THE SEABROOK ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF SEABROOK MET ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE SEABROOK CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 1700 FIRST STREET, SEABROOK, TEXAS TO CONSIDER, AND IF APPROPRIATE, TAKE ACTION WITH RESPECT TO THE AGENDA ITEMS LISTED BELOW.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

PAUL R. DUNPHEY	PRESIDENT
TERRY CHAPMAN	VICE-PRESIDENT
GARY BELL	TREASURER
ERNIE DAVIS	SECRETARY
O.J. MILLER	COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE
GLENN ROYAL	MAYOR
BRENDA VESELENY	MEMBER

ALSO PRESENT WERE:

GAYLE COOK	CITY MANAGER
STEVE WEATHERED	CITY/EDC ATTORNEY
PAUL CHAVEZ	DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
MEREDITH BRANT	ASST. CITY SECRETARY

President Paul Dunphey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and declared that a quorum was present.

1.0 ROUTINE PUBLIC HEARING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none.

2.0 PRESENTATIONS

2.1 Economic Alliance Houston Port Region presentation. (Chad Burke)

In the absence of Chad Burke, no presentation was made.

2.2 Marsh Darcy partners presentation on their firm and economic development best practices.

Sue Darcy and Alan Mueller, partners of Marsh Darcy introduced themselves and gave a brief history of their experience and qualifications.

Ms. Darcy explained that economic development is a means of improving a community's standard of living. Growing the tax base allows a mature city to face the challenges of aging infrastructure and other changes. She gave pointers on how to grow the tax base by using the tools of the trade: incentives and reimbursements. She explained Chapter 380

grants and gave case studies and how to measure the impact and success of projects.

Mayor Royal expressed concern for the future of SH 146. Ms. Darcy stated that until progress is made with SH 146, the city can be planning for the anticipated changes.

2.3 EDC Director's report on economic development activities for July, 2015.

Mr. Chavez gave his monthly report.

3.0 NEW BUSINESS

3.1 **Consider contract for economic development consulting services with the Economic Alliance Houston Port Region. (Chavez)**

This item was not addressed.

3.2 **Discussion and possible action on sponsorship of Food & Vine Time Productions contract.**

Gayle Cook proposed that EDC co-sponsor Celebration Seabrook, the event to be coordinated by Food & Vine Time Productions, in the amount of $10,000. She added that the sponsorship will assist and promote small businesses in Old Seabrook and will be a good use of EDC funds. She added that VIP tickets available to each sponsor will be based on the level of sponsorship.

Mayor Royal stated that a VIP tent could be set up for the Economic Summit to be held during the celebration. Mr. Weathered agreed that this is an appropriate use of EDC funds.

Motion was made by Ms. Veseleny and seconded by Mr. Bell

To approve EDC sponsorship in the amount of $10,000 and noting that the donation for charity be removed from the agreement.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

3.3 **Consider approval of EDC Incentive policy resolution.**

Mr. Chavez stated that this is an annual item for consideration.

Motion was made by Mr. Davis and seconded by Councilmember Miller

To approve as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

4.0 ROUTINE BUSINESS

4.1 Approve minutes of July 9, 2015 meeting.

Motion was made by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mayor Royal

To approve the minutes as written.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

4.2 Establish future meeting dates and agenda items.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 10. Agenda items should include:

- Consider VIP event at Celebration Seabrook in lieu of hamburger summit
- Architects will make presentations for project consideration
- Consider Seabrook Business of the Year
  Members were encouraged to email their recommendations.
- Economic Alliance presentation and contract renewal consideration.

Upon motion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Terry Chapman, Vice-President

Meredith Brant, TRMC
Assistant City Secretary

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