

THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF WESLACO
MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP MEETING
July 20, 2019

On this, twentieth (20th) day of July, 2019 at 8:30 AM, The Economic Development Corporation of Weslaco convened its workshop meeting at the Valley Nature Center meeting room located at 301 South Border Avenue, Weslaco, Texas.

The following members were present:

Joe Olivarez – President
Cindy Cabaza – Secretary
Rick Talbert
Benita Valadez
Juan Jose “JJ” Serrano

Also present were:

Marie McDermott – EDCW Executive Director
Steven Valdez – EDCW Director
Maria Cisneros – EDCW Manager
Miros Valdez – EDCW Manager
Lillie Delgado – EDCW Manager
Mayor David Suarez
Commissioner Letty Lopez – Left at 9:49 AM
Commissioner Josh Pedraza
Commissioner JP Rodriguez – Arrived at 9:50 AM

I. CALL TO ORDER

At 8:56 AM Mr. Olivarez called the meeting to order.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and Possible Action of an Economic Development Corporation of Weslaco Workshop Regarding the Direction and Focus of its Efforts.

Ms. McDermott addressed the Board by recommending that the EDCW needs to focused on cold storage industry, and mention that there have been market studies done where there are a few remaining sites available and companies are looking for more options.

Also the EDCW staff has joined the Texas International Produce Association and went to Viva Fresh tradeshow where they received valuable information on its growth in the RGV and on the Mexico border. Ms. McDermott recommends

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the following outline for target industries: 40% - Cold Storage/Logistics, 25% - Supply Companies/Manufacturing Firms, 25% Retail, and 10% - Others.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:00 AM Mr. Olivarez announces that the Board is now in Executive Session.

At 11:35 AM, Mr. Olivarez announces that the Board is out of Executive Session and will reconvene in Open Session.

IV. ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Property for Development Within One Year. (as Permitted under Tex. Gov't Code section 551.072)

No action.

B. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Land in the Mid Valley Airport. (as Permitted under Tex. Gov't Code section 551.072)

No action.

C. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Land Development for the next 3+ Years. (as Permitted under Tex. Gov't Code section 551.072)

No action.

V. ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the Board, at 11:40 AM the EDCW Workshop of July 20th, 2019 was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted;

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Maria Cisneros - Recorder

The minutes were approved on the Regular Board Meeting of August 21st, 2019.

Cynthia Cabaza – Secretary

THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF WESLACO
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
July 24, 2019

On this, twenty-fourth (24th) day of July, 2019 at 6:00 PM, The Economic Development Corporation of Weslaco convened its regular meeting at the Business-Visitor & Event Center Board Room located at 275 South Kansas Avenue, Weslaco, Texas.

The following members were present:

Joe Olivarez – President
Stephen Charlton – Treasurer
Cynthia Cabaza – Secretary
Rick Talbert
Juan Jose “JJ” Serrano – Arrived at 6:08 PM

Also present were:

Marie McDermott – EDCW Executive Director
Steven Valdez – EDCW Director
Maria Cisneros – EDCW Manager
Miros Valdez – EDCW Manager
Rudy Salinas - EDCW CPA
Chuy Ramirez – EDCW Attorney
Irma Garza – VIDA Compliance Manager

I. CALL TO ORDER

At 6:03 PM, Mr. Olivarez called the meeting of July 24, 2019 to order.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular Board Meeting of June 19th, 2019.

Mr. Charlton made a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of June 19th, 2019.

Mrs. Cabaza seconds the motion.

Mr. Charlton votes in favor.

Mrs. Cabaza votes in favor.

Mr. Olivarez votes in favor.