**Development Corporation of Mercedes, Inc.**

**Virtual Special Called Meeting**

**Thursday, September 10, 2020 4:00PM**

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**Board Members Present:**

Fred Gonzalez – President

Joe Flores – Vice President

Jaime Gonzales – Secretary

David Garza – Member

Peggy Marie Chavez – Yanez - Member

**Board Members Absent:**

Tony Garza – Treasurer

Roel Villanueva- Member

**EDC Staff Present:**

Melissa Ramirez – Executive Director

Rose Saenz – Administrative Coordinator

**City Staff Present:**

Mark Sossi – DCM Interim Attorney

**Others Present:**

**1. Call Meeting to order**

Fred Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

**2. Discussion and Action: September 3, 2020 Minutes**

David Garza motioned to approve the September 3, 2020 Minutes as presented. Seconded by Jaime Gonzales. All voted aye.

**3. Discussion and Action: DCM FY20-21 Budget**

Jaime Gonzales motioned to approve the DCM FY20-21 Budget as presented. Seconded by David Garza. All voted aye.

**4. Discussion and Action: Mercedes Small Business Recovery Grant – Raquel Hinojosa, $3,000**

Jaime Gonzales motioned to table Mercedes Small Business Recovery Assistance Grant application for Raquel Hinojosa. Seconded by Peggy Marie Chavez - Yanez. Fred Gonzalez, Joe Flores, Jaime Gonzales and Peggy Marie Chavez - Yanez voted aye. David Garza voted nay.

**5. Discussion and Action: Mercedes Small Business Recovery Grant – Javier De la O, $3,000**

Jaime Gonzales motioned to approve Mercedes Small Business Recovery Assistance Grant application in the amount of $3,000 for Javier De la O – DBA De la O Electric. Seconded by David Garza. All voted aye.

**6. Discussion and Action: Mercedes Small Business Recovery Grant – Sabino Martinez, $3,000**

David Garza motioned to approve Mercedes Small Business Recovery Assistance Grant application in the amount of $3,000 for Sabino Martinez – DBA Don Beto’s Restaurant. Seconded by Peggy Marie Chavez - Yanez. All voted aye.

**7. Discussion and Action: Mercedes Small Business Recovery Grant – Herminia Flores, $5,000**

Jaime Gonzales motioned to approve Mercedes Small Business Recovery Assistance Grant application in the amount of $5,000 for Herminia Flores – DBA Juanito’s Restaurant. Seconded by David Garza. All voted aye.

**8. Discussion and Action: Mercedes Small Business Recovery Grant – Ramiro Ramirez, $5,000**

Jaime Gonzales motioned to approve Mercedes Small Business Recovery Assistance Grant application in the amount of $5,000 for Ramiro Ramirez – DBA Ram Ramirez Enterprises Inc. Seconded by Peggy Marie Chavez - Yanez. All voted aye.

*Joe Flores exited the meeting.*

**9. Discussion and Action: Mercedes Small Business Recovery Grant – Sonia Martinez, $5,000**

Jaime Gonzales motioned to approve Mercedes Small Business Recovery Assistance Grant application in the amount of $5,000 for Sonia Martinez – DBA Valley Oak Tree Learning Center. Seconded by Peggy Marie Chavez - Yanez. All voted aye.

**6. Adjournment:** 4:19 PM

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Fred Gonzalez, President Joe Flores, Jr., Vice President

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Tony Garza, Treasurer Jaime Gonzales, Secretary

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Roel Villanueva, Member David Garza, Member

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Peggy Marie Chavez - Yanez, Member