

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

STATE OF TEXAS)
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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, September, 15, 2016 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

Jason Travis: Vice President
Brooks Bass
Roy Yates
Drew Ryder
Mark Fruidenberg
Jennifer Hawkins: Director
Nat Hickey: Administrator
Sandra Barbree: Council liaison

Visitors in Attendance:

Gardner Campbell

OPEN SESSION:

Vice President Travis opened the meeting at 8:05 AM. Quorum was present.

Citizens Comments:

None

Approval of Minutes from July 14th:

Upon Motion by Director Ryder and second by Director Yates it was VOTED:
Minutes from August 11, 2016 be approved.

VOTE Yea 5 No 0 Motion Prevailed

Facade Grant Application from Jeff Pena: Mr. Pena was unable to attend and will reschedule at a later date.

Sponsorship for Blues Fest: Sandra Barbree, president of the Noon's Lion and coordinator for this year's festival requested a sponsorship of \$2,500. Director Hawkins reported that EDC had not surpassed their allotted amount for sponsorships at this time. Ms. Barbree reminded the Board of the benefits of sponsorship for a Lions Club event: scholarships, donations to Boy Scouts, iPads for students in need and exposing new people to what Freeport has to offer.

Upon motion by Director Yates and second by Director Bass, it was VOTED:
To sponsor Blues Fest in the amount of \$2,500.

VOTE: Yea: 5 No: 0 Motion Prevailed.

Texas Film Commission Update and Proposal Review

Director Hawkins presented a generic legal contract provided by TFC to the Board and Attorney Chris Duncan for review. Attorney Duncan will review and make necessary changes for Freeport to become a certified 'Film Friendly City' through TFC.

VOTED:
Upon a motion by Director Bass and second by Director Ryder, it was VOTED: Yea: 4 No: 1 Motion Prevailed

To proceed with contract revisions as the next step in becoming a member of TFC.

Gardo's Properties Presentation for Planned Development on W. First St. Mr. Campbell's proposal entails the 600 Block of W. First st. where he is steadily purchasing and restoring homes. Mr. Campbell is also planning on building new homes there, as well. His desire is to purchase the EDC land off of Brazos Street behind his development on First St, close the street and make this section of First St. a gated community.

Mr. Campbell has ordered a survey and appraisal for the EDC land he desires to purchase. Mr. Campbell will present this information to EDC when available.

Attorney Duncan stated a development agreement would need to be composed with a time frame for completed development or property would revert back to EDC. Director Bass suggested Attorney Duncan should compose the agreement.

OPEN SESSION: Vice President Closed Open Session at 8:52 am

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board retired into Executive Session at 8:53 am

OPEN SESSION: The Board returned to Open Session at 9:17 am
No action taken as a result of Executive Session

ADJOURNED: 9:19

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Hawkins
Executive Director