# McKinney Economic Development Corporation October 2019 Organizational Report

Peter Tokar MEDC President

#### MEDC Board of Directors,

I had the pleasure this past month to participate in the Governor Abbott's Trade Mission to Japan. During the trip we spent one week in Japan visiting Japanese companies that have either made a recent investment in Texas or those companies looking for investment opportunities in Texas. In addition to business prospecting, the trip provided a great introduction to the Governor himself, his executive staff and the Texas Economic Development Corporation led by Robert Allen. Only a limited number of delegates are afforded the opportunity and I am fortunate McKinney was able to participate.

September 30<sup>th</sup> marks the close of our 2018-2019 Fiscal Year. I believe the MEDC had an exceptional year for being a year in transition. Our pipeline looks strong to close out the calendar year and we stand to mark 2019 as our most successful capital investment year to date. We have a new bar set for our 2020 goals and I believe we will only see record numbers in the future.

-Peter

# **President's Report:**

#### A. Organizational Updates

- **New Staff Position:** The search will soon be underway for a new MEDC VP of Business Intelligence. This role will replace the former Data & Research Specialist and bring the position to a more prominent standing within the organization. With such a heavy importance on data, analytics and research, we need a seasoned professional for this position that can innovate new ways in which we collect, report and distribute data through the organization.
- Japan Trade Mission: Peter Tokar participated in the Governor's Office International Trade Mission to Japan on September 19<sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup>. The delegation included EDC's and Partners from around the state. Our mission was to engage those Japanese companies that have recently made an investment in Texas as well as meet companies that are interested in Texas as an investment opportunity.

#### B. Organizational Activity Report (September 2019)

RFPs received: 4RFPs responded to: 2

Total Pipeline Projects: 12New Pipeline Projects: 1Project Visits: 1

#### C. Marketing / Communications (September 2019)

Marketing Update:

Marketing Trips: 4Marketing Events: 5

- **MEDC Marketing Executive:** We will soon be on the hunt for a new MEDC Marketing Executive. Our Social Media Manager is no longer with us and we are developing the position to take a more active role in overall organizational marketing rather than just focusing on Social Media.
- **MEDC/City of McKinney Collaboration:** We are in the planning phase with the Chamber of Commerce on our next roundtable series and TECH TALK events.
- Marketing Automation: Launched a targeted quarterly development update newsletter to the professional site selector network. Staff is working on developing a broker newsletter as well. The next launch is scheduled for January 2020.
- Marketing Video: https://drive.google.com/open?id=1mJlaOOtH1WW2ULclgKtdgYfFXYX9Xiyh
- Website Launch: We are officially launched as uniquemckinney.com. Thanks to the City
  Marketing Department for helping finalize the transition of our old URL to our new
  servers so we can properly optimize the new site.
- Social Media Campaigns: Centipede has reorganized our Social Media Campaign
  calendar and will be continuing our social media presence in absence of the Social
  Media Manager. We should experience no lapse in content release.

#### D. Technology Infrastructure Updates

- Communication Plan:
  - The Wireless Technology FAQ has been completed and published. This is the
    first step in establishing outward facing communication with the community in a
    partnership with the City. <a href="https://www.mckinneytexas.org/2209/Wireless-Technology-5G">https://www.mckinneytexas.org/2209/Wireless-Technology-5G</a>
  - The timeline for community forums focused on wireless technology has shifted due to the selection of the consulting firm being delayed until late October.
- 5G Committee: Interviews were completed on Sept 27. The committee selected an
  external wireless consulting firm. The task is with the City Manager's Office &
  Purchasing to negotiate contract details. A report is expected to go before council in late
  October.

#### E. Business Retention & Expansion (September 2019)

BRE Visits: 6Annual BRE Total: 79Businesses Assisted: 1

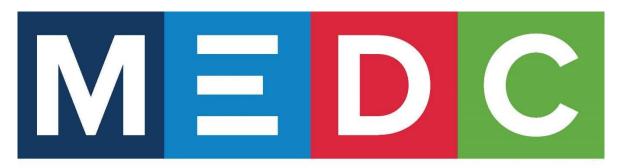
 BRE Partner Events: The next scheduled event is Tech Talks-Risky Business on October 22<sup>nd</sup> at Tech Culture.

#### F. MEDC Committee Updates

- **Real Estate Committee:** The real estate committee met on September 18<sup>th</sup> at McKinney City Hall. The committee viewed a presentation from a mixed-use developer that is interested in starting a project in McKinney. The committee heard the presentation and directed staff to follow-up with them on formulating a formal proposal.
- Marketing Committee: The marketing committee held a meeting on September 17<sup>th</sup>. We reviewed the new website before the official launch, engaged in discussion about social media strategy and discussed the launch of our targeted email campaigns through our marketing automation software.
- **Finance Committee:** Next meeting to be scheduled in November.

#### **G.** Upcoming Events

- Monday, October 21st SRS Topping Out
- Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> BRE Tech Talk
- Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup> CoreNet Golf Tournament
- Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup> MEDC Holiday Party at Local Yocal, more details to follow



# **McKinney Economic Development Corporation**

Social Media Report

September 1, 2019 – September 30, 2019

#### Overview:

We would love to have all board members follow and like our Social platforms.

- Twitter, LinkedIn, Facebook and Instagram.

All social platforms are organic followers/likes. No paid Ads.

Our Social Media Campaign has launched and is thriving.

We are seeing a lot of interest and activity happening on social media. We are reaching more viewers and people daily. We connect and tag others that are within the post. Knowledge that our platforms are live is important for growing our following.

#### **Events**:

- HUB 121 Development Update September 5, 2019. Kenneth Sipiora Chairman spoke on behalf of Peter Tokar. Thank you again Ken.
  - HUB 121 development update had a great turn out. It was a packed event. All updates for the community and
- NTCAR at Gilley's in Dallas.
  - We had 42 form submissions on our Website for NTCAR. All emails are in the system for our email campaigns.
- Peter Tokar trip to Japan for Greg Abbott's Trade Mission.
- Danny Chavez trip to Long Beach, CA for Team Texas West EC.
  - o MEDC social platform are showing interest in the trips are team members have been on.
- Our Executives and Cars in McKinney project has begun.
  - We have tested the vehicle Audi agreed to sponsor. We tested the equipment for the day of. All equipment works well. We are scheduling our first couple of executives for the Executives and Cars in McKinney. We are excited to launch this part of our campaign.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

TxEDC – Regional Business Summit

Tech Talk McKinney – October 22 at 11:30AM

McKinney Chamber Quarterly Luncheon

## <u>Facebook</u>

### **Total Number of Likes – 384**

Our top post for the month of September was the Playful Corporation.

09/30/2019 9:41 AM	Update on the McKinney National Airport. Follow link to view a status		0	80	4 8		Boost Post
09/25/2019 6:30 PM	MEDC - McKinney Economic Development Corporation and	<b></b>	•	101	20 8		Boost Post
09/25/2019 4:18 PM	Our President of McKinney EDC, Peter Tokar at the Governor Greg		•	126	12 7		Boost Post
09/24/2019 12:05 PM	Executive Terminal at McKinney National Airport Goes Vertical.	S	0	110	5 50		<b>Boost Post</b>
09/23/2019 12:10 PM	2019 CFO of the Year Awards! Congratulations to Shawn Mural	S	0	135	11 11		Boost Post
09/19/2019 12:52 PM	A member of our executive team will be joining the governor's office	S	•	78	1 8		Boost Post
09/19/2019 6:55 AM	An exciting time for the McKinney Air Center. The construction at the	S	0	147	8 25		Boost Post
09/17/2019 12:15 PM	How can we help your business grow in #McKinney, Texas?	S	<b>@</b>	98	5 9		Boost Post
09/13/2019 12:05 PM	The UNT Social Economic Research Group found that	S	<b>@</b>	91	3 19		Boost Post
09/11/2019 12:30 PM	#McKinney-based Playful Corp. recently raised \$23 million from	S	0	144	20 237		Boost Post
09/11/2019 10:28 AM	Never forget. #911	<b></b>	0	82	7 7		Boost Post
09/10/2019 5:30 AM	McKinney, Texas ranking Top 10 for "best" housing markets & Top	S	0	65	2 2		Boost Post
09/09/2019 6:10 AM	Tech Culture McKinney offers 25,000 square feet of co-working	<b></b>	0	338	29 14	1	Boost Post
09/05/2019 12:19 PM	A packed house this morning at TPC Craig Ranch for the HUB 121	<b></b>	•	144	48 10		Boost Post
09/02/2019 7:45 AM	Happy Labor Day from McKinney Economic Development	<u>_</u>	0	84	0 5		Boost Post

#### **Twitter**

#### **Total number of Followers: 282**

Our top Tweet, Follower, Mention are below.

Sep 2019 · 30 days

TWEET HIGHLIGHTS

Top Tweet earned 2,784 impressions

2019 #CFO of the Year Awards!

#Congratulations to Shawn Mural Vice President of Finance and CFO, #Raytheon Space and Airborne Systems.

bizjournals.com/dallas/news/20...

#UniqueMcKinney #McKinney #Texas #R aytheon #Headquarters #NorthTexas #DF W #EconDev

Top mention earned 28 engagements

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Danny Chavez

@DannyChavezTX · Sep 11

Growth is happening everywhere in #McKinney especially in our #tech sector #development #GameDeveloper #gamed ev #Dallas #DFW #texas @PlayfulStudios @McKinneyTxEDC @dallasnews dallasne ws.com/business/techn...

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SEP 2019 SUMMARY

Tweets

Tweet impressions 10.3K

Profile visits

86

Mentions 18

New followers
Currently unavailable

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Top media Tweet earned 533 impressions

The new SRS Distribution at northwest corner of SH 121 and Alma Road.

@SRSDistribution @gensler\_design @KD C\_Development

#UniqueMcKinney #EconDev #Growth #H eadqaurters #RealEstate #HUB121 #McKi nney #Texas #DFW #NorthTexas #Econo micDevelopment pic.twitter.com/bNeoBn Wemu



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#### Top Follower followed by 4,422 people



CS Europe

@Export2Europe FOLLOWS YOU

We help US exporters compete and win in global markets. Located in 78 markets and 100 US cities. Part of @TradeGov and an official @CommerceGov account.

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View followers dashboard

#### **Instagram**

#### **Total Number of Followers: 258**

Our top post for Instagram was the HUB 121 Development event.



#### **LinkedIn**

#### **Total number of LinkedIn Followers: 79**

Our top post for LinkedIn was Danny Chavez Team Texas event.



McKinney Economic Development Corporation SVP Danny Chavez representing Team Texas at #WESTEC2019 in Long Beach, CA this week.

#Jobs #EconDev #Texas #McKinney #DFW #Dallas #Relo #NorthTexas



