

CITY OF FREEPORT
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
200 West 2nd Street, Freeport, Texas 77541

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COUNTY OF BRAZORIA)
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BE IT REMEMBERED that the Economic Development Corporation of the City of Freeport met Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at the Freeport EDC Office, 200 West 2nd Street, Freeport, TX, for the purpose of considering the agenda items.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT: Quorum Present

Jason Travis: President
Trey Sullivan
Brad Stephens
Roy Yates
Mark Friedenberg
Jeff Pena

Chris Duncan: Attorney
Jennifer Hawkins: Director
Nat Hickey: Administrator
Nicole Mireles: Council Liaison

GUESTS PRESENT:

Melanie Oldham
Wes Tidwell

OPEN SESSION:

President Travis opened the meeting at 6:00 pm. Quorum was present.

Citizens Comments: None

Approval of Minutes for November 7, 2017.

Upon Motion by Director Sullivan and second by Director Fruidenberg, it was VOTED to accept the Minutes:

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Motion Prevailed.

1. **Update and discussion regarding Skinner Street project:** approximately 93 lots available for residential development off of Skinner Street. EDC needs clear titles to all lots. Mr. Hickey will put in a request for a quote to get title opinions on all lots.
2. **Consideration of participation in annual calendar:** canceled due to payment of calendar completed through ad sales.
3. **Update on Gardo's Properties:** Western Seafood property will legally revert to Gore's around middle of December according to Lynn Klement.
4. **Update on Strategic Community Plan:** focus groups for industry, real estate and citizens will be selected for next KKC meeting on Tuesday, January 16th. The first town hall meeting will occur the same date in the evening at 6:00 pm at River Place.
5. **Discussion concerning 2018 EDC projects.** At prior meeting, President Travis instructed the board to come up with ideas concerning 2018 EDC projects.
Administrator Hickey suggested: water sports such as boat racing, jet ski and paddle board rentals.
President Travis suggested: Billfish tournament
Vice-president Sullivan suggested we find answers from KKC as to why engineers who work here will live in Pearland but not Freeport.
Director Pena suggested beach related activities: rental for beach chairs, etc. Pena suggested ideas for collecting revenue from beach use

such as: a toll road, permits to use beach, and a possible scholarship program for high school students who volunteer to clean the beach. He also asked if EDC could put in housing. Attorney Duncan stated EDC can give benefits to developers in the form of loans and bonds. EDC can also build and sell or give funds or land.

6. **Discuss bylaw changes:** Bylaws will be adjusted by attorney Duncan to include the following: any board member who misses 3 inexcusable consecutive meetings will lose their seat on the board and be replaced.
7. **Payment of bills:** first installment for Strategic Community Plan from Kendig Keast Colloberative, October services: \$3542.00.
8. **Budget Update:** Monthly financial statement, bank account statement, comptrollers report and copy of deposited check for October presented to board members for review.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted:
Jennifer Hawkins
Director