

The Economic Development Corporation met for their monthly EDC meeting on March 28, 2022, in person at 907 E. Houston, Cleveland, Texas, with Board President Brent McWaters presiding.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Board President Brent McWaters, Boardmember Marilyn Clay, Boardmember Patrick Caserez, Boardmember Durlene Davis, Boardmember Scott Lambert, EDC Director Robert Reynolds, City Secretary Angela Smith

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Board Vice President Kelly Jenkel-Axton, Boardmember Michele Wyatt

**EMPLOYEES:** Jennifer Jeude, Leslie Herrera

**ATTENDEES:** Carolyn McWaters

EDC President Brent McWaters called the monthly EDC meeting to order at 6:01 pm and stated that there was a quorum.

## **Presentations, Public Comments and Reports**

### **1. Invocation, Pledge and Roll Call**

Board President McWaters gave the invocation and everyone recited the pledge to the U.S. and Texas flag.

### **2. Public Comments.**

None.

### **3. Reports and comments from board members and staff**

**Robert Reynolds** - Invited EDC to the QuikTrip opening on 3/31 at 9:00 a.m. Jim Carson would also like to invite EDC to the Leadership East Texas graduation on April 19th from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**Brent McWaters** - Thanked everyone for Allies Day. Heard great things and it was a great stepping stone.

### **4. Summary of monthly business prospect report/EDC project updates (if applicable) by EDC Director Robert Reynolds**

EDC Director Reynolds gave the updates on business prospects and EDC project updates.

Boardmember Clay asked about the Entergy light project. Director Reynolds told the board that the cost is \$25 per light and the \$10,000 estimate was turned in to the City.

Boardmember Lambert expressed his opinion on the board needing to communicate better with developers.

### **5. Training presentation by Justin Pruitt with Olson & Olson on Type B EDCs**

This item was rescheduled for the April 25 meeting.

## **Consent Agenda**

### **6. Approve minutes from February 15 & 28, 2022 business meetings**

### **7. Approve monthly bills**

### **8. Approve monthly financial statements**

### **9. Approve Quarterly Investment Report for period ending December 2021**

Boardmember Caserez made a motion to approve consent agenda items 6-9 with a second from Boardmember Lambert. All members present voted "AYE". Motion carried.

## Discussion and Action

### 10. Discussion about mural project

Boardmember Lambert asked EDC if they were willing to pay for the mural that is painted on the old Cleveland Advocate building. Board President McWaters stated that the allocated money for murals is already designated for the Texan Theatre and the Historical Museum and that request was not presented prior to the start of the project.

## Closed Executive Session

### 11. Closed Executive Session under

- a. Texas Government Code Sec. 551.072, Deliberations about the sale, purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
- b. Texas Local Government Code 551.087, Deliberation Regarding Economic Development negotiations – to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations.

Not needed.

## Return to Open Session

### 12. Take action as needed on items from Executive Session

Not needed.

Boardmember Clay acknowledged Finance Director Leslie Herrera and her department for their Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting.

## Adjourn

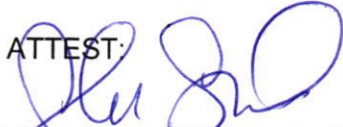
With no further business to transpire Boardmember Caserez made a motion to adjourn with a second from Boardmember Clay. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022



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Brent McWaters, Board President

ATTEST:



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Angela Smith, TRMC  
Director of Admin Svcs  
City Secretary