

MINUTES
CITY OF DENTON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD
July 12, 2017

After determining that a quorum was present, the Economic Development Partnership Board convened on Wednesday, July 12, 2017, at 11:20 a.m. The meeting was held at the Denton Chamber of Commerce Board Room, Denton, Texas, 76201.

PRESENT: Jim Fykes, Carrell Ann Simmons, Larry Parker, Cleve Breedlove, John Baines, Jimmy Mejia, and Steve Edgar

ABSENT: Neal Smatresk, Carine Feyten, and Marty Rivers

EX-OFFICIO: Present: Chuck Carpenter, Jamie Wilson Absent: Todd Hileman

STAFF PRESENT: Scott Gray, Caroline Booth, Adam Gawarecki, Elizabeth Ruiz, Julie Glover, Kim Phillips, Karen Boenker, Erica Sullivan, Michelle Cunningham, Christina Davis, and Michelle Coughlin

GUESTS: Amanda Oringderff

1. WORK SESSION

A. EDP17-036 Receive a report and hold a discussion regarding developments and activities at Denton Enterprise Airport.

Booth introduced Scott Gray, the new Airport Manager. Gray gave an update on Denton Enterprise Airport activity, including its economic impact, current and future businesses, development opportunities, and the construction of the west parallel runway. Highlights from the presentation include:

- Denton Enterprise Airport is the 7th busiest airport in Texas, and brings in approximately 1.7 million in operating revenue.
- The new runway is a project of TXDOT, the plan is for it to be 75 feet wide, and 5,000 feet long. TXDOT's goal is to have construction completed by the end of 2018. This addition to the airport will be conducive for an aviation company hub. It will also serve as a revenue source, as jets will have the opportunity to land and refuel. The runway will ultimately be the main airport runway.

B. EDP17-039 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding nominations for the Business awards Breakfast.

Cunningham presented information about the awards breakfast and mentioned that each year the Economic Development Partnership Board recognizes a local business for its contribution to the economic growth and prosperity of the Denton Community, with a focus on public/private partnership investment in the City of Denton.

Cunningham provided a list of past recipients and asked the Board for recommendations for the 2017 Business Awards Breakfast. The board members would like to consider large, medium and small businesses when making their recommendation.

Booth mentioned the deadline for nominations will be July 19, 2017.

Breedlove asked staff to send an email, before the next Economic Development meeting, in order to share with the Board the collective list of nominee recommendations.

1. CLOSED MEETING

There was no closed Meeting.

2. REGULAR MEETING - 12:00 p.m.

A. EDP17-035 Staff Reports:

1. Upcoming City Council items for July 18, and July 25

Booth mentioned the following:

- On July 18 the Council will select the Economic Development Partnership Board nominating committee.
- Also on July 18, there will be a work session regarding an amendment to the Economic Development Partnership ordinance.
- Regarding July 25, Booth and Gawarecki will be making their 2017-2018 budget presentations to Council.

2. Chamber Activity Update.

Gawarecki mentioned there were seven new prospects in June, and spoke specifically about three current key projects. Gawarecki also gave a list of the number of EDPB followers on social media. He talked about marketing trips that he has completed, and noted that he will be making "Tier One" visits. He explained that "Tier One" visits take place only in major metropolitan areas.

Gawarecki also presented a list of the day to day Economic Development Program activity.

B. EDP 17-038 Consider approval of the minutes of the June 14, 2017 meeting.

Parker made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Fykes seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously with a vote of (7-0).

The Meeting adjourned at 12:08 p.m.