

**FINAL - MINUTES
OF THE NEW BRAUNFELS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
REGULAR MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2022**

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Meurin at 5:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Kathy Meurin – President, Don Austin, Kristen Carden, Stuart Hansmann, Neal Linnartz, Jim Poage

Absent: Brian Cox

Staff: Jeff Jewell, Jordan Matney, Garry Ford, Valeria Acevedo, Nathan Brown, Susie Kelley; Jonathan Packer and Michele Boggs – Chamber of Commerce

Others: Ken Kuehler

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A) Approval of minutes from the August 18, 2022 Workshop and the August 18, 2022 regular meeting.

Director Linnartz moved to approve the minutes of August 18, 2022 board workshop and the August 18, 2022 board meeting. Director Austin seconded; motion carried 6-0-0.

4. CITIZEN'S 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.

(None)

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

A) September Fiscal Year 2022 Treasurer's Report
(This item was pulled from the agenda).

6. DISCUSSION AND ACTION

A) Presentation of the 2022 American Public Works Association Texas

Chapter Project of the Year (Less than \$2 Million) honoring the Elizabeth Avenue Realignment and Parking Lot Improvement Project.

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Assistant City Attorney, Jordan Matney presented the award for the project, which was funded by the EDC and completed in cooperation with several City departments and construction partners. A photograph was taken of the EDC directors receiving the award.

B) Public hearing, discussion and possible action approving a project expenditure of up to \$1,500,000 to Detex Corporation for a project to create and retain primary jobs.

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Jeff Jewell reviewed the expansion project that Detex is proposing for their existing New Braunfels facilities, which will consolidate operations to the New Braunfels property. Detex is long-term local employer with over half of its employees residing in New Braunfels. Staff is proposing an incentive of up to \$1.5M to be delivered in three tranches, which will require employment targets and certain investments be met. Detex Corporation president Ken Kuehler was present. The item was opened for public comment. Hearing none, discussion followed. Director Linnartz motioned to approve an expenditure of up to \$1,500,000 to Detex for a project to create and retain primary jobs as presented by Mr. Jewell. Director Hansmann seconded. Motion carried 6-0-0.

C) Discussion and possible action on the appointment of a member of the New Braunfels Economic Development Corporation to the Workforce Housing Advisory Committee

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Jeff Jewell reported that the EDC's current representative's on the Workforce Housing Advisory Committee, term ends in November. The current representative is Director Cox. Jewell stated that Workforce Housing Advisory Committee is moving into an implementation phase of the workforce housing plan. Director Linnartz noted that Mr. Cox had previously expressed strong interest in the Workforce Housing Advisory Committee and that is why the EDC appointed the position.

Mr. Cox was in an adjacent conference room on a telephone call. Stuart Hansmann motioned to nominate Brian Cox to the Workforce Housing Advisory Committee; Neal Linnartz seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0-0.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board retired to Executive Session at 5:17 p.m.

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. Project New
2. Project Spark

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- 2. Project Spark**

The board returned to open session at 6:09 p.m. No actions were taken at Executive Session.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

By: _____
KATHY MEURIN, PRESIDENT