THE PHARR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION II
REGULAR CALLED MEETING MINUTES
COMMENCING AT 3:00 PM
MONDAY, MAY 16, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Board Member Dr. Ambrosio Hernandez Board Member Comm. Ricardo Medina Board Member Comm. Dr. Ramiro Caballero Board Member Reynaldo Perez Board Member Efrain Matamoros Board Member Marty Moore
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Board Member Mario Lizcano
STAFF PRESENT:	Victor Perez, PEDC President/CEO Andy Harvey, City Manager Karla Moya, Finance Director Adriana Sarmiento, PEDC CFO Karina Lopez, PEDC Manager Maribel Garcia, Executive Administrative Assistant
PEDC ATTORNEY:	Austin Oxford

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER

(A) ROLL CALL AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE EXCUSING OF ANY ABSENT BOARD MEMBER

Vice Chair, Commissioner Ricardo Medina, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Roll call established a quorum.

Board member Reynaldo Perez **moved** to excuse absent members. Board member Marty Moore seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

Mayor Ambrosio Hernandez entered the meeting at this point of the agenda. The time being 3:03 p. m.

(B) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION

President/CEO, Victor Perez, led the pledge of allegiance and Board Member Marty Moore the invocation.

ITEM 2. PUBLIC TESTIMONY

There were no comments from the public.

ITEM 3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Karina Lopez, Economic Development Manager, Informed the Board about the upcoming PEDC II events. She stated The PEDC has been partnering with McDonald's to assist in their hiring event May 20 and May 27, 2022 from nine to five in the evening at 114 W. Cherokee Ave, Pharr, Tx. She further stated the hiring events are open to the public and no registration is required.

Karina Lopez, Economic Development Manager, further reported The Pharr EDC would be hosting a groundbreaking ceremony for Smartcold a company by the Triple H family with over thirty years of experience in the trade of Mexican produce. The new facility would be an additional to their existing facility bringing six additional employment opportunities and their total investment for this facility is an estimated five million.

Victor Perez, President & CEO, reported May sales tax report for month-to-month Pharr came positive of 14.10% and number five year to date growth at 15.66% which puts on number one compared to other cities in a month-to-month comparison. He further stated loans and leases reports were in their binders for review.

ITEM 4. CONSENT AGENDA:

A) APPROVAL OF MINUTES- APRIL 18, 2022, REGULAR CALLED MEETING.

Board Member Commissioner Ricardo Medina **moved** to approve. Board Member Reynaldo Perez seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

ITEM 5. REGULAR AGENDA - OPEN SESSION:

Chairman, Mayor Ambrosio Hernandez 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.

Chairman, Mayor Ambrosio Hernandez 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 3:05 p. m.

ITEM 7. RECONVENE:

Chairman, Mayor Ambrosio Hernandez stated that the time being 3:50 p.m. the board will be resuming meeting, into Regular Session, and consider action, if necessary, on any item(s) discussed in closed session.

A) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON PROJECT CAST.

Victor Perez, President/CEO, introduced the item and stated Staff recommended approval as discussed in closed session.

Board member Commissioner Ricardo Medina **moved** to approve. Board member Commissioner Ramiro Caballero seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

B) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON PROJECT PAL.

Victor Perez, President/CEO, introduced the item and stated Staff recommended approval as discussed in closed session.

Board Member Commissioner Ramiro Caballero **moved** to approve. Board member Commissioner Ricardo Medina seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

C) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON PROJECT GOGO.

Victor Perez, President/CEO, introduced the item and stated Staff recommended approval as discussed in closed session.

Board Member Reynaldo Perez **moved** to approve. Board member Marty Moore seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

D) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON PROJECT CHEESE.

Victor Perez, President/CEO, introduced the item and stated Staff recommended approval as discussed in closed session.

Board Member Commissioner Ricardo Medina **moved** to approve. Board member Reynaldo Perez seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

E) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON PROJECT POLK AND FLAG.

Victor Perez, President/CEO, introduced the item and stated Staff recommended approval as discussed in closed session.

Board Member Commissioner Ricardo Medina **moved** to approve. Board member Commissioner Ramiro Caballero seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

F) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON PROJECT APPLE.

Victor Perez, President/CEO, introduced the item and stated Staff recommended approval as discussed in closed session.

Board Member Commissioner Ricardo Medina **moved** to approve. Board member Commissioner Ramiro Caballero seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

G) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON APPROVAL OF SUBORDINATION OF LIEN.

Victor Perez, President/CEO, introduced the item and stated Staff recommended to table as discussed in closed session.

Board Member Commissioner Ricardo Medina **moved** to approve. Board member Reynaldo Perez seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

ITEM 8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Ricardo Medina **moved** to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Board Member Marty Moore and when put to a vote, the motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Mayor Ambrosio Hernandez, Chairman

ATTEST:

Reynaldo Perez, Secretary

APPROVED:

June 20, 2022