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REGULAR MEETING CITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF EL CAMPO

**Northside Education Center
707 Fahrenthold, Room 110
El Campo, Texas 77437**

DECEMBER 9, 2020

8:00AM

MINUTES

1. President Kinnan Stockton called the Regular Meeting of the CDC to order at 8:00am.
2. Cuatro Strack led the Pledge of Allegiance. Carolyn Gibson led the prayer.
3. Kinnan Stockton noted the presence of a Quorum. Present were Kinnan Stockton, Cuatro Strack, Tommy Hitzfeld, Gary Raybon and Larry Russell. Also present were Executive Director Carolyn Gibson. City Manager Courtney Sladek attended by phone.
4. Public Comments: There were no comments by the public, and no dial-in participants in the meeting.
5. Gary Raybon moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting November 16, 2020 as presented. Tommy Hitzfeld seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
6. Carolyn Gibson reviewed the Financial Reports and Investments Report with the Board. There was no action necessary.
7. Carolyn Gibson reviewed the Accounts Payable Register and Sales Tax Reports. There was no action necessary.
8. Cuatro Strack moved to approve the CDC Resolution to accept gift of land from United Praise & Worship, approval of funding of up to \$6,500.00 for closing costs, and authorizing Kinnan Stockton to execute necessary documents and obtain funds necessary for closing. Tommy Hitzfeld seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The Resolution was signed by President Kinnan Stockton and Secretary Larry Russell.
9. Tommy Hitzfeld move to hold Virtual Board Meetings of the CDC Board of Directors if necessary due to Covid restrictions. Larry Russell seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. *Note: On March 16, at the Attorney General's request, Governor Greg Abbott utilized Section 418.016 of the Government Code to suspend certain requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act (TOMA) in light of the ongoing COVID-19 emergency. Tex. Gov't. Code Ann. Section 418.016 (Vernon 2017). The Governor suspended provisions of TOMA that require a quorum of the governing body and the general public to be together in a single location in order to allow videoconference or telephonic meetings. A list of suspended provisions is included in the packet with a copy of the Governor's suspension letter. This suspension is in effect until terminated by the Governor or until the state disaster declaration is lifted or expires. Governor Abbott renewed the disaster declaration November 6, 2020.*

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- a. Kinnan Stockton adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:18am to hold Closed Session to discuss and deliberate: economic development negotiations as authorized by Section 551.087, consultation with attorney as authorized by Section 551.071, real estate negotiations as authorized by Section 551.072, and deliberations about officers and employees of the governmental body as authorized by Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code regarding the following:
 1. Project Gift Update
 2. Project SWIG Update
 3. Project Royal Site Improvement Grant
 4. Project Home
 5. Project Ice Job Creation Incentive
 6. Project King
10. Kinnan Stockton reconvened the Regular Meeting at 8:48am and called for any action to be taken from Executive Session:
- a. Larry Russell moved to support Project Royal, Uncle Charlie's Home Cooking restaurant, with \$500 to assist with advertising for the new business. Cuatro Strack seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
 - b. Cuatro Strack moved to approve a Site Improvement Grant for Project Whisk, Amy's Cookie Company, of 10%, up to a maximum of \$10,000 of the improvements. Gary Raybon seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
11. Carolyn Gibson's Director's Report was included in the packets. There was no action necessary.
12. The next Board of Directors Meeting will be Monday, January 11, 2021 at 2:00pm due to MLK Holiday on regular third Monday, January 18, 2021.
13. Tommy Hitzfeld moved to adjourn the meeting. Gary Raybon seconded the motion. Kinnan Stockton adjourned the Regular CDC Meeting at 8:53am.