

STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF ORANGE }

April 12, 2022

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT a meeting of the Orange Economic Development Corporation of the City of Orange, Orange County, Texas, was held in the City Council Chambers (Library Auditorium) on Tuesday, April 12, 2022.

EDC MEMBERS PRESENT:	Michael Smith Brad Childs Paul Burch Divon Williams Larry Spears Jr. Tramena Horn Jason Rodrigue	President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer Director Director Director
EDC MEMBERS ABSENT:	None	
COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:	Caroline Hennigan David C. Bailey Mary McKenna Terrie T. Salter	Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member (arrived at 8:40 a.m.)
COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:	None	
STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:	Michael Kunst Jay Trahan Patricia Anderson Jennifer Krummel Leigh Anne Dallas Cheryl Zeto Kelvin Knauf Wade Robinson Mike Zeto Guy Goodson	City Manager Assistant City Manager, Director of Economic Development City Secretary Deputy City Secretary Event Manager / EDC Assistant Director of Finance Director of Planning and Community Development Police Major CIS Manager City Attorney
STAFF MEMBERS ABSENT:	None	

President Smith called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

MOTION FINDING THAT THE ADVANCE POSTING AND NOTICE REQUIREMENTS OF ARTICLE 8.1200 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ORANGE, TEXAS HAVE BEEN MET IN RELATION TO ALL MINUTES AND PENDING RESOLUTIONS ON THIS AGENDA AND THAT

THE READING OF SUCH ITEMS BE CONFINED TO THE CAPTION OF THE RESOLUTIONS.

Vice-President Childs moved to approve the motion. Second to the motion was made by Secretary Burch, which carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Secretary Burch moved to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2022 Orange Economic Development Corporation Meeting. Second to the motion was made by Director Rodrigue, which carried unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

PRESENTATION

Jay Trahan introduced Jessica Hill, Executive Director and Megan Romero Layne, Business Development Manager with Orange County, Texas Economic Development Corporation.

Ms. Hill gave a brief overview on Industry Growth Strategy. She advised they worked with Vision First Advisors and Foremost Quality Logistics. Ms. Hill advised the study is similar to a strategic plan, but specific to the logistics distribution warehousing sector. The report states their first impressions of our area were: traffic and connectivity concerns, quality of place challenges, and low workforce coordination. Ms. Hill advised they provided strengths and weaknesses, as well as four strategy recommendations for Orange County. She advised the report is available on their website for viewing.

Council Member Salter arrived to the meeting at 8:40 a.m.

REPORTS FROM DIRECTORS

President Smith advised he relocated to the Beaumont area and is resigning from the City of Orange, EDC Board of Directors. He advised he owns a business in the City of Orange, and is proud of everything that is happening in Orange.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

7. a) Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations:
 - (1) Deliberation regarding real estate development project proposal as authorized by Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code

The Corporation met in a closed executive session at 8:49 a.m.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Corporation reconvened in open session at 9:00 a.m.

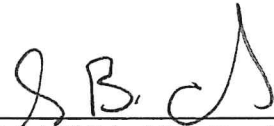
TAKE ACTION AS NECESSARY REGARDING ITEM 7 a (1).

No action taken on item 7 a (1).

ADJOURNMENT


There being no further business before the Corporation, Director Rodrigue moved to adjourn the meeting. Second to the motion was made by Director Horn, which carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.



Brad Childs, Vice-President

ATTEST:



Paul Burch, Secretary