MINUTES
CITY OF DENTON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD
April 9, 2025

After determining that a quorum was present, the Economic Development Partnership Board convened in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, April 9, 2025, at 11:12 a.m. in Training Rooms 3, 4, and 5 at the City of Denton Development Service Center, 401 N. Elm St, Denton, Texas, 76201 at which the following items were considered:

PRESENT: Steven Edgar (Chair), Erin Carney (previously Erin Carter/ex-officio), Brian Danhof, Jeremy Fykes, Kerry Goree, Gerard Hudspeth, Paul Meltzer, Aaron Roberts, and Clyde Rick Woolfolk

ABSENT: Tony Clark (Vice-Chair), Sara Hensley (ex-officio), Susannah O'Bara (ex-officio), Lee Ramsey, and Jason Tomlinson

STAFF: Jamie Adams, Amanda Brown, Clay Parker, Vanessa Esparza, Kristen Pulido, Brittany Sotelo, Christine Taylor, 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. EDP25-006 Consider approval of the February 12, 2025, minutes.

Woolfolk made a motion to approve the minutes of February 12, 2025. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0-1-0).

AYES (7): Danhof, Edgar, Fykes, Goree, Meltzer, Roberts, Woolfolk
NAYS (0): None
ABSENT (1): Hudspeth
ABSTAIN (0): None

B. **EDP24-069 Consider recommending adoption of an Ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the approval of a contract between the City of Denton and the Denton Chamber of Commerce by consent of both parties, not to exceed an amount of $150,000, to provide funding for programming to promote economic development, providing for the expenditure of funds therefore; and providing for an effective date.**

Hudspeth joined at 11:20 a.m.

Fykes made a motion to recommend adoption of an Ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the approval of a contract between the City of Denton and the Denton Chamber of Commerce by consent of both parties, not to exceed an amount of $150,000, to provide funding for programming to promote economic development, providing for the expenditure of funds therefore; and providing for an effective date. Woolfolk seconded the motion. Motion carried (8-0-0-1).

AYES (8): Danhof, Edgar, Fykes, Goree, Hudspeth, Roberts, Tomlinson, Woolfolk
NAYS (0): None
ABSENT (0): None
ABSTAIN (1): Meltzer

3. WORK SESSION

A. **EDP25-0007 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction to reallocate expiring economic development incentives to the Catalyst Fund contingent on annual budget evaluations and general fund status for a maximum of $9 million.**

Hudspeth left the meeting at 11:35 a.m. and rejoined at 11:37 a.m.

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

B. **EDP25-008 Staff Reports:**

1. **Director's Report – Brittany Sotelo**
2. **Main Street Program Update - Kristen Pulido**
3. **Economic Development Partnership Report - Jamie Adams**
4. **Future Agenda Items - Brittany Sotelo**

Staff presented each item and discussion followed.

4. CONCLUDING ITEMS

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Brian Danhof, Chair
Economic Development Partnership Board

Vanessa Esparza
Administrative Assistant

Minutes Approved On: 5/14/2025