

**MINUTES
CITY OF DENTON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD
August 12, 2020**

After determining that a quorum was present, the Economic Development Partnership Board convened on Wednesday, August 12, 2020, at 11:00 a.m., in the City Council Work Session Room at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas, 76201.

PRESENT: Marty Rivers (Chair), John Baines (Vice Chair), Keely Briggs, Tony Clark, Chris Davis, Jesse Davis, Steve Edgar, Jill Jester, Mark McLellan, Jimmy Mejia, Jason Tomlinson, Erica Pangburn (ex-officio), Todd Hileman (ex-officio), and Jamie Wilson (ex-officio)

ABSENT: Bob Eames

Also present were Stuart Birdseye, Christina Davis, David Gaines, Mack Reinwand, Jessica Rogers, Erica Sullivan, and Charlie Dromgoole (Chamber of Commerce)

Note: Marty Rivers (Chair), John Baines (Vice Chair), Tony Clark, Chris Davis, Jesse Davis, Steve Edgar, Jill Jester, Mark McLellan, Jason Tomlinson, Erica Pangburn (ex-officio), Todd Hileman (ex-officio) and Jamie Wilson (ex-officio) participated in the meeting via video/teleconference under the provisions allowed by the Texas Government Code Section 551.127.

1. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

A. EDP20-030 Consider approval of the minutes of July 8, 2020.

Jester made a motion to approve the minutes of July 8, 2020. Baines seconded the motion. Motion carried (9-0).

AYES (9): Baines, Clark, C. Davis, J. Davis, Edgar, Jester, McLellan, Rivers, Tomlinson

NAYS (0):

ABSENT WHEN VOTE TAKE (2): Briggs, Mejia

ABSENT (1): Eames

B. EDP20-014 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding an incentive application for From the Future.

Briggs and Mejia arrived at the beginning of the presentation.

Sullivan presented the item. Discussion followed. Briggs made a motion to recommend to City Council approval of the incentive request for From the Future as recommended by staff in an amount not to exceed \$243,500. Jester seconded the motion. Motion carried (10-0).

AYES (10): Baines, Briggs, Clark, C. Davis, Edgar, Jester, McLellan, Mejia, Rivers, Tomlinson

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT WHEN VOTE TAKE (1): J. Davis

ABSENT (1): Eames

C. EDP20-031 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the comprehensive economic development strategic plan being completed by TIP Strategies, including but not limited to community economic development goals and vision; business attraction, retention, and expansion programs and strategies; marketing

and outreach; business support; education, labor, and workforce development; community advantages and disadvantages; incentives and related policies; development districts; and general economic development strategies, policies, tools and related matters.

Tom Stellman and Jaclyn Le of TIP Strategies presented the item. Discussion followed. Baines made a motion to recommend to City Council approval of the Economic Development Strategic Plan as presented. Tomlinson seconded the motion. Motion carried (8-0).

AYES (8): Baines, Briggs, Clark, Edgar, Jester, McLellan, Rivers, Tomlinson

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT WHEN VOTE TAKE (3): C. Davis, J. Davis, Mejia

ABSENT (1): Eames

D. EDP20-033 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding funding for economic development.

Rogers presented the item. Discussion followed. Jester made a motion to recommend to City Council to adopt the staff recommendation for funding of economic development. Motion carried (8-0)

AYES (8): Baines, Briggs, Clark, Edgar, Jester, McLellan, Rivers, Tomlinson

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT WHEN VOTE TAKE (3): C. Davis, J. Davis, Mejia

ABSENT (1): Eames

E. EDP20-034 Receive a report and hold a discussion regarding the nominations for the annual Business Awards.

Rogers presented the item. Discussion followed. No action was taken.

F. EDP20-035 Staff Reports:

1. Quarterly STAND Report

2. Net Revenue Report

3. Quarterly City ED Activity Report

4. Monthly Chamber Activity Report

No action was taken.

2. CONCLUDING ITEMS

None.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Marty Rivers, Chair
Economic Development Partnership Board

Jessica Rogers, Staff Liaison
Director of Economic Development

Minutes Approved On: _____