Development Corporation of Mercedes, Inc. Special Called Meeting Wednesday, April 6, 2022 11:30AM

Board Members Present:

Fred Gonzalez - President
Joe Flores – Vice President
Tony Garza – Treasurer
Peggy Marie Chavez – Yanez - Secretary
Luis Huerta – Member
Marcos Garcia - Member

Board Members Absent:

Roel Villanueva- Member

EDC Staff Present:

Melissa Ramirez – Executive Director Norma Saenz – Administrative Coordinator

City Staff Present:

Alberto Perez – City Manager Javier Ramirez – Assistant City Manager

Others Present:

Mark Sossi – DCM Attorney Roberto D. Carrillo, CPA, MSA – Givilancz & Martinez

1. Call Meeting to order

Fred Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 11:36 AM.

2. Discussion and Action: February 16, 2022 Minutes

Marcos Garcia motioned to approve February 16, 2022 minutes making corrections to name in item #4 and #5; changing Mark to Marcos. Seconded by Joe Flores. Unanimous.

3. Discussion and Action: February 2022 Financials.

Motion to approve February financials as presented by Joe Flores. Seconded by Marcos Garcia. Unanimous.

4. Discussion and Action: TXClass Quarterly Report

Joe Flores motioned to accept Texas Class Quarterly report. Seconded by Tony Garza. Unanimous.

5. Discussion and Action: Budget Amendment

Motion to approve budget amendments by Tony Garza. Seconded by Joe Flores. Unanimous.

6. Discussion and Action: Downtown Cleanup

Motion to table item #6 until a contract/proposal is established detailing work to by done by Joe Flores. Seconded by Marcos Garcia. Unanimous.

7. Discussion and Action: Billboard

Motion to approve \$4,800 to repair billboard and receive 2 more quotes from Chamber by Tony Garza. Seconded by Marcos Garcia. Unanimous.

8. Discussion and Action: Polo's and Dress Shirts

Motion to proceed in purchasing a sky blue short sleeve polo and same color dress shirt by Tony Garza. Seconded by Marcos Garcia. Unanimous.

9. Discussion and Action: ICSC Las Vegas, May 22-24

Motion to approve another geofence campaign allotting \$1800 with Spectrum in lieu of attending ICSC Las Vegas by Joe Flores. Seconded by Marcos Garcia. Unanimous.

10. Discussion and Action: Untable Signage Grant Program

Motion to untable item #10 by Joe Flores. Seconded by Marcos Garcia. Unanimous. No action taken at this time.

11. Executive Session: Section 551.087: Economic development negotiations with Project Travel Center, Project Cowboy, Project Drive-In and Project J. Martinez and Section 551.071: pending legal issues with delinquent notes and on any regular agenda item requiring confidential, attorney-client advice necessitated by the deliberation or discussion of said item as needed

The Board went into Executive Session at 12:12 PM

The Board went into Open Session at 12:33 PM

12. Discussion and Action: item #11

Motion to engage DCM attorney to begin collection process and send a demand letter to MD International as directed in Executive Session by Joe Flores. Seconded by Tony Garza. Unanimous.

13. Adjournment: 12:35PM

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Ice Flores Ir Vice President

Tony Garza, Treasurer

Roel Villanueva, Member

Marcos Garcia, Member

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Luis Huerta, Member