

**LORENA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2011, AT 6:00 P.M.**

**LORENA CITY HALL
222 N. Frontage Road, Lorena, Texas 76655**

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, John Taverner, Mark McLean, Mark Richardson, Kelly Yarbrough, John Johnston, and Michael Green. Members Absent: none. Also Present: Consultant – Jason Mundo of Mundo and Associates, Inc.

2. Visitor Comments/Open Forum

No visitor comments were received. No action was taken.

3. Welcoming of Michael Green and John Johnston as new Board Members of the EDC.

Chairman Anderton and The Board welcomed new Board Members Michael Green and John Johnston and briefed them on current activities of the EDC and activities of the past year. No action was taken.

4. Information Items

A. Chairman's Report

1. EDC Mail and Communications

No Action was Taken.

Action Items

4. Consent Agenda

A. Approve EDC Meeting Minutes – February 8, 2011

Mark Richardson moved to approve the minutes of February 8, 2011. Vice Chairman Taverner seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

5. Discussion and possible action to approve the Lorena EDC Financial Reports of February, 2011 and approval of bill payments.

Vice Chairman Taverner moved to approve the Lorena EDC Financial Reports of February, 2011 and approval of bill payments. Mark Richardson seconded

the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

6. Discussion and possible action on closeout and payment of Business Improvement Grant for Lorena Plaza.

Mark Richardson moved to approve the closeout of the Business Improvement Grant for Lorena Plaza and the payment of the grant award in the amount of \$5,000 to Lorena Plaza owner Nick Barrera. Vice Chairman Taverner seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

7. Discussion and possible action on improvements to the Downtown.

Vice Chairman Taverner presented his thoughts and ideas on additional improvements to the Downtown. Proposed improvements included additional parking spaces along McBrayer Street (both north and south of Center Street), removal of existing street illumination and associated overhead wiring to be replaced by antique period lighting, additional railing along the high curb points on Center Street, and mid-block handrails along with possible curb cutouts to assist pedestrians in climbing the high curbs along Center Street. The Board generally agreed to research this further beginning with Consultant Jason Mundo to research and create a cost estimate of proposed improvements. No action was taken.

8. Update by Consultant Jason Mundo on the TPWD Lorena Parks Grant Application.

Consultant Jason Mundo updated the Board that the resubmittal of the TPWD Lorena Parks Grant Application for the McBrayer Park Project was submitted to the TPWD at the end of February after much work on refinements and improvements to the McBrayer Park Project Application. Mr. Mundo said that he would be following the progress of the application review process and update the Board on any news. No action was taken.

9. Update by Consultant Jason Mundo on Lovett Ledger's Eagle Scout Project with McBrayer Park.

Consultant Jason Mundo updated the Board that Lovett Ledger would like to delay his meeting and proposal to the Board until the April EDC Meeting due to further research and preparation needed. No action was taken.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 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.

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_____ David Anderton, Board Chairman	_____ Date	_____ Kelly Yarbrough, Board Secretary	_____ Date
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