

# Lone Star Economic Development Council

## “Improvement Through Initiative for All Lone Star Citizens”

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### EDC Members

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#### Members

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Meetings the first Monday of each month at the Lone Star Fire Department building. We welcome your input!

### Who We Are?

The purpose of the Lone Star EDC is to encompass and complete projects benefiting and the public purposes of the Citizens and City of Lone Star. The Lone Star EDC is a State of Texas Class “B” funded EDC, and any and all expenditures must meet the criteria defined under “Purpose” within this newsletter. All EDC projects must be approved by the EDC and presented to the Lone Star City Council for approval.

### FUTURE PROJECTS

**If you are a citizen of Lone Star and have ideas on any projects that the LSEDC could consider for funding, please contact either the City Secretary or a member of the LSEDC. We value the input and suggestions of all citizens of Lone Star. We will follow up on any, and all ideas and suggestions.**

### CURRENT PROJECT UPDATES

The Visual Improvement Program has begun. We are currently meeting with local businesses to begin the approval process for issuing grants for visual improvements to local businesses.

If your business is interested in one of the available grants, please contact a member of the Lone Star EDC.

Our grant offers a 50% reimbursement for qualified expenses during an 18-month period of time up to a maximum of \$2,000 per 18-month period of time.



### New Members Needed

The LSECC is always looking for citizens to join the EDC to help with making Lone Star a better place for all citizens. If you are interested, stop by city hall, and pick up a volunteer service agreement. The EDC will obtain your volunteer service agreement, review it, and ask that you come to a council meeting to discuss.

**HELP US MAKE LONE STAR A BETTER PLACE**

### Proposed Projects

The Lone Star EDC is currently working to obtain the following:

1. Repair and upgrade of the drainage at the Lone Star City Park. It has been determined that before any additional upgrades to the city park can be made repair and/or replacement of the existing drainage must be upgraded. Currently when we receive any significant rainfall the drainage is not adequate to keep the park area from flooding. Upgrading the drainage has been a long-standing issue that we are trying to alleviate to make way for future park improvements.
2. Repair of the existing basketball court at the city park. Currently the existing court is bad need of repair. We are currently accepting bids to repair the existing court and replacement of some, if not all, of the basketball goals for safety reasons. We are also considering lighting this area to make it more secure and safer for the youth of Lone Star.
3. Discussion continues whether to upgrade the existing baseball/softball field at city park. We have had some interest from area coaches and parents to upgrade the facilities to try and bring in more youth from other areas for practices and games. The upgrades would include fencing, lighting, and repairing and upgrading the dugouts and bleacher areas.
4. Park Grant – We are currently evaluating the reason(s) for our not being chosen for the park grant. We are determined to resubmit the grant for next year and are hopeful that we can resubmit the grant with improvements and clarifications that will enable us to obtain the grant.