

## MCKINNEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

SEPTEMBER 18, 2018

The McKinney Economic Development Corporation met in regular session in the Council Chambers, 222 N. Tennessee Street, McKinney, Texas, on September 18, 2018 at 8:00 am.

Board members Present: Chairman Jason Burress, Vice Chairman Paul Merritt, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Clark, Kenneth Sipiora, Joe Minissale and Michael Jones.

**18-764** Chairman Burress called for Board and Liaison Updates. Chairman Burress announced the names of two new Board Members that will start next month, former Mayor Brian Loughmiller and Patrick Cloutier. Chairman Burress continued, I had the honor of moderating the two panels at the McKinney Bisnow event highlighting the hwy 121 blue diamond corridor that was held at the Sheraton Hotel. The event went very well.

City of McKinney – City Manager Paul Grimes reported last night City Council adopted the FY2018-2019 budget. US380 continues to be a topic of intense interest TxDot is going to host a second round of public meetings. They listened to us and listened to the public, made some adjustments and are coming back for three more public input sessions. Those dates are Thursday, October 4 at Independence High School in Frisco, Tuesday, October 9 at Collin College Conference Center in McKinney and Thursday, October 11 at Princeton High School. All meetings will be from 6:00-8:00 PM.

Chamber of Commerce – Chamber President Lisa Hermes reported we started a Development Update Series. The first one was held on October 1<sup>st</sup> in Craig Ranch where we focused on what was happening in the Craig Ranch area. It also provided opportunities for the development community to network and for the Planning Department to share updates. The next one will be held October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 7:30-9:30 and will focus on downtown development. It will be held at MPAC. Amy

Rosenthal will be moderating the panel, which includes Robert Shaw, Assistant City Manager Barry Shelton and Karen Klassen with Spoons. We are working on securing the fourth person for the panel which will be someone from the commercial real estate community. Had a great turnout, had over 100 people in attendance. We are working with the City's Planning Department putting together a Development Committee which consists of representatives from City Council, Planning and Zoning, the Chamber Board, the business community as well as the development community. They will meet periodically to help provide feedback on the process of getting a permit, ordinances and codes. Hopefully this will be a great opportunity to connect businesses to people who are making policy. We are in the final week of Best of McKinney voting. The focus is to get our residents/readers to vote on who they think is the best of McKinney. The underlying goal is to promote and highlight businesses and services so that our residences continue to shop locally utilize all the wonderful businesses here in McKinney.

Convention and Visitors Bureau - Executive Director Dee-dee Guerra reported our Board met last month for our strategic planning session. We meet again on the 20<sup>th</sup> of this month and will be approving our KPI's. The NAACP will be here October 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>. We are having a Welcome Ceremony for them. Thank you to our sponsors, Gather, MCDC, McKinney Boyd High School Band and Main Street. We are very excited to announce McKinney ISD submitted an RFP for the NCAA Division II Championship Game.

**18-765** Chairman Burress called for the Consideration/Discussion of the MEDC Staff Monthly Reports. President Tokar shared the progress he has made in the 60 days since his hire which was all covered in the report that was submitted.

Chairman Burress called for Citizen Comments and there were none.

Chairman Burress called for Board comments. Chairman Burress thanked Robbie Clark for his long standing service. Chairman Burress continued, personally speaking you've been a real confidante to me. I appreciate all that you've done for me and the City of McKinney.

Mr. Clark acknowledged the MEDC staff for doing a great job over the past 5 years. Mr. Clark continued, thank you MEDC Board for your service and the time we've had together. We've brought a great man in, and I know Peter will do a great job for McKinney. It's always the personal relationships that you gain when you serve on a board that you miss.

Chairman Burress recessed the meeting into Executive Session at 8:17 AM. In Accordance with the Texas Government Code: A. Section 551.071 (2). Consultation with General Counsel on any Work Session, Special or Regular Session agenda item requiring confidential, attorney/client advice necessitated by the deliberation or discussion of said items (as needed) and legal consultation on the following item(s), if any: B. Section 551.087. Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Matters on the following projects, Project Todd, Project Garden and Project Tahiti. I do anticipate that we will be taking action on one or more items once we return from Executive Session. Chairman Burress reconvened the meeting to open session at 9:43 AM. Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Sipiora, seconded by Board member Minissale to approve the incentive agreement as presented to us by staff and within the same motion to approve the building and garage design presented regarding Project Todd.

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Minissale, seconded by Vice Chairman Merritt, to approve Project Garden as presented in Executive Session.

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Jones, seconded by Board member Sipiora, to approve Project Tahiti as presented in Executive Session.

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Sipiora, seconded by Chairman Burress to adjourn. Chairman Burress adjourned the meeting at 9:49 pm.

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JASON BURRESS  
Chairman