Development Corporation of Mercedes, Inc. Regular Called Meeting Wednesday, May 18, 2022 11:30AM

Board Members Present:

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

Board Members Absent:

EDC Staff Present:

Melissa Ramirez – Executive Director Norma Saenz – Administrative Coordinator

City Staff Present:

Others Present:

Mark Sossi – DCM Attorney
Roberto D. Carrillo, CPA, MSA – Givilancz & Martinez
Jorge Salinas - Owner, Apartment Complex
Ricardo Rubiano – Owner, RubiGroup Capital

1. Call Meeting to order

Fred Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 11:30 AM.

2. Discussion and Action: April 6, 2022 Minutes

Marcos Garcia motioned to approve April 6, 2022 minutes as presented. Seconded by Luis Huerta. Unanimous.

3. Discussion and Action: March and April 2022 Financials.

Marcos Garcia motioned to approve March 2022 financials as presented. Seconded by Roel Villanueva. Unanimous. Roel Villanueva motioned to approve April 2022 financials as presented. Seconded by Marcos Garcia. Unanimous.

4. Discussion: FY22-23 DCM Budget

Melissa Ramirez, Executive Director presented preliminary budget for next year to board members for discussion.

5. Discussion and Action: Downtown Cleanup

Joe Flores motioned to approve the agreement between DCM and Noe & Gloria Duenas. The Agreement will need to include a termination clause. The agreement discloses job functions and a weekly salary of \$600; must be signed by all parties. Seconded by Tony Garza. Unanimous.

6. Discussion and Action: City Settlement

Tony Garza motioned to amend the City's and DCM repayment agreement; with payment due March 2024. Mark Sossi will draft the agreement. Seconded by Marcos Garcia. Unanimous.

7. Discussion and Action: Acquisition of Copier

Joe Flores motioned to approve LaserLux's 63 month proposal submitted. The current copier contract will expire June 30, 2022. Seconded by Marcos Garcia. Unanimous.

8. Executive Session: Section 551.087: Economic development negotiations with Project Travel Center, Project Rubiano, Project J. Salinas; and Section 551.072 Real Estate: MERCEDES ORIGINAL TOWNSITE LOT 15 & PT OF LOTS 16 & 17 BLK 50; 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 12:07 PM

The Board went into Open Session at 1:17 PM

9. Discussion and Action: item #8.

Marcos Garcia motioned to approve purchasing Mercedes Original Townsite L15 & PT of L16 & 17 Blk 50 with a cap of \$50K. Seconded by Tony Garza. Unanimous.

10. Adjournment: 1:20 PM

Joe Flores, Jr., Vice President

Tony Garza, Treasurer

Roel Villanueva, Member

Marcos Garcia, Member

Peggy Marie Chavez - Yanez, Secretary

Luis Huerta, Member