

CITY OF FREEPORT
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
200 West 2nd Street, Freeport, Texas 77541

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COUNTY OF BRAZORIA)
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BE IT REMEMBERED that the Economic Development Corporation of the City of Freeport met in regular session Thursday, December 17, 2015, 8:00 am at the Freeport EDC Office, 200 West 2nd Street, Freeport, TX, for the purpose of considering the agenda items.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT: Quorum Present

 Troy Brimage, President
 Brooks Bass
 Roy Yates
 Mark Fruidenburg
 Chris Duncan, Attorney
 N.C. Hickey, Administrator
 Jennifer Hawkins, Director

VISITORS IN ATTENDANCE:

 No Visitors

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING

 Meeting called to order at 8:07 a.m. by the President.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

 Upon motion by Director Yates, second by Director Bass, it was VOTED: Minutes of November 12, 2015, be approved.

Vote: Yea 5 No 0 Motion prevailed.

Update on Christmas Projects

President Brimage reported that turnout and response from attendees at switching on of lights and Christmas on the Plaza was positive for a first time venture. Director Fruidenburg suggested a boat parade in conjunction with a downtown event would enhance 2016's events. It was noted that the Parks Department did an excellent job in preparation for each event.

Discuss Proposal from Terracon Concerning Brazos Street Property:

Attorney Duncan stated the sampling and reporting process (does not include clean-up) will cost \$6,750.

Upon motion by Director Bass and second by Director Friudenburg it was VOTED:

To accept Terracon's proposal for sampling and reporting.

Vote: Yea 4 No 0

Update on purchase of remaining Western Seafood property:

No progress. Former negotiations with 2 of the 3 family members involved were unsuccessful as company is now in receivership.

Director's Report:

EDC and City of Freeport will split Christmas lights and related expenses 50/50. An outline of remaining Christmas events was given: Christmas Colori and Family Movie Night were both scheduled for Dec. 19th. It was suggested by Director Hawkins that going forward any Colori (sidewalk mural drawings) events should expand to include all area schools (as well as those already out of school) and be designed to benefit a different charity every year. Mural spaces would be sold to various companies that want to contribute. Pricing would depend on amount of spaces each entity wants to purchase. It was also suggested by Director Friudenburg that we could get companies to sponsor Christmas trees and decorations for kids to decorate trees with and donate those funds to the library.

Executive Session

The Board retired into Executive Session at 8:58 am.

- a) Employee Matters
- b) Issues Regarding Christmas Lights Unlimited

Open Session

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:46 a.m.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session

Adjourned: 9:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted: