

TEXAS CITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 5, 2025 - 2:30 PM

CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

The Texas City Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors met February 5, 2025, at 2:30 p.m., in the City Hall Conference Room, 1801 9th Avenue North, in Texas City, Texas. A quorum having been met, the meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by Mark Ciavaglia with the following in attendance:

(1) DECLARATION OF QUORUM

(2) ROLL CALL

Present: Mark Ciavaglia, Chairperson  
Randy Dietel, Vice-Chairperson  
Dedrick D. Johnson, Mayor/ Director  
Phil Roberts, Director  
Cynthia Rushing, Ex-Officio Member / Treasurer

Staff Present: Jon Branson, Executive Director of Management Services  
Kristin Edwards, Economic Development Director  
Rhomari Leigh, Board Secretary  
Ariel Callis, Economic Project Manager  
Patricia Mata, Community Development & Grants Administration Program Coordinator  
Jade Jones, Community Events and Tourism Manager  
Renee Edgar, Records Manager

Attendees: Jamie Louviere, TCISD  
Alexis Kopp, TCISD

(3) CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

There were none.

(4) Consider Approval of the November 20, 2024 Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Mayor/ Director Dedrick D. Johnson, Seconded by Vice-Chairperson Randy Dietel

**Vote:** 4 - 0 CARRIED

(5) PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

(6) NEW BUSINESS

- (a) Discussion and possible action on Resolution No. 2025-01, authorizing a TCLM Chamber Membership Grant for DC Planning, in an amount not to exceed \$500.

Motion by Director Phil Roberts, Seconded by Mayor/ Director Dedrick D. Johnson

**Vote:** 4 - 0 CARRIED

- (b) Discussion and possible action on Resolution No. 2025-02, approving the purchase of property located within the Industrial Business District at 502 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue N. (GCAD ID# 224446).

Need to confirm the address of the property to insure it is in the Industrial Business District.

Motion by Mayor/ Director Dedrick D. Johnson, Seconded by Vice-Chairperson Randy Dietel

**Vote:** 4 - 0 CARRIED

- (c) Discussion and possible action on Resolution No. 2025-03, authorizing a Business Improvement Grant (BIG Grant) for Brushmore Family & Cosmetic Dentistry in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.

Motion by Vice-Chairperson Randy Dietel, to table item for further discussion. Motion withdrawn due to lack of a second.

Motion by Director Phil Roberts, Seconded by Mayor/ Director Dedrick D. Johnson

**Vote:** 3 - 1 CARRIED

- (d) Discussion and possible action on Resolution No. 2025-04, authorizing a Business Improvement Grant (BIG Grant) for One Stop Testing and Wellness in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.

Motion by Vice-Chairperson Randy Dietel, Seconded by Mayor/ Director Dedrick D. Johnson

**Vote:** 4 - 0 CARRIED

- (e) Discussion and possible action on Resolution No. 2025-05, authorizing a Business Improvement Grant (BIG Grant) for Whiskey Bay for an amount not to exceed \$3,000.

Motion by Mayor/ Director Dedrick D. Johnson, Seconded by Vice-Chairperson Randy Dietel to reject grant and to pay as budget. Property is owned by the TCEDC.

**Vote:** 4 - 0 CARRIED

- (f) Discussion and possible action on Resolution No. 2025-06, authorizing a Business Improvement Grant (BIG Grant) for Lercy's Diner for an amount not to exceed \$15,000.

Motion by Mayor/ Director Dedrick D. Johnson, Seconded by Director Phil Roberts

**Vote:** 4 - 0 CARRIED

(7) UPDATES AND REPORTS

- (a) Texas City ISD Update

Jamie Louviere and Alexis Kopp gave updates on up-coming events.

- (b) City of Texas City Staff Update

Jon Branson, Executive Director of Management Services, gave an update on the possible sale of property.

Kristin Edwards, Economic Development Director, gave an update on a billion dollar project that will also have an opportunity of bringing 600 jobs to the City of Texas. As well as an update on the progress of the road at Shoal Point and SH 197 and an update on a meeting about The Phoenix on February 19, 2025. Introduced the new Community Events and Tourism Manager, Jade Jones.

(8) REQUEST AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

There were none.

(9) ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, Mark Ciavaglia adjourned the meeting at 3:19 p.m.

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Board Secretary  
Texas City Economic Development Corporation

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_