

**MINUTES
CITY OF DENTON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD
April 14, 2021**

After determining that a quorum was present, the Economic Development Partnership Board convened on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, at 11:01 a.m., in the City Council Work Session Room at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas, 76201.

PRESENT: John Baines (Chair), Jill Jester (Vice Chair), Tina Albert, Bob Eames (joined at 11:20 a.m.), Jesse Davis, Steven Edgar, Gerard Hudspeth (joined at 11:30 a.m.), Jason Tomlinson, Pam Marrufo (ex-officio) and Jamie Wilson (ex-officio).

ABSENT: Tony Clark, Sara Hensley (ex-officio), Mark McLellan, Jimmy Mejia, and Lee Ramsey

Also present were Cory Lacy (Chamber of Commerce), Kay Brown-Patrick, Mack Reinwand, Jessica Rogers, Dan Rosenfield, and Erica Sullivan.

Note: Tina Albert, John Baines, Jesse Davis, Bob Eames, Steven Edgar, Gerard Hudspeth, Jill Jester, and Jason Tomlinson participated in the meeting via video/teleconference under the provisions allowed by the Texas Government Code Section 551.127.

1. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

A. EDP21-008 Consider approval of the minutes of February 10, 2021.

Davis made a motion to approve the minutes of February 10, 2021 as presented. Jester seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

AYES (6): Albert, Baines, Davis, Edgar, Jester, Tomlinson

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT WHEN VOTE TAKEN (2): Eames, Hudspeth

B. EDP21-009 Consider approval of the Economic Development Partnership Board 2021 annual meeting schedule.

Davis made a motion to approve the Economic Development Partnership Board 2021 annual meeting schedule. Edgar seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

AYES (6): Albert, Baines, Davis, Edgar, Jester, Tomlinson

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT WHEN VOTE TAKEN (2): Eames, Hudspeth

Bob Eames joined the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

C. EDP21-013 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding an update from the Downtown Economic Development Committee.

Staff presented the item. No action was taken.

D. EDP21-012 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding an economic development agreement with Hickory and Rail Ventures, LLC for Stoke Denton.

Jester made a motion to recommend to City Council to adopt an ordinance approving the program agreement with Hickory and Rail Ventures, LLC for the transfer of ownership and operation of Stoke Denton. Tomlinson seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

AYES (7): Albert, Baines, Davis, Eames, Edgar, Jester, Tomlinson

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT WHEN VOTE TAKEN (1): Hudspeth

Gerard Hudspeth joined the meeting at 11:31 a.m.

Jason Tomlinson left the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

E. EDP21-016 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding implementation of the Economic Development Strategic Plan.

Staff presented the item. No action was taken.

F. EDP21-015 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the Economic Development Partnership FY 2021-21 Second Quarter Activity Report.

Staff presented the item. No action was taken.

2. CONCLUDING ITEMS

None

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

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John Baines, Chair
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Jessica Rogers, Staff Liaison
Director of Economic Development

Minutes Approved On: 5/12/2021