

Waxahachie Community Development Corporation
July 9, 2024

A regular meeting of the Waxahachie Community Development Corporation (WCDC) was held in the Hatchet Conference Room at the Charles Beatty Municipal Services Building, 408 S. Rogers, Waxahachie, Texas on Tuesday, July 9, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

Members Present: Billie Wallace, Mayor
Michael Scott, City Manager
Bob Lynn
David McSpadden
Jim Phillips

Members Absent: Daniel Morton, President
Elizabeth Tull, Vice President

Ex-Officio Chad Tustison, Senior Director of Finance
Member Present:

Ex-Officio Kevin Strength, President/CEO Chamber of Commerce
Members Absent: Amber Villarreal, City Secretary

Others Present: Gumaro Martinez, Executive Director of Parks & Leisure Services
Laurie Mosley, Director of Convention & Visitors Bureau
Chris Seale, Horticulturist
Jami Bonner, Assistant City Secretary

1. Call to Order

Mayor Billie Wallace called the meeting to order.

2. Public Comments

None.

3. Approval of minutes of the Waxahachie Community Development Corporation regular meeting of May 14, 2024 and special meeting of June 11, 2024

Action:

David McSpadden moved to approve minutes of the WCDC regular meeting of May 14, 2024 and special meeting of June 11, 2024. Motion was seconded by Jim Phillips and carried unanimously (5-0).

4. Hear, discuss, and consider FY 2025 Budget requests

Chad Tustison, Director of Finance, presented the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2025. He reviewed the Five-Year operating requests for the Civic Center, Sports Complex, and Community Beautifications. Projected revenue is \$9,061,153 and total expenses from base budget and budget requests equates to \$7,580,551. Mr. Tustison noted that sales tax is healthy and he recommends a conservative growth of 3%. The FY 2025 ending balance is projected at \$3,660,331, after meeting the 25% reserve.

Action:

David McSpadden moved to approve the Waxahachie Community Development Corporation Fiscal Year 2025 Budget with an amendment to include \$275,000 for park signage. Motion was seconded by Bob Lynn and carried unanimously (5-0).

5. Consider contribution for YMCA Cindy Hess Memorial Park

The Item was presented by City Manager Michael Scott.

Action:

Michael Scott moved to approve a funding request of \$750,000 for public park amenities at the YMCA Cindy Hess Memorial Park including outdoor restrooms, a playground, and a walking trail path. Motion was seconded by David McSpadden and carried unanimously (5-0).

6. Discuss and consider additional interior fencing at the Sports Complex

The Item was presented by Executive Director of Parks & Leisure Services Gumaro Martinez. The proposed fencing project addresses the requirement for tournament directors using the complex to facilitate the collection of gate fees during tournaments. Currently, staff has erected temporary fencing composed of t-posts and green plastic mesh to meet this need. The proposed fencing improvements would enhance crowd control in the plaza areas, enable the collection of gate fees during tournaments, and align more aesthetically with recent improvements to the complex. The funding for the additional interior fencing project will come from the cost savings generated by the turf and wrought iron fencing capital improvement projects approved with the FY2024 budget.

Action:

Jim Phillips moved to approve the additional fencing project as presented by staff, and award the bid to Fidencio Macedo in the amount of \$95,350, with an additional 5% contingency in the amount of \$4,700, and authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents. Motion was seconded by David McSpadden and carried unanimously (5-0).

7. Hear update of activities from Convention & Visitors Bureau Director

The Item was presented by Convention & Visitors Bureau Director Laurie Mosley.

8. Hear update of activities at the Civic Center

Civic Center Director April Ortiz's report served as her update.

9. Hear update of Community Beautification

The Item was presented by Horticulturist Chris Seale.

10. Hear update of activities at the Sports Complex

Assistant Director James Villarreal's report served as his update.

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11. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jami Bonner

Assistant City Secretary