



## FORNEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

### MINUTES REGULAR MEETING 101 EAST MAIN STREET FORNEY, TEXAS 75126 FEBRUARY 8, 2018 6:30 P.M.

The Forney Economic Development Corporation (FEDC) of the City of Forney met on February 8, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. Board President Joe Dan McBeth, Vice President & Treasurer Scott Burrus, Board Secretary Kym Tayamen, and Directors Fred Alexander, Amanda Lewis, Jessica Browning and DeCarlo Coleman were in attendance. EDC Director Warren Ketteman, EDC Specialist Stewart McGregor and EDC Administrative Assistant Jessica Sherman were also in attendance.

1. **Call to Order** at 6:31 p.m.
2. **Invocation** by Mr. Burrus.
3. **Public Communication**

There was no public communication.

#### 4. **Minutes & Reports**

- a. Approval of the FEDC Minutes- December 11, 2017 Regular Meeting and Approval of the Joint City Council and FEDC Minutes- January 16, 2018.

Mr. Burrus made a motion to approve the December 11, 2017 and January 16, 2018 minutes and Mr. DeCarlo seconded. The vote carried unanimously.

- b. Financial Report

Mr. Burrus gave the financial report. Mr. Burrus mentioned the projected sales tax percentage is a little behind. EDC Director Ketteman, mentioned that the State Comptroller's Office is two (2) months behind and that is the reasoning for the projected sales tax percentage descending.

- c. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Ketteman gave the Executive Director's Report. A complete copy is available in the FEDC office. A few noteworthy items he mentioned, included:

- Update on the West Broad Street sewer project
- Update on Downtown entry signage
- Update on "Victorian Village" office development
- Open/undeveloped downtown parcels and vacant properties
- Forney Marketplace

#### 5. **Public Hearing**

A Public Hearing in accordance with Section 505.159 of the Texas Local Government Code a public hearing will be held by the Forney Economic Development Corporation, a Type B corporation, on February 8, 2018, at 6:30 p.m., in the Forney City Hall located at 101 East Main Street, Forney, Texas, to consider and take action upon the following project: A project to be undertaken by the Corporation to promote new or expanded business development, to wit: the provision of land for the development of a small office and retail complex, to be located at the northeast corner of Main and Chestnut Street in Forney, Texas.

The public notice is provided regarding Texas Local Government Code Chapter 505.159 (Relating to sixty-day notice prior to expending funds).

Board President McBeth, opened public hearing at 6:46 p.m., Board Secretary Tayamen made motion to open public hearing, seconded by Board Member Alexander. There were no public comments.

Board President McBeth, closed public hearing at 6:48 p.m., Vice President & Treasurer Burrus made motion to close public hearing, seconded by Board Secretary Tayamen.

## 6. Discussion/Action Items

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding a façade grant application for 205 N. Bois D' Arc Street.

Mr. McGregor discussed the façade grant on behalf of Mr. Timothy Boles (not present) on what Mr. Boles was wanting to do with his business (radiator shop). Mr. Boles mentioned in the facade grant, that he would like to mirror his business to look like Mr. Crenshaw's. His idea is to have that historical look that blends well with other businesses located in Downtown Forney. Mr. McGregor, informed EDC Board Members that Mr. Boles, is aware that permits will need to be pulled.

Mr. Kettelman explained the parking issue and how there was no parking near Ms. Billie's Flower Basket. Mr. McBeth mentioned the cost and how it could possibly exceed \$20,000.00. Mr. McBeth, also inquired about commercial zoning in Downtown Forney.

Mr. McBeth, called for motion to approve no more than \$10,000 for the interior and no more than \$5,000 for the exterior. Mr. Alexander made motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Tayamen. The vote carried unanimously.

- b. Discussion and possible action regarding economic development negotiations with current prospects.

No action was taken on this item.

## 7. Executive Session

- a. The Forney EDC will hold a closed Executive Session meeting pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in: -§ 551.072 deliberations for the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property and/or -§ 551.087 deliberations regarding commercial or financial information that the EDC has received from a business prospect and/or deliberations regarding the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect. (Related to Sections 6.b).

Mr. Burrus made a motion to enter Executive Session at 6:55 p.m. Mr. Coleman seconded, and the vote carried unanimously.

- b. The Forney EDC will reconvene into Regular Session, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to take any action regarding the above items.

Mr. Burrus made a motion to enter back into open session at 8:18 p.m. Mr. Coleman seconded, and the vote carried unanimously.

## 8. Future Agenda Items

Mr. Kettelman addressed the following to our Board Members:

- Chamber Banquet held on March 1, 2018 at noon. Mr. Kettelman asked that the Board Members please let EDC know who would like to attend.
- Joint Meeting with City Council on February 26, 2018
- Kaufman County Day March 25-26, 2018
- ICSC- May 21-23, 2018

**Adjournment** by unanimous consent at 8:20 p.m. On motion by Mrs. Browning, seconded by Mr. Tayamen.

APPROVED: KYM TAYAMEN, SECRETARY

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APPROVED: JOE DAN McBETH, PRESIDENT

DATE: March 8, 2018

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