



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
THE CORPORATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
CITY OF BRIDGEPORT  
July 14, 2022**

The Board of Directors of the Economic Development Corporation met in called meeting on Tuesday, July 14, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. in the offices at 608 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Bridgeport, Texas.

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Corey Ingram, Susan Coffman, Fred Meyers, Alan Green, and David Lawson

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Leah Clark, Executive Director  
Amy Hiler, Operations & Special Projects Manager

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Chris Heasley and Mike Murray

**CALL TO ORDER:** Corey Ingram called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**INVOCATION:** Fred Meyers

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** City Manager, Mike Murray - updated about current projects at City.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

- Leah Clark reported that on June 30th, a Job Fair was held in partnership with Parks and Rec, Main Street, and City. 16 businesses and 40 job seekers participated. Christmas in July is this Saturday; volunteer opportunities are available. Taste Bridgeport will be September 24th - free ticket for volunteers
- Mike Murray and Chris Heasey presented an opportunity to BEDC for funding the engineering on the 1102 Halsell Street Park Project.

**STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Project Updates
  - Sales Tax - July income was reported to be around \$ 254,000, BEDC deposit should be about \$83,500

- Endeavor - Seasonal mowing has been done at Endeavor. Honey locust tree removal, getting rid of overburden, and Parks and Recreation road work (with grant money) will begin soon. Leah Clark attended a meeting with Atmos and city officials to discuss expansion of gas lines through Bridgeport - 10 miles from station at 16th St to Runaway Bay. They are planning to start expansion in August.
  - Dry Creek Retail Development - Framing has started on Whataburger. Brookshire's is planning an expansion for August that will include more prepared meals, sushi, fresh fish, and a fresh meat market. 15,000 sf expansion to come following residential development near them.
  - Marketing - ThinkMents is working on social and google. EDP Best Practices working on Endeavor marketing package. Survey on the Business Park area will be needed.
  - Project Spire 2.0 - No updates.
  - Main Street - Buildings are available for sale and/or lease.
  - BPW/Pantera Ventures - No updates.
  - New Commercial Businesses - Scooter's is open. American Communications has purchased a building on Hwy 101. They have a contract with county emergency communications. Nextlink is planning a broadband expansion - in ground and point to point.
- Financials - no questions.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**9:26 AM**

Pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, the BEDC reserves the right to convene in Executive Session(s) from time to time as deemed necessary during this meeting. The BEDC may convene into Executive Session to discuss the following:

1. Deliberation Regarding Real Property Section 551.072 (to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property)
  - a. Parcel number 1 (4 acres) at Endeavor - BEDC Board discussed the possibility of selling land at Endeavor to a prospect that would like to build a sports complex.

#### **OPEN SESSION**

**9:54 AM**

Pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, the BEDC will reconvene into open session to take any action necessary resulting from executive session discussion.

Susan Coffman made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting for June 30, 2022.

Alan Green seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

David Lawson made a motion to approve the financial statements as presented July 14, 2022.

Fred Meyers seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

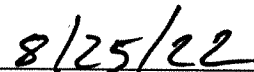
Alan Green made a motion to table the discussion for funding engineering for 1102 Halsell Street.  
Fred Meyers seconded the motion.  
Motion carried 5-0.

Susan Coffman made a motion to table adopting a financial investment policy for BEDC.  
David Lawson seconded the motion.  
Motion carried 5-0.

Fred Meyers made a motion to adjourn the meeting.  
Alan Green seconded the motion.  
Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

  
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Alan Green – EDC Board Second Secretary

  
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Date