

MCKINNEY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

JUNE 20, 2013

The McKinney Community Development Corporation met in special session in the McKinney Performing Arts Center, 111 N. Tennessee, McKinney, Texas, on June 20, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

Chairman George Fuller called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

Board members present: George Fuller, Jason Burress, Kevin Griffin, Colleen Smith, and Dan Hall. Board members Michael Puhl and Scott Elliott were absent.

Staff present: Executive Director Cindy Schneible and Administrative Assistant Connie Gibson.

There were several guests present.

13-620 Consider/Discuss Project Components for a Potential Aquatic Facility in McKinney, Texas. George Fuller reviewed a PowerPoint presentation highlighting area aquatic facilities that had been visited by the board. Various components of the facilities were discussed. Pool size, water park features, and other amenities to the facilities were shown.

George Fuller asked for any public comments. Several people commented. Comments included the need for more swimming facilities for the school swim teams, the need for facilities to accommodate spectators during competitions, the need for lanes for competitive swimming, and that many McKinney residents have taken their kids to area swim teams due to the lack of adequate facilities in McKinney. Mayor Loughmiller spoke as a citizen and pointed out that triathlon groups are another group that would benefit from a pool.

Kevin Griffin asked an audience member if the school district has any plans to expand the pool. The answer was no, there are no plans at this time.

George Fuller commented that the MCDC board is struggling with not only the issue of construction costs for an aquatic facility, but also the maintenance costs. Many pools in the area have yearly operational deficits of up to \$500,000.

Brian Loughmiller asked if there had been any conversations with M.I.S.D. as to whether or not they would lease pool time in a new facility. Executive Director Cindy

Schneible stated that Dr. Kennedy indicated they are not interested and they feel the McKinney High School pool adequately serves the district needs.

George Fuller stated the board is considering all amenities associated with an aquatic facility.

A citizen commented that the Allen natatorium facility seems perfect. She commented that a good deal of money leaves McKinney since parents are spending money on gas, shopping, food, etc. in the process of transporting kids to and from practices and meets.

George Fuller commented that he would prefer to drive out of town for a water park, but he knows those types of facilities do operate in the black. Strictly competitive swim facilities typically operate with large deficits. The MCDC board has been tasked by City Council with getting the aquatic facility project back on track. The project has been stalled for a number of years because of the recession and the need for M.I.S.D. to back out of the project. The board will consider all elements of an aquatic facility, and then how the facility will be paid for.

Kevin Griffin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jason Burress seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

GEORGE FULLER
Chairman