney