



**LA MARQUE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 15, 2018**

AGENDA:

1. CALL TO ORDER
President Crowder opened the meeting at 8:01 a.m.
2. ROLL CALL
PRESENT:
Ron Crowder, President
Gene Smith, Secretary
Deanie Barrett
Bobby Hocking
Louis "Mac" McGaffey
ABSENT:
None
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a. Regular Meeting of February 15, 2018
After a brief discussion, Board member Smith made a motion to approve the minutes. Board member McGaffey seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
4. FINANCIAL REPORT
 - a. Presentation of Monthly Financial Report
The report stood as submitted.
5. PRESENTATION – None
6. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Discussion/possible action regarding the annual financial report provided by Belt, Harris, Pechacek LLLP

Mike Brotherton, a partner of Belt, Harris, Pechacek, LLLP gave a review of the annual financial report. Chairman Crowder made a motion to table this item until corrections were made to the document. Board member Barrett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Discussion/possible action to renew membership with the Texas Downtown Association
Board member Hocking made a motion to renew membership with the Texas Downtown Association for the amount of \$270.00. Board member Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

c. Discussion/possible action to attend ICSC Recon on May 20-23, 2018
Board member Barrett made a motion to allow interested board members and executive director to attend the ICSC Recon on May 20-23, 2018. Board member Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

7. OLD BUSINESS - There was none

8. DISCUSSION

a. Director's Report - report may include past, present, or future projects
The Executive Director provided a few additions to the report, including the distribution of information relating to an Empowerment Zone, with a possible workshop between City Council and the EDC was mentioned. The need for a swale was discussed for the area adjacent to the recently acquired property along Vauthier.

b. Public Relations Report – report to include an overview of efforts as it pertains public relations
The Public Relations Officer presented her report, there were no other additions.

Dr. Bix Rathburn provided a brief report on some of the projects he is pursuing including a still active prospective hotel site and alternative options for a potential business.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

a. Section 551.072 of the Government Code - deliberations about real property - land acquisition and or sale
There was no Executive Session.

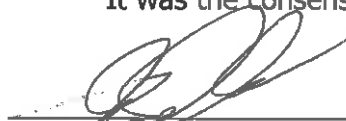
10. ACTION TO BE TAKEN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

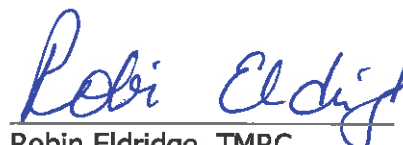
a. Consider land acquisition and or sale - NA

11. REQUESTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS - None

12. ADJOURNMENT

It was the consensus of the Board to adjourn at 8:24 a.m.



Ron Crowder, President

Robin Eldridge, TMRC
City Clerk

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