MINUTES
CITY OF DENTON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD
January 8, 2025

After determining that a quorum was present, the Economic Development Partnership Board convened in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, at 11:03 a.m. in Training Rooms 3, 4, and 5 at the City of Denton Development Services Center, 401 N Elm St, Denton, Texas, 76201 at which the following items were considered:

PRESENT: Steven Edgar (Chair), Tony Clark (Vice-Chair), Jeremy Fykes, Kerry Goree, Gerard Hudspeth, Paul Meltzer, Lee Ramsey, Aaron Roberts, Jason Tomlinson, and Clyde Rick Woolfolk

ABSENT: Erin Carter (ex-officio), Brian Danhof, Sara Hensley (ex-officio), and Susannah O'Bara (ex-officio)

STAFF: Scott Bray, Vanessa Esparza, Clay Parker, Brittany Sotelo, Erica Sullivan, Kristen Pulido, and Matilda Weeden

1. **PRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**
   Citizens may complete one Request to Speak "Public Comment" card per night for the "Presentations from Members of the Public" portion of the meeting and submit it to City Staff. Presentations from Members of the Public time is reserved for citizen comments regarding item not listed on the agenda. No official action can be taken on these items. Presentation from Members of the Public is limited to five speakers per meeting with each speaker allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes.

   No presentations from members of the public.

2. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

   A. **EDP24-088 Consider approval of the Economic Development Partnership Board minutes for December 11, 2024.**

   Clark made a motion to approve the minutes of December 11, 2024. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried (8-0-2).

   AYES (8): Clark, Edgar, Goree, Meltzer, Ramsey, Roberts, Tomlinson, and Woolfolk
   NAYS (0): None
   ABSENT (2): Fykes and Hudspeth

   B. **ED24-089 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and appoint or reappoint members and an Economic Development Partnership Board representative to the Downtown Economic Development Committee.**

Fykes joined at 11:05 a.m.

Meltzer made a motion to reappoint all members recommended by staff to a second term for the Downtown Economic Development Committee. Fykes seconded the motion. Motion carried (9-0-1).

AYES (9): Clark, Edgar, Fykes, Goree, Meltzer, Ramsey, Roberts, Tomlinson, and Woolfolk
NAYS (0): None
ABSENT (1): Hudspeth

Meltzer made a motion to reappoint all members recommended by staff to a third term for the Downtown Economic Development Committee. Fykes seconded the motion. Motion carried (9-0-1).

AYES (9): Clark, Edgar, Fykes, Goree, Meltzer, Ramsey, Roberts, Tomlinson, and Woolfolk
NAYS (0): None
ABSENT (1): Hudspeth

Meltzer made a motion to appoint Woolfolk as Chair for the Downtown Economic Development Committee (DEDC). Fykes seconded the motion. Motion carried (9-0-1).

AYES (9): Clark, Edgar, Fykes, Goree, Meltzer, Ramsey, Roberts, Tomlinson, and Woolfolk
NAYS (0): None
ABSENT (1): Hudspeth

Hudspeth joined at 11:12 a.m.

3. WORK SESSION

A. EDP24-090 Receive a report and hold a discussion regarding the current method for fiscal and economic impact analysis of projects requesting incentives.

Staff presented the item and discussion followed. No action was taken.

B. EDP24-091 Receive a report and hold a discussion regarding a professional services Request for Proposal to complete a competitiveness study.

Staff presented the item and discussion followed. No action was taken.

C. EDP24-092 Staff Reports:

1. **Director's Report – Brittany Sotelo**
2. **UPS Update – Jamie Adams**
3. **Future Agenda Items – Christine Taylor**

Staff presented each item and discussion followed. Brittany Sotelo presented the Staff Report for Future Agenda Items.

4. CONCLUDING ITEMS

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:33 p.m.

2/12/2025

Steven Edgar, Chair
Economic Development Partnership Board

Vanessa Esparza

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Administrative Assistant

Minutes Approved On: 2/12/2025