Development Corporation of Mercedes, Inc. Regular Called Meeting Wednesday, May 17, 2023 11:30AM

Board Members Present:

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

Board Members Absent:

EDC Staff Present:

Melissa Ramirez – Executive Director Zefra Mascorro – Administrative Coordinator Mario Salinas-Marketing Specialist Mark Sossi- DCM Attorney

City Staff Present:

Alberto Perez – City Manager

Others Present:

Rudy Salinas- SAS, CPA
Justine Robinson-CivicServe (Virtually)
K. Kyle-CivicServe (Virtually)
J. Shell- CivicServe (Virtually)
Luis Saldana- RGVLS
Mohammed Ali- Project Ali
Jorge Salinas- Project J. Salinas

1. Call Meeting to order

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

2. Discussion and Action: April 19, 2023 Minutes

Marcos Garcia voted to approve the April 19, 2023 Minutes as presented. Seconded by Tony Garza. All voted aye.

3. Discussion and Action: April 2023 Financials

Roel Villanueva voted to approve the April 2023 Financials as presented. Seconded by Marcos Garcia. All voted aye.

Luis Saldana entered the meeting at 11:35AM

4. Discussion and Action: CivicServe

Joe Flores motioned to accept the proposal from CivicServe as presented. Seconded by Marcos Garcia. All voted aye.

Mohammed Ali entered the meeting at 11:46AM

5. Discussion and Action: Health and Supplemental Insurance

Tony Garza motioned to approve the payment for health and supplemental insurance. Seconded by Marcos Garcia. All voted aye.

6. Discussion and Action: Chamber Billboard

Tony Garza motioned to cost share the Chamber Billboard with the Mercedes Area Chamber of Commerce at \$9,250.00. Seconded by Marcos Garcia. All voted aye.

7.Executive Session: Section 551.087: Economic development negotiations with Project Entertainment, Project RGVLS, Project Ali, Project J. Salinas, Project G. Schwarz, Project Cruz, Project STM, Project Coffee, Project Killer V, Project M2, Project M30, Project Carwash and Project UT, Section 551.072 Real Estate: CAPISALLO 0.39AC TR 1 Part 3 & 0.55AC TR 2 PART 3A BNG IRR TRS LYING N&S FM 491 LOT 16 BLK 80 1.15AC GR 0.94AC NET and Section 551.071: pending legal issues with USDA and delinquent loans 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 11:51 AM

The Board went into Open Session at 1:15 PM

12. Discussion and Action: item #7

Roel Villanueva motioned to deny the request by Project J. Salinas. Seconded by Marcos Garcia. All voted aye.

Roel Villanueva motioned to extend Project Schwarz' performance agreement until January 2024. Seconded by Tony Garza. All voted aye.

13. Adjournment: 1:17 PM

Fred Gonzalez, President

Marcos Garcia, Vice-President

Peggy Marie Chavez-Yanez, Treasurer

Lou Huerta, Secretary

Joe Flores, Jr., Member

Tony Garza, Member

Roel Villanueva, Member