**MCKINNEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

**JULY 20, 2026**

The McKinney Economic Development Corporation met in regular session in the City Hall Council Chambers, 401 E. Virginia Street, McKinney, Texas, on Monday, July 20th at 8:00 a.m.

Board members Present: Chairman Brian Loughmiller, Vice Chairman Kurt Kuehn, Secretary/Treasurer Thad Helsley, Julie Williams, Scott Woodruff, Robert Hamilton, and alternate Chantelle Kadala.

Absent: Mark Denissen

City Council Present: Councilman Ernest Lynch.

Staff Present: MEDC President Michael Kowski, MEDC Chief of Staff / Director of Strategy & Operations Glynnis Woolridge, MEDC Project Manager Paula Date, MEDC Interim Executive Assistant Keisha Wood-Youngblood, MCDC Administrative and Marketing Coordinator Anahi Vega, MEDC Project Manager Troy Billett, City Manager Paul Grimes, City Attorney Mark Houser, Audio/Visual Technician Joshua Arias, Assistant Finance Director Chance Miller, and Visit McKinney Executive Director Aaron Werner.

There was 1 guest present.

Chairman Loughmiller called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m. after determining a quorum present.

Chairman Loughmiller called for Public Comments or items on the agenda and there were none.

**26-0691** Chairman Loughmiller called for the Minutes of the McKinney Economic Development Corporation Meeting of May 19, 2026.

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Woodruff, seconded by Secretary/Treasurer Helsley, to approve the Minutes of the McKinney Economic Development Corporation Meeting of May 19, 2026.

**26-0692** Chairman Loughmiller called for Board and Liaison Updates.

City of McKinney- City Manager Paul Grimes announced the Red, White and BOOM! Drew a record crowd of about 30,000 people to Towne Lake on the 4th of July. This was the second year in a row at Towne Lake. Next year, the event will likely return to the soccer fields. Mr. Grimes

announced construction on Erwin Park will begin on August 10th. The Bob and Barbara Tomes Dog Park construction contract was approved by the Parks Board on July 9th and will go to City Council on August 4th. The dog park is located east of Towne Lake. McKinney National Airport will have a runway closure this Friday as part of the work associated with the north runway extension project. The purpose of the closure is to remove the temporary threshold markings and install the new runway markings. City Council Work Session tomorrow will have updates on parkland dedication requirements and the “Better Together” initiative.

Visit McKinney- Executive Director Aaron Werner announced Visit McKinney created 250 coins; on one side is the official America 250 branding and on the other is icons from McKinney. It was a fun way for the community to engage, earned by completing a historic walking tour, using the Visit McKinney app to take a self-guided tour to visit six different sites, or finding a coin hidden daily by Visit McKinney staff. Mr. Werner announced the World Cup wrapped up yesterday and noted it will be difficult to track overnight international guest stays in McKinney. There were some McKinney Airbnb spots000000 featured on several news channels and the visitor’s center was filled every day. The AC Hotel in Craig Ranch now has signs on it. There are suites on all four corners with floor to ceiling glass where you can see the trails below. There will be a restaurant operating on the top floor that will be open to anyone. The hotel is slated for an October opening. Mr. Werner noted Drum Corps International is tonight.

MEDC Committee Updates:

Marketing Committee- Board member Williams announced that there was no update.

Finance Committee- Vice Chairman Kuehn announced that there was no update.

Innovation Committee- Alternate Kadala announced that the Innovation Committee has a meeting coming up.

Real Estate Committee- Secretary/Treasurer Helsley announced the Real Estate Committee has several items to discuss today in Executive Session.

Governance Committee- Chairman Loughmiller announced the Governance Committee did not meet.

Board Chairman- Chairman Loughmiller announced that he has had the opportunity to travel to other places and finds himself constantly comparing them to McKinney, which makes him that much more impressed with our downtown.

**26-0693** Chairman Loughmiller called for the MEDC Monthly Reports.

Organizational Report- MEDC President Kowski announced there was a great tour of the Emerson facility last month. Mr. Kowski announced that the latest Innovation Unwind was held at Tupps and was the largest attended so far, with great feedback. Mr. Kowski congratulated everyone on the LiteOn announcement.

**26-0694** Chairman Loughmiller called for the May 2026 Financials. Assistant Finance Director Chance Miller announced there was a little over $2.5 million dollars, the majority of which was from sales tax revenue. For expenditures, there was $300,000 in operational expenses, $1,000 in project expenses, and $556,000 in non-departmental expenses, the majority of which was the monthly transfer to the INS fund. May collections apply to the month of March. We had an 8.6% increase, Allen had a 2.3% increase, Frisco had a 7% increase, and Plano had a 6.4% increase. Allen had a positive audit collection and had a true decrease from period to period. McKinney, Frisco, and Plano had no audit collections.

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Williams, seconded by Board member Hamilton, to approve the May 2026 Financials.

Chairman Loughmiller called for Public Comments for items not on the agenda and there were none.

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Chairman Loughmiller recessed the meeting into Executive Session at 8:17 a.m.

Chairman Loughmiller reconvened the meeting into open session at 9:17 a.m.

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Vice Chairman Kuehn, seconded by Board member Woodruff, to approve terms for Project Plum Blossom as discussed in Executive Session.

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Hamilton, seconded by Secretary/Treasurer Helsley, to Adjourn.

Chairman Loughmiller adjourned the meeting at 9:18 a.m.

A video recording of this meeting is available through the City of McKinney meeting archive.

These minutes were approved by the MEDC members on September 15, 2026.

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BRIAN S. LOUGHMILLER
Chairman

ATTEST:

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THAD HELSLEY
Secretary/Treasurer