

**THE PHARR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION II
REGULAR CALLED MEETING MINUTES
COMMENCING AT 3 :00 PM
MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2020**

Present: Board Member Dr. Ambrosio Hernandez
Board Member Comm. Ricardo Medina
Board Member Comm. Eleazar Guajardo
Board Member Comm. Dr. Ramiro Caballero
Board Member Reynaldo Perez
Board Member Mario Lizcano

Absent Board Member Efrain Matamoros

Staff Present: Victor Perez, Executive Director
Ed Wylie, Interim City Manager
Karla Moya, Finance Director
Jameson Merrick, Finance Manager
Maribel Garcia, Executive Administrative Assistant

PEDC Attorney: Jaime Muñoz

ITEM 1. ROLL CALL AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE EXCUSING OF ANY ABSENT BOARD MEMBER

Vice President, Mario Lizcano, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.
Roll call established a quorum.

Commissioner Eleazar Guajardo moved to excuse the absence of Board member Efrain Matamoros it was seconded by Board member Reynaldo Perez. Motion Carried unanimously.

Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation

President, Mayor Dr. Ambrosio Hernandez joined the meeting at 3:14 p. m.

ITEM 2. PUBLIC TESTIMONY

No one signed up at this time

ITEM 3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Vice President, Mario Lizcano introduced the item.

Executive Director Victor Perez informs the Board about; Pharr EDC to host Mexican Entrepreneurs March 27, 2020 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Development Research Center in Pharr. The Pharr EDC in partnership with UTRGV's Entrepreneurship and Commercialization Center will host a delegation of about 40 entrepreneurs from the Mexican Institute of Petroleum, the National Autonomous University of Mexico and small business enterprises for one day as part of three-week business incubator/accelerator workshop by UTRGV and Comener (Mexico Energy Council) we will present on the vantage points of doing business in the City of Pharr followed by a tour. Sales Tax Report, an increase of 9.71% from last year we ranked number 5 compared to neighboring Cities. Loans and Leases Report is in your packets for your review.

ITEM 4. CONSENT AGENDA:

A) APPROVAL OF MINUTES – FEBRUARY 17, 2020 – REGULAR CALLED MEETING.

B) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON TOPGOLF RENEWAL AGREEMENT.

Board Member Commissioner Ricardo Medina moved to approve. It was seconded by Board Member Commissioner Eleazar Guajardo. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 5. REGULAR AGENDA - OPEN SESSION:

Vice President, Mario Lizcano requested to deviate from the agenda and enter into a close session. There was no objection.

ITEM 6. CLOSED SESSION:

IN ACCORDANCE WITH CGAPTER 551 TEXAS, GOVERNMENT CODE, VERNON'S TEXAS CODE ANNOTATED (OPEN MEETING ACT), THE PHARR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION II BOARD WILL MEET IN EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION.

Vice President Mario Lizcano stated pursuant to Sections 551.071 thru 551.087 of the Texas Government Code, the PEDC II Board of Directors would be entering a closed session the time being 3:04 p. m

ITEM 7. RECONVENE:

President, Dr. Ambrosio Hernandez stated that the time being 3:45 p.m. the board will be resuming meeting, into Regular Session, and consider action, if necessary on any item(s) discussed in executive session.

A) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON LETTER OF INTENT FOR 301 S. CAGE BUILDING.

Staff recommended no action as discussed in executive session.

B) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON LETTER OF INTENT FOR PHARRPRODUCE LOTS 28 & 29.

Staff recommended approval as discussed in executive session.

Board member, Commissioner Ricardo Medina moved to approve. It was seconded by Board member Commissioner Eleazar Guajardo. Motion carried unanimously.

C) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, PROJECT APPLE.

Staff recommended no action as discussed in executive session.

D) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON PROJECT PECAN

Staff recommended approval as discussed in executive session.

Board member, Commissioner Ricardo Medina moved to approve. It was seconded by Board member Commissioner Eleazar Guajardo. Motion carried unanimously.

President Dr. Ambrosio Hernandez informed the Business Community about the corona virus impact and how Federal Government passed a house bill to help small businesses.

ITEM 8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the board, Board member Commissioner Eleazar Guajardo moved to adjourn. It was seconded by Commissioner Ricardo Medina and when put to a vote, the motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 3:48 p.m.



Mayor Dr. Ambrosio Hernandez, President

ATTEST


Reynaldo Perez, Secretary

APPROVED:

April 20, 2020