

STATE OF TEXAS }

September 26, 2023

COUNTY OF ORANGE }

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, September 26, 2023.

EDC MEMBERS PRESENT:	Jason Rodrigue Brad Childs Paul Burch Matt Chandler George Mortimer Larry Spears Jr. Tramena Horn	President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer Director Director Director
EDC MEMBERS ABSENT:	None	
COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:	Mary McKenna Caroline Hennigan	Council Member Council member
COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:	David Bailey Terrie T. Salter	Council Member Council Member
STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:	Michael Kunst Jay Trahan Patricia Anderson Jennifer Pool Hillary Gravett Cheryl Zeto Mike Zeto Kelvin Knauf Adam Jack Wade Robinson Divon Williams Guy Goodson	City Manager Assistant City Manager, Director of E c o n o m i c Development City Secretary Deputy City Secretary Assistant EDC Director Director of Finance CIS Manager Director of Planning and Community Development Director of Public Works Police Major Deputy Director of P l a n n i n g a n d C o m m u n i t y Development City Attorney
STAFF MEMBERS ABSENT:	None	

President Rodrigue called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.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.

Treasurer Chandler moved to approve the motion. Second to the motion was made by Director Mortimer, which carried unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Colby Mitchell, 805 2nd Street, advised he would like the City to have more activities for young kids to keep them off the streets and out of trouble.

Hillary Gravett, Assistant Economic Development Director, advised there were some concerns about Chick-fil-A being closed. She advised it was a temporary closure, for infrastructure repairs, and they are open for business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Treasurer Chandler moved to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2023 Orange Economic Development Corporation Meeting. Second to the motion was made by Vice-President Childs, which carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

MOTION TO ADOPT THE ORANGE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024.

Secretary Burch moved to approve the motion. Second to the motion was made by Director Spears, which carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION CONCERNING A PROJECT UPDATE ON STUDIO 17, 1700 W. ALLIE PAYNE, ORANGE, TX 77632.

Mr. Trahan advised the project owners were unable to attend tonight's meeting. He advised the board with the following highlights:

April 2023:	Finalized EDC Agreement.
June 13, 2023:	Engineers Fittz & Shipman submitted the storm drainage plans, for Studio 17 project, to Orange County Drainage District for review and approval.

- July 27, 2023: Project owners received a letter from Orange County Drainage District rejecting the storm drainage plans.
- August 28, 2023: Fitzz & Shipman resubmitted the storm drainage plans to Orange County Drainage District with the modifications to meet the required standards.
- September 25, 2023: Project owners and engineers are awaiting decision from Orange County Drainage District.

Mr. Trahan advised the project owners are awaiting approval from the Orange County Drainage District, which has been approximately four months. He advised the project can not start until they receive approval. He advised the owners are still committed to the project at this time.

REPORTS FROM DIRECTORS

There were no reports.

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 Economic Development Corporation met in a closed executive session at 4:43 p.m.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Economic Development Corporation reconvened in open session at 4:57 p.m.

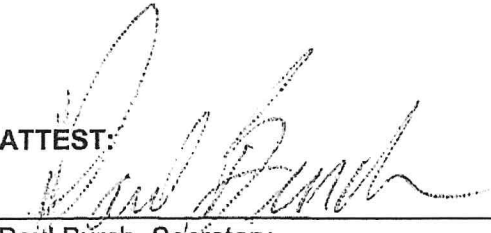
There was no action taken on item 7 a (1).

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Corporation, Treasurer Chandler moved to adjourn the meeting. Second to the motion was made by Vice-President Childs, which carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.


 Jason Rodrigue, President

ATTEST:

 Paul Burch, Secretary