

**LORENA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2020, AT 6:00 PM**

VIRTUAL MEETING ONLINE VIA ZOOM

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MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Verification of Agenda Posting

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm and Chairman Anderton noted that the meeting was posted in accordance with the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act and a quorum was present. Members Present: David Anderton, Kelly Yarbrough, Kyle Miller, Mark McLean, Chad Hanson, Bill Taverner and Steve Meadows. Members Absent: none. Also, Present: Consultant – Jason Mundo of Mundo and Associates; Eva Greenup – Lorena Chamber of Commerce;

2. Visitors Comments/Open Forum

No visitor comments.

3. Chairman's Report, EDC Mail and Communications

No report was given. No action was taken.

4. Discussion with Lorena Chamber representative on planning of a Downtown Revitalization Project.

The Board discussed with Lorena Chamber representative Eva Greenup initial thoughts regarding working with the Chamber on the planning of a Downtown Revitalization project. The discussion centered around possible events.

5. Discussion and possible action to approve the following:

EDC Meeting Minutes – September 15, 2020

The Board reviewed the September 15, 2020 meeting minutes. Bill Taverner moved to approve the September 15, 2020 meeting minutes. Steve Meadows seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

6. Discussion and possible action to approve the following:

EDC Financial Reports and bill payments – September 2020.

Treasurer Mark McLean presented the financial reports and bill payments. Kelly Yarbrough moved to approve the financial reports and bill payments for September 2020. Bill Taverner seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

7. Update on City of Lorena 2020 Comprehensive Plan.

Consultant Mundo updated the Board on City Council's adoption of the City of Lorena 2020 Comprehensive Plan. It was noted that the Comprehensive Plan is posted on the City website for viewing.

8. Update on City of Lorena Strategic Plan.

Consultant Mundo updated the Board that the Strategic Planning committee was progressing well with the Strategic Plan, had established goals, and would be working on establishing steps to take to progress toward those goals at their November 12 meeting.

9. Update on RKS Development – Villages of Lorena.

The Board discussed the proposed RKS Development – Villages of Lorena that was presented to City Council in open session at the September City Council meeting. Consultant Mundo noted that RKS said in the Council meeting that they would be submitting more detailed information to the City in October.

10. Update on Lorena TIRZ #1 East.

Consultant Mundo updated the Board on the TIRZ noting that residential developer Loera was proceeding with the platting process at the City while obtaining its grading permit and had begun moving dirt at the Arches residential development site on Rosenthal.

11. Update on Lorena Strategic Plan process.

The Board noted that this was an accidental repeat agenda item and no additional discussion occurred on this subject.

12. Update on parkland acquisition.

Chad Hanson updated the Board that the Lorena United Methodist Church was continuing internal discussions on approval of the sale of the lot to the LEDC for eventual parkland and that it still appeared to be moving in a positive direction.

13. Update on Lorena Gateway Monument Project.

Consultant Mundo updated the Board that he had reached out again to TxDOT and that TxDOT finally replied, but that TxDOT said they had not received nor reviewed the construction plans yet. Engineer Mundo noted that he would continue communication with TxDOT to ensure they receive and review the construction plans.

14. Update on Lorena Historic Trail.

Consultant Mundo updated the Board that Texas Parks and Wildlife Department was not returning his calls nor emails and that he would continue to reach them to receive feedback

on our unsuccessful trails grant application of 2020 to improve upon our grant application for 2021.

15: Executive Session:

The Board entered closed executive session at 7:05 pm.

The Lorena EDC Board of Directors will now hold a closed Executive Session meeting pursuant to Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code, discussion and deliberation regarding economic development negotiations:

- (1) To discuss regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate in Lorena.

16. Reconvene to Open Session:

And take any action necessary as a result of Executive Session.

The Board exited closed session and re-entered open session at 7:33 pm.

17. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 pm.

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

David Anderton,
Board Chairman

Date

Kyle Miller,
Board Secretary

Date