

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE STAFFORD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, TEXAS
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER IN SAID CITY
ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2021

On the 26th day of January, at 7:00 p.m., the Stafford Economic Development Corporation, Texas met in regular session in the City Council Chamber in said City. President Guerra called the meeting to order. The following Board Directors were present: President Wen Guerra; Vice President Ken Mathew; Directors Joe Rome; Randy Krahn; Gwen Goodwin and Lawrence Vaccaro. Absent: None. The following City staff were present: Nicola Browe (Assistant City Secretary); Patti Worfe (Executive Director); Dorrance Roderick (Finance Director); Chris Riggs (Public Works Director); Patrick Herman (Captain Stafford PD) and Scott Bounds (Olson & Olson, LLP Attorney).

1. President Guerra called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. (a) Presentation and update on the License Plate Reader project:
Captain Patrick Herman, provided an update on the license plate reader project including a timeline of events and a current status of cameras and poles as of today.

The Board discussed what legal options was available to recoup funds spent on a project that has not succeeded and sought advice from Mr. Bounds, attorney for Olson and Olson.

Captain Herman then discussed options available with different vendors and with references readily available from participating local agencies.

The Board of Directors discussed speaking with Caleb Villarreal, from Olson and Olson whom had take the lead on this project within the last few months and see what his thoughts are on many levels of this current project and a potential new one.

- (b) President Guerra invited members of the Public to speak on this item.
No members of the public spoke on this item.

- (c) Director Rome made a motion to table this item until the next available meeting. Vice President Mathew duly seconded the motion. President Guerra called the roll for a vote. President Guerra, Vice President Mathew and Directors Rome, Krahn,

Goodwin and Vaccaro voted “yes”; none against. President Guerra announced the result of the vote (6-0) and declared the motion approved.

4. Discussion of financial matters of the Corporation, including:
 - (a) Presentation of financial statements, monthly invoices, and information of investments; and
Finance Director, Dorrance Roderick presented the financial reports for the Corporation and stated
 - (b) President Guerra invited members of the public to comment on the item.
No members of the public came to speak on the item.
 - (c) Vice President Mathew made a motion to approve the financial Statements as presented and ratify payment for invoices from December 2020. Director Goodwin duly seconded the motion. President Guerra called the roll for a vote. President Guerra, Vice President Mathew and Directors Rome, Krahn, Goodwin and Vaccaro voted “yes”; none against. President Guerra announced the result of the vote (6-0) and declared the motion approved.

5. Matters relating to the Stafford Centre including:
 - (a) Report by Bryan Blaum, President of FM Squared on event schedules, marketing plans, operations, statements and productions;

Mr. Bryan Blaum, President of FM Squared presented the upcoming events at the Stafford Centre to include the safe reopening of the Stafford Centre.

- (b) The President invited members of the Public to speak on the item.
No member of the Public spoke on the item.

(c) No motion was made on this item.

6. Presentation of monthly report by the Executive Director on Economic Development activity within the City of Stafford.

Ms. Worfe spoke about her activities within the last month. She noted that most of the work she has been focusing her efforts on was the COVID relief funds for Stafford Businesses. She went on to mention that there was a new business coming in, that she could not disclose at this time as the final plat has not yet come in, but would make many people happy and a big impact on the sales tax figures.

No action was taken on this item.

7. (a) Request for future agenda items from the Board of Directors;

(b) Director Rome made a motion to place on a future agenda the refurbishment of the monuments and the status of that project and an update on the ALPR Project. Vice President Mathew duly seconded the motion. President Guerra called the roll for a vote. President Guerra, Vice President Mathew and Directors Rome, Krahn, Goodwin and Vaccaro voted “yes”; none against. President Guerra announced the result of the vote (6-0) and declared the motion approved.

The Board of Directors spent a few minutes providing appreciation and gratitude to Ms. Patti Worfe who is retiring from the City.

8. (a) Approval of the minutes of the Corporation for:
Regular Meeting October 27, 2020
Special Meeting December 8, 2020.

(b) The President invited members of the Public to speak on the item.
No member of the Public spoke on the item.

(c) Director Goodwin made a motion to approve the minutes for October 27, 2020 as presented. Vice President Mathew duly seconded the motion. President Guerra called the roll for a vote. President Guerra, Vice President Mathew and Directors Rome, Krahn, Goodwin and Vaccaro voted “yes”; none against. President Guerra announced the result of the vote (6-0) and declared the motion approved.
Director Goodwin made a motion to approve the minutes for December 8, 2020 as presented. Vice President Mathew duly seconded the motion. President Guerra called the roll for a vote. President Guerra, Vice President Mathew and Directors Rome, Krahn, Goodwin and Vaccaro voted “yes”; none against. President Guerra announced the result of the vote (6-0) and declared the motion approved.

9. To hold an executive session as authorized by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code Section 551.071, consultation with attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation on appropriate items on the agenda that fall within the attorney-client privilege relations; Section 551.087 (2) to discuss or deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiation.

The Board of Directors did not go into executive session.

10. Director Rome made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Director Rome duly seconded the motion. President Guerra called the roll for a vote. President Guerra, Vice

President Mathew and Directors Rome, Krahn, Goodwin and Vaccaro voted “yes”; none against. President Guerra announced the result of the vote (6-0) and declared the motion approved.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:43 P.M.

ATTEST:



Wen Guerra
President



Joe Rome
Secretary