

REGULAR MEETING
LONE STAR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
LONE STAR FIRE STATION – 201 W. INDUSTRIAL
December 6, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

***We reserve the right to enter into Executive Session on any Agenda item pertaining to
TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. Sections 551.071-551.078, 551.087-551.089***

In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code, the City of Lone Star issues this public notice. If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in executive or closed session, the board will convene in such executive or closed session in accordance with Section 551 of the Texas Government Code, Et Seq. The City Council will consider and act on the following items:

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on the meeting notice.

Members of the public who wish to submit their written comments on a listed agenda item must submit their comments by emailing citysecretary@lonestartx.net or by calling 903-656-2311 for staff assistance. Comments must be received before 3:00 p.m., December 06, 2021.

MINUTES

Present were: Chairman Rudy Dudley and Board Members Mona Brown, Karl Stoermer, Mitch Cox, Felipe Guerrero, Lesley Dalme, Allison Hudson, and Secretary/Treasurer Tina Love.

1. CALL TO ORDER – Rudy Dudley at 6:03 P.M.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS - NONE

3. CONSENT ITEMS:

Minutes of Public Hearing on October 19, 2021
Minutes of Regular Meeting on November 8, 2021
Minutes of Public Hearing on November 15, 2021

A motion to accept minutes of Public Hearing on October 19, 2021, Regular Meeting on November 8, 2021, and Public Hearing on November 15, 2021, was made by Mona Brown with a second from Felipe Guerrero. All present voted AYE.

4. REPORTS:

Financial Reports for November 2021.

A motion to accept financial reports for November 2021 was made by Mona Brown with a second from Mitch Cox. All present voted AYE.

5. ACTION ITEMS:

5-1: Review, discussion, and possible actions to consider purchasing additional Christmas lights and decorations.

All Christmas light fixtures were evaluated prior to being displayed throughout the city. Some light fixtures were unusable because of cracked bulbs or lights not working. The

need to evaluate how many replacement bulbs to purchase was discussed. To re-strand a set of commercial lights can be expensive and time consuming, but to purchase new light fixtures cost between \$300-\$500 each in the past and may be higher now. Mitch Cox and Mona Brown will research the cost for new light fixtures and replacement lighting strands and provide estimates for the next meeting. The EDC may want to consider purchasing a few solar adaptors to use on lights which can't plug into the light poles. This year we had a few poles that had decorations hung, but were not able to plug lights in. Another topic discussed was the desire to consider purchasing a few additional Christmas lights over the next few years to display in the City Park. The additional ornaments and replacement lights can be purchased after the holidays at a discounted price.

A motion to allow the EDC to allot up to \$20K for the purchase and replacement of Christmas decorations within the next three years, with City Council approval, was made by Mitch Cox, with a second from Lesley Dalme. All present voted AYE.

5-2: Review, discussion, and possible actions to evaluate possibilities of future procurements of land parcels inside the city that could be used to attract new vendors or businesses.

Research has begun to identify land parcels in the Lone Star area which may be available to purchase for new business opportunities. A spreadsheet is being compiled identifying land parcels, estimated value, and owners. EDC Chairman, Rudy Dudley has reached out to realtor, Bree Shimpock, about the need to locate property for additional growth. Ms. Shimpock is willing to work with the EDC as a third party representative to help locate available real estate.

A subcommittee of EDC members Mitch Cox, Karl Stoermer, and Rudy Dudley was selected to continue researching properties in the area, compiling data, and presenting information to the EDC and City Council as it becomes available. Karl Stoermer suggested a non-disclosure agreement be signed by each EDC member, the realtor, and City Council members from disclosing private information that may be obtained during the property search.

A motion to pursue the possibilities of future land purchases, the subcommittee to continue researching properties, and the development of a non-disclosure agreement was made by Mona Brown, with a second from Mitch Cox. All present voted AYE.

5-3: Review, discussion, and possible actions to review and discuss the city logo and EDC usage of the logo.

Rudy Dudley referred to the EDC seminar he recently attended. Each city represented has a logo and motto for their city. Discussions occurred about previous attempts to create a logo and motto for the City of Lone Star but is unknown if one was ever created. The only records the City Secretary has located was a red, white, and blue star, with the words "City of Lone Star". This appears to be a document watermark, and not an actual logo.

A motion to table this item pending additional research was made by Mitch Cox, with a second from Mona Brown. All present voted AYE.

5-4: Review, discussion, and possible actions to consider the purchase of shirts for EDC officers to wear when handling EDC business.

A motion to table this item in conjunction with item 5-3 pending additional information was made by Mitch Cox, with a second from Mona Brown. All present voted AYE.

6. ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Mona Brown with a second by Felipe Guerrero. All present voted Aye.

/s/Rudy Dudley

Rudy Dudley, Chairman

/s/ Tina Love

Tina Love, City Secretary