LA MARQUE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 20, 2017

AGENDA:

1. CALL TO ORDER
President Ron Crowder called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL
PRESENT:
Ron Crowder, President
Gene Smith, Secretary
Deanie Barrett
Louis "Mac" McGaffey

ABSENT:
Bobby Hocking

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
a. Regular Meeting of March 16, 2017. Board member Smith made a motion to approve the minutes of March 16, 2017. Board member Barrett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT
a. Presentation of Monthly Financial Report
The monthly financial report stood as presented by the Finance Director.

5. PRESENTATION
a. Mudasir 'Lucky" Lakhani; former A-1 store at FM 1765 & Vauthier
Mr. Lakhani provided information and the projected timeline of a proposed project that he is seeking a grant from EDC for assisting in the development of this project. The location of the ingress and egress have been worked out as well as parking, landscaping and location of pumps.

6. NEW BUSINESS
a. Discussion/possible action regarding the future meeting location for the La Marque Economic Development Corporation
After a brief discussion, Board member Smith made a motion to continue having the monthly meetings at the EDC building located at 1130 1st Street. Board member McGaffey seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Discussion/possible action regarding the potential need for a separate meeting and meeting agenda for matters concerning the monies earmarked for revitalization
After a brief discussion, Board member Barrett made a motion to separate the regular meeting from the revitalization meeting and therefore have a second

agenda for matters concerning the monies earmarked for revitalization. Board member Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

c. Discussion/possible action to provide funding for Mayor Hocking to research architectural design and recruit business while attending the 2017 National Hurricane Conference in New Orleans
Board member Smith made a motion to provide funding ($500.00) for Mayor Hocking to research architectural design and recruit business while attending the 2017 National Hurricane Conference in New Orleans. Board member Barrett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

d. Discussion/possible action regarding the purchase of a camera
Board member Barrett made a motion to approve the purchase of a camera for EDC. Board member Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

e. Discussion/possible action regarding the quote from Alex's Air Conditioning, Inc. dated April 10, 2017
After a brief discussion, Board member Barrett made a motion to approve the quote from Alex's Air Condition, Inc. dated April 10, 2017. Board member Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

7. OLD BUSINESS
a. Discussion/possible action regarding the request made by Mudasir Lakhani
Board member Smith made a motion to approve the grant for the project by Mudasir Lakhani. For the signage, the EDC granted up to $10,000.00 as long as the word "La Marque" was included and an additional $10,000 for the parking lot resurfacing. Board member Barrett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

8. DISCUSSION
a. Director's Report - report may include past, present, or future projects
Executive Director provided the report and highlighted the recent Bigass Crawfish Bash and the attendance. He also added that the EDC budget workshop with City Council will be held on the 24th of July at the Council Chambers. He had also met with three architects and will bring more information back to the Board in the near future.

b. Public Relations Report – report to include an overview of efforts as it pertains public relations
Public Relations Specialist provided two presentations, one showing future plans for the Ike Dike Project, the other was a Galveston County report highlighting their current projects.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION
There was no executive session

10. ACTION TO BE TAKEN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION
There was no executive session

11. REQUESTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS
President Ron Crowder asked that the annual financial report that was distributed, be placed on the next EDC agenda for the Boards approval.

12. ADJOURNMENT

It was the consensus of the Board to adjourn the meeting 9:20 a.m.

Ron Crowder, President

Robin Eldridge, TMRC
City Clerk