

Sec. 501.073. **SUPERVISION BY AUTHORIZING UNIT.** (a) The corporation's authorizing unit will approve all programs and expenditures of a corporation and annually review any financial statements of the corporation.

(b) A corporation's authorizing unit is entitled to access to the corporation's books and records at all times.

Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. [2278](#)), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

Sec. 501.074. **PURCHASING.** A corporation may use the reverse auction procedure defined by Section [2155.062\(d\)](#), Government Code, for purchasing.

Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. [2278](#)), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

Sec. 501.075. **EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION.** (a) The activities of a corporation affect all the residents of the corporation's authorizing unit by the corporation's assuming to a material extent what otherwise might be an obligation or duty of the authorizing unit, and therefore the corporation is an institution of purely public charity within the tax exemption of Section [2](#), Article VIII, Texas Constitution.

(b) A corporation is exempt from the tax imposed by Chapter [171](#), Tax Code, only if the corporation is exempted by that chapter.

Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. [2278](#)), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

SUBCHAPTER C. AUTHORIZED PROJECTS

Sec. 501.101. **PROJECTS RELATED TO CREATION OR RETENTION OF PRIMARY JOBS.** In this subtitle, "project" includes the land, buildings, equipment, facilities, expenditures, targeted infrastructure, and improvements that are:

- (1) for the creation or retention of primary jobs; and
- (2) found by the board of directors to be required or suitable for the development, retention, or expansion of:
 - (A) manufacturing and industrial facilities;
 - (B) research and development facilities;
 - (C) military facilities, including closed or realigned military bases;
 - (D) transportation facilities, including airports, hangars, railports, rail switching facilities, maintenance and repair facilities, cargo facilities, related infrastructure located on or adjacent to an airport or railport facility, marine ports, inland ports, mass commuting facilities, and parking facilities;
 - (E) sewage or solid waste disposal facilities;
 - (F) recycling facilities;
 - (G) air or water pollution control facilities;
 - (H) facilities for furnishing water to the public;
 - (I) distribution centers;
 - (J) small warehouse facilities capable of serving as decentralized storage and distribution centers;
 - (K) primary job training facilities for use by institutions of higher education; or
 - (L) regional or national corporate headquarters facilities.

Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. [2278](#)), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

Amended by:

Acts 2009, 81st Leg., R.S., Ch. 87 (S.B. [1969](#)), Sec. 15.012(a), eff. September 1, 2009.

Acts 2009, 81st Leg., R.S., Ch. 150 (S.B. [2052](#)), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2009.

Sec. 501.102. **PROJECTS RELATED TO CERTAIN JOB TRAINING.** In this subtitle, "project" includes job training required or suitable for the promotion of

development and expansion of business enterprises and other enterprises described by this subtitle, as provided by Section [501.162](#).
Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. [2278](#)), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

Sec. 501.103. CERTAIN INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. In this subtitle, "project" includes expenditures that are found by the board of directors to be required or suitable for infrastructure necessary to promote or develop new or expanded business enterprises, limited to:
(1) streets and roads, rail spurs, water and sewer utilities, electric utilities, or gas utilities, drainage, site improvements, and related improvements;
(2) telecommunications and Internet improvements; or
(3) beach remediation along the Gulf of Mexico.
Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. [2278](#)), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

Sec. 501.104. PROJECTS RELATED TO CERTAIN MILITARY BASES OR MISSIONS. In this subtitle, "project" includes the infrastructure, improvements, land acquisition, buildings, or expenditures that:
(1) are for the creation or retention of primary jobs or jobs that are included in North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) sector number 926120, Regulation and Administration of Transportation Programs, for the corresponding index entry for Coast Guard (except the Coast Guard Academy); and
(2) are found by the board of directors to be required or suitable for:
(A) promoting or supporting a military base in active use to prevent the possible future closure or realignment of the base;
(B) attracting new military missions to a military base in active use; or
(C) redeveloping a military base that has been closed or realigned, including a military base closed or realigned according to the recommendation of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission under the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 (10 U.S.C. Section 2687 note).
Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. [2278](#)), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

Sec. 501.105. CAREER CENTER PROJECTS OUTSIDE OF JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT. In this subtitle, "project" includes the land, buildings, equipment, facilities, improvements, and expenditures found by the board of directors to be required or suitable for use for a career center, if the area to be benefited by the career center is not located in the taxing jurisdiction of a junior college district.
Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. [2278](#)), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

Sec. 501.106. AIRPORT FACILITIES OR OTHER PROJECTS BY CORPORATIONS AUTHORIZED BY CERTAIN BORDER MUNICIPALITIES. (a) This section applies only to a corporation authorized to be created by a municipality, any part of which is located within 25 miles of an international border.
(b) For a corporation to which this section applies, in this subtitle, "project" includes the land, buildings, facilities, infrastructure, and improvements that:
(1) the corporation's board of directors finds are required or suitable for the development or promotion of new or expanded business enterprises through transportation facilities including airports, hangars, railports, rail switching facilities, maintenance and repair facilities, cargo facilities, marine ports, inland ports, mass commuting facilities, parking facilities, and related infrastructure located on or adjacent to an airport or railport facility; or
(2) are undertaken by the corporation if the municipality that authorized the creation of the corporation has, at the time the corporation approves the project as provided by this subtitle:

authorizing municipality:

- (1) the corporation;
- (2) a director of the corporation;
- (3) the municipality;
- (4) a member of the governing body of the municipality; or
- (5) an employee of the corporation or municipality.

(b) For purposes of Chapter 101, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, a Type B corporation is a governmental unit and the corporation's actions are governmental functions.

Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. 2278), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

SUBCHAPTER D. AUTHORIZED PROJECTS

Sec. 505.151. AUTHORIZED PROJECTS. In this chapter, "project" means land, buildings, equipment, facilities, expenditures, and improvements included in the definition of "project" under Chapter 501, including:

- (1) job training as provided by Section 501.162; and
- (2) recycling facilities.

Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. 2278), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

Sec. 505.152. PROJECTS RELATED TO RECREATIONAL OR COMMUNITY FACILITIES. For purposes of this chapter, "project" includes land, buildings, equipment, facilities, and improvements found by the board of directors to be required or suitable for use for professional and amateur sports, including children's sports, athletic, entertainment, tourist, convention, and public park purposes and events, including stadiums, ball parks, auditoriums, amphitheaters, concert halls, parks and park facilities, open space improvements, museums, exhibition facilities, and related store, restaurant, concession, and automobile parking facilities, related area transportation facilities, and related roads, streets, and water and sewer facilities, and other related improvements that enhance any of the items described by this section.

Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. 2278), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

Sec. 505.153. PROJECTS RELATED TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING. For purposes of this chapter, "project" includes land, buildings, equipment, facilities, and improvements found by the board of directors to be required or suitable for the promotion of development and expansion of affordable housing, as described by 42 U.S.C. Section 12745.

Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. 2278), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

Sec. 505.154. PROJECTS RELATED TO WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES AND WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAMS. For purposes of this chapter, "project" includes land, buildings, equipment, facilities, and improvements found by the board of directors to be required or suitable for:

- (1) the development or improvement of water supply facilities, including dams, transmission lines, well field developments, and other water supply alternatives;

or

- (2) the development and institution of water conservation programs, including incentives to install water-saving plumbing fixtures, educational programs, brush control programs, and programs to replace malfunctioning or leaking water lines and other water facilities.

Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. 2278), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

Sec. 505.155. PROJECTS RELATED TO BUSINESS ENTERPRISES THAT CREATE OR RETAIN PRIMARY JOBS. For purposes of this chapter, "project" includes land, buildings, equipment, facilities, and improvements found by the board of directors to promote or develop new or expanded business enterprises that create or retain primary jobs, including:

- (1) a project to provide public safety facilities, streets and roads, drainage and related improvements, demolition of existing structures, general municipally owned improvements, and any improvements or facilities related to a project described by this subdivision; and
- (2) any other project that the board of directors in the board's discretion determines promotes or develops new or expanded business enterprises that create or retain primary jobs.

Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. 2278), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

Sec. 505.156. PROJECTS RELATED TO BUSINESS ENTERPRISES IN CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES. For purposes of this chapter, "project" includes land, buildings, equipment, facilities, and improvements found by the board of directors to be required or suitable for the development, retention, or expansion of business enterprises if the project is undertaken by a Type B corporation authorized to be created by a municipality:

- (1) that has not for each of the preceding two fiscal years received more than \$50,000 in revenues from sales and use taxes imposed under this chapter; and
- (2) the governing body of which has authorized the project by adopting a resolution only after giving the resolution at least two separate readings conducted at least one week apart.

Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. 2278), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

Sec. 505.1561. PROJECTS RELATED TO AIRPORT FACILITIES IN CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES. For purposes of this chapter, "project" includes land, buildings, equipment, facilities, and improvements found by the board of directors to be required or suitable for the development or expansion of airport or railport facilities, including hangars, maintenance and repair facilities, cargo facilities, and related infrastructure located on or adjacent to an airport or railport facility, if the project is undertaken by a Type B corporation authorized to be created by a municipality:

- (1) that enters into a development agreement with an entity in which the entity acquires a leasehold or other possessory interest from the corporation and is authorized to sublease the entity's interest for other projects authorized by Sections 505.151 through 505.156; and
- (2) the governing body of which has authorized the development agreement by adopting a resolution at a meeting called as authorized by law.

Added by Acts 2009, 81st Leg., R.S., Ch. 87 (S.B. 1969), Sec. 15.014(a), eff. September 1, 2009.

Amended by:

Acts 2009, 81st Leg., R.S., Ch. 150 (S.B. 2052), Sec. 2, eff. September 1, 2009.

Sec. 505.157. PROJECTS RELATED TO BUSINESS ENTERPRISES IN LANDLOCKED COMMUNITIES.

(a) In this section, "landlocked community" means a municipality that:

- (1) is wholly or partly located in a county with a population of 2.5 million or more; and
- (2) has within its municipal limits and extraterritorial jurisdiction less than 100 acres that can be used for the development of manufacturing or industrial