

**CITY OF GONZALES, TEXAS
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
MEETING GONZALES MUNICIPAL BUILDING
820 ST. JOSEPH STREET
MINUTES
AUGUST 27, 2018 6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCES

Board President Dewey Smith called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M. Mr. Smith certified a quorum of the Board with Tommy Cox, Gerri Lawing, Steve Sucher, Dan Blakemore, James Ryan and Dewey Smith present. James Hamilton was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The public comments section of the meeting is for citizens to address the Gonzales Economic Development Directors (as a whole). No interaction will be held between the speaker and the GEDC.

Gonzales Main Street Director Barbara Friedrich provided a spreadsheet and overview of Business Improvement Grant applications from 2009 to July 2018.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. July 12 & 13 Meeting Minutes (Board Workshop)

Motion to table any action made by James Ryan, seconded by Tommy Cox. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Gonzales Economic Development Corporation will hold a closed Executive Session meeting Pursuant to the Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in:

Section 551.087 to discuss a possible amendment to an economic development incentive – Come and Take It Properties LLC

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

2. Discuss and Consider any action resulting from Executive Session
Motion to table any action made by Tommy Cox, seconded by Steve Sucher. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS (No Action)

3. Receive and Discuss information from TGB Group regarding infrastructure and other improvements to the Gonzales Industrial Park
Mike Murphy, TGB President and Jay Cooper, TGB Business Development Manager provided the board a brief presentation on possible phased improvements in the Gonzales Industrial Park.
4. Receive and Discuss information from Golden Shovel Website Design
Genora Young presented a proposal from GSA with various options for website design, hosting and digital marketing for the GEDC. Ms. Young will gather additional information.
5. Receive and Discuss information from FLOR Group Website Design
Board received information however no pricing was provided.

ACTION ITEMS

6. Discuss and Consider recommendations to City Council for the reappointment of Tommy Cox and James Hamilton to the GEDC Board and a recommendation for the appointment of an individual to fill James Ryan's seat after his term ends in October 2018
Motion made to recommend to Gonzales City Council the appointment of Mr. Larry Wehde and re-appointment of James Hamilton and Tommy Cox to GEDC Board. Motion made by Dan Blakemore, seconded by Steve Sucher. Tommy Cox abstained. Motioned carried.
7. Discuss and Consider an amendment to the proposed budget to include \$400,000 to the line item "New Business"
Motion made to modify 2018-2019 budget to include additional \$400,000 for business development. Motion made by James Ryan, seconded by Dan Blakemore. Motion carried unanimously.
8. Discuss and Consider quotes from TK Consulting Engineers and Intelligent Engineering Services for Structural assessment of the Lynn Theater
After review motion made to accept a proposal from TK Consulting Engineers for Lynn Theatre evaluation not to exceed \$5,000. Motion made by James Ryan, seconded by Gerri Lawing. Motion carried unanimously.
9. Discuss and Consider quotes for HVAC systems at the Lynn Theater
Quotes from two entities were presented to the board for AC repair. After consideration motion was made to table until additional information could be obtained from entities. Motion made by Dan Blakemore, seconded by Tommy Cox. Motion denied unanimously.
Motion made to continue discussion with White's Services on quote of \$29,800 and allow Dan Blakemore to work with company on specifics. Motion made by James Ryan, seconded by Gerri Lawing. Motion carried unanimously.
10. Discuss and Consider proposal from Cliff Anderson for the Lynn Theater
Motion to table made by James Ryan, seconded by Dan Blakemore. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE/FINANCIAL REPORTS

11. Financial Report – James Ryan and Christina Jahns
Ms. Jahns gave an overview of the new Quick Books reports.
12. Hwy 183 Beautification Committee – Tommy Cox
No updates
13. Governance Committee – Steve Sucher
Committee has met, reviewed agreements from other Texas cities and is working towards presenting a proposed agreement to the City of Gonzales.
14. Staff Update – BYK Phase I & II update – CEDA Nomination - Project Development, Gonzales Industrial Park Entrance Sign, Lynn Theater, Sleep Inn, Holiday Inn, Victoria College Workforce Training, Adult Education and Professional Training Series, Planned Development Zoning - Genora Young
Ms. Young gave the board an overview of current projects she is working on. She told the board BYK has completed the \$14 million/Phase I of their expansion. After a lien search it was discovered GEDC is in the 7th lien position with Sleep Inn/Holiday Inn.

**Motion made to Adjourn by Tommy Cox, seconded by Gerri Lawing. Carried unanimously.
President Dewey Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:43 P.M.**

Dewey Smith, Board President

Gerri Lawing, Board Secretary