

**CITY OF FREEPORT**  
**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**  
200 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Freeport, Texas 77541

STATE OF TEXAS            )  
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COUNTY OF BRAZORIA    )  
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CITY OF FREEPORT        )  
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BE IT REMEMBERED that the Economic Development Corporation of the City of Freeport met in regular session Thursday, July 20, 2017 at the Freeport EDC Office, 200 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Freeport, TX, for the purpose of considering the agenda items.

**MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:**    Quorum Present

Jason Travis  
Tray Sullivan  
Brad Stephens  
Ed Garcia  
Jeff Pena  
Roy Yates  
Mark Friudenberg  
    Jennifer Hawkins: Director  
    Nat Hickey: Administrator  
    Chris Duncan: Attorney  
    Nicole Mireles: City Council Liasion

**Visitors in Attendance:**

Wright Gore  
Melanie Oldham

**1. OPEN SESSION:**

Director Travis opened the meeting at 6:00 PM. Quorum was present.

**2. Oath of Directors:** City Secretary Delia Munoz administered oath of office to all board members.

**3. Election of Officers:**

With a motion by Director Yates and a second by Director Friudenberg it was VOTED:

Bob Welch will remain as treasurer.

VOTE:            Yea 7            No 0

With a motion by Director Yates and a second by Director Friudenberg it was VOTED:

Jennifer Hawkins will continue as secretary.

VOTE:            Yea 7            No 0

With a motion by Director Friudenberg and a second by Director Yates it was VOTED:

Director Jason Travis as EDC President

VOTE:            Yea 7            No 0

With a motion by Director Friudenberg and a second by Director Yates it was VOTED:

Director Trey Sullivan as EDC Vice President

VOTE:            Yea 7            No 0

**4. Citizens Comments:**

Melanie Oldham questioned whether it was proper to have the EDC audit conducted together with the City of Freeport audit. She noted that the procedure recently changed. She was concerned whether the EDC funds and City funds are property segregated.

**5. Approval of Minutes from May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017:**

Upon a motion by Director Yates and a second by Director Friudenberg, it was VOTED:

To approve Minutes from May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017

VOTE:            Yea 7            No 0

**6. Payment of bills:**

With a motion by Director Yates and a second by Director Friudenberg it was VOTED: Pay Reliant energy bill in amount of \$238.75 for Western Seafood office.

VOTE:                      Yea 7                      No 0

**7. Sponsorship requests for Fishin' Fiesta and KidFest:**

Upon a motion by Director Yates and a second by Director Friudenberg, it was VOTED:

Each organization would receive \$2500.00 for a total of \$5000.00

VOTE:                      Yea 7                      No

**8. Update on Kendig Keast Master Plan:**

Tabled until next meeting. New board members need to review adequately before voting on whether to accept Port Freeport's changes. Director Hawkins will email pertinent documents and a meeting will be called for on 7.27.17.

**9. Update on Waterfront Zoning:**

Attorney Duncan informed that going forward we should: request a joint public hearing with City Council and Planning and Zoning Committee. Mr. Duncan asked council liaison, Ms. Mireles to request a meeting date from council that gives enough time to send letters to all land and property holders within 200' of proposed area changes. All waterfront properties within the proposed zoning area would be zoned 'PUD' 2. Public Unit Development.

**10. Update on application for designated Art District by Texas Commission on the Arts:**

Application has been completed, including booklet application and video presentation. Winners will be announced in September 2017.

**11. Report on City Tax Revenue by Attorney Duncan:**

Attorney Duncan compiled data including sales tax per capita, property values, property tax rates, property tax revenue, property tax revenue per capita and total tax revenue per capita for Alvin, Angleton, Clute, Lake Jackson and Freeport.

**12. Budget Update:**

Tabled until 7.27.14 meeting.

**The Board left open session and retired into executive session at 6:53 pm.**

**President Travis closed executive session and returned to open session at 7:23 pm**

1. Upon a motion by Director Yates and a second by Director Friudenberg, it was VOTED:  
Mr. Brooks application for a façade grant from EDC did not follow EDC guidelines and would be denied.

VOTE:                      Yea 7                      No 0

The meeting was adjourned by President Travis at 7:31 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Hawkins  
Executive Director