

**DRAFT - MINUTES
OF THE NEW BRAUNFELS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
REGULAR MEETING OF THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2026**

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Shane Hines called the meeting to order at 5:04PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Larry Hammonds, Don Austin, Shane Hines, Atanacio Campos, Cory Elrod and Kristen Carden (5:14PM)

Absent: Tera Thompson

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A) Approval of the March 19, 2026 regular meeting minutes.

President Hines introduced this item. Director Campos motioned to approve the March 19, 2026 regular meeting minutes, Director Elrod seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

4. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATIONS

This time is for citizens to address the Board on issues and items of concerns not on this agenda. There will be no Board action at this time.

President Hines introduced this item. No comments were made.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

A) Presentation and discussion on the April 2026 Treasurer's Report.

President Hines introduced the item. Jared Werner, Assistant City Manager, presented an update on sales tax revenue, noting February collections increased and FY 2026 collections are currently up compared to FY 2025. He also provided an overview of updated revenue collections, current commitments, projected fund balance through FY 2030, and current fiscal year projected expenditures by project. Mr. Werner shared that the City's quarterly "Better NB" case study report highlights NBEDC expenditures since 2014 and noted he would distribute the report to Board members. Mr. Werner answered questions from the Board.

6. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION

A) Presentation and Q2 update from the SPARK Small Business Center
President Hines introduced the item. Ron Richardson, Certified Business Advisor with the SPARK Small Business Center, presented a quarterly report on performance metrics, community impact initiatives, partnerships, training programs, and new business activity through the second quarter. Mr. Richardson answered questions from the Board.

B) Presentation and discussion on proposed project expenditures to support upcoming Transportation and Construction Services projects.

President Hines introduced the item. Jordan Matney, Deputy City Manager, presented an update on current planning and infrastructure projects aligned with the NBEDC's four Strategic Priorities, including project status, next steps, and funding needs. Ms. Matney answered questions from the Board.

C) Presentation and discussion of a proposed airport loan forgiveness
President Hines introduced the item. Jeff Jewell, Director of Economic & Community Development, presented a proposal for potential Airport Loan Forgiveness to allow reinvestment of funds into airport operations, infrastructure, and future capacity expansion. He provided background on the original loan agreement and explained how loan forgiveness would support continued growth and align with NBEDC's strategic priorities. Mr. Jewell answered questions from the Board. No action was taken.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with the Texas Government Code, Section 551.071, the Board reserves the right to retire into executive session concerning the items listed on this agenda to consult with its attorney. In addition, the Board may convene in executive session on any of the following items, with any final action being taken in open session:

A) Deliberate issues regarding economic development negotiations in accordance with Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code:

1. Gener8tor
2. Gruene 16
3. Project Shoot
4. Project Thread
5. Project Icon
6. Project Casa
7. Texas State Technical College

President Hines introduced this item. The Board adjourned the Executive Session at 5:52PM. Executive Session was opened at 5:53PM. The items were addresses in the following order: Gener8tor, Gruene 16, Project Shoot, Project Thread, Project Icon, Project Casa, and Texas State Technical College. The Board discussed and no action was taken. The Board returned to open session at 6:22PM

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

President Hines adjourned the meeting at 6:22PM.

By: _____
SHANE HINES, PRESIDENT