



City of Largo Agenda Item 1

Meeting Date
07/10/18

Presenter: Karisa Rojas-Norton, ED Coordinator

Department: CD – Community Development

TITLE:

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT- OPTEK INTERNATIONAL

The Business Spotlight provides an opportunity for the City Commission to have an abbreviated dialogue during the Work Session where owners introduce their business, share how they chose Largo as a place to do business, identify some of their challenges and discuss ways the City of Largo can assist. The tenth Business Spotlight series features business owner Alan Hodges, from Optek International.

Optek International is a designer and manufacturer of optical processing and grinding equipment for prescription lenses and eyewear. The company provides technical services, specializes in lab systems, software, machining such as edges, engravings, frame styles, and finishing equipment. Optek has over four decades of experience in lens processing systems equipment. The brand was founded by an engineer with a vision to develop surfacing equipment of exceptional quality and enduring value. The company received their first patent in 1972, and since then, Optek has grown into a respected and industry-leading brand, both in the United States and internationally. The company has pioneered advanced products that help eye care professionals reduce costs by bringing processing labs in-house, and generating revenue by improving and expanding the services that can be provided to patients.

Optek prides itself on blending the technological expertise of a large organization with the attentiveness of a family-owned company. Their office is located at 2300 Tall Pines Drive, in Suite 120, off Tall Pines Drive and Ulmerton Road. More information is available on their website at www.optekinternational.com

Budgeted Amount: \$0.00 Budget Page No(s): NA Available Amount: \$0.00 Expenditure Amount: \$0.00

Additional Budgetary Information: NA

Funding Source(s): NA Sufficient Funds Available: Yes No Budget Amendment Required: Yes No Source: N/A

City Attorney Reviewed: Yes No N/A Advisory Board Recommendation: For Against N/A Consistent With: Yes No N/A Economic Development Plan

Potential Motion/ Direction Requested: INFORMATIONAL ITEM

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Attachments: None