LA MARQUE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MAY 17, 2018

AGENDA:

1. CALL TO ORDER
President Crowder opened the meeting at 8:02 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:	ABSENT:
Ron Crowder, President	Louis "Mac" Mc Gaffey
Gene Smith, Secretary	
Deanie Barrett	
Bobby Hocking	

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
a. Special Meeting of April 20, 2018. Board member Smith made a motion to approve the minutes. Board member Barrett 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 registration for Connect CTY and e-notifications messaging
After a brief explanation, no action was taken by the Board.

b. Discussion/possible action to appoint a budget review committee
Board member Hocking made a motion to appoint Gene Smith, Deanie Barrett and Alex Getty to the budget review committee. Board member Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously

c. Discussion/possible action regarding a fiscal year 2017-2018 budget amendment
After a brief discussion, Board member Barrett made a motion to approve the fiscal year 2017-2018 budget amendment. Board member Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

d. Discussion/possible action to ratify a lease agreement between the La Marque EDC and W. Minak Enterprises LLC
After a brief discussion, Board member Hocking made a motion to ratify the lease agreement between the La Marque EDC and W. Minak Enterprises LLC (405 Laurel). Board member Barrett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

e. Discussion/possible action regarding the administrative services agreement between the La Marque Economic Development Corporation and the City of La Marque.
After a brief discussion, Board member Barrett made a motion to approve the administrative services agreement between the La Marque Economic Development Corporation and the City of La Marque. Board member Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

f. Discussion/possible action to hire an architect to design and construct transportation and parking improvements to help support multi-modal transportation as introduced in the Renaissance District Revitalization Plan
After a brief discussion, including potential funding sources for the actual improvements (Goodman Corporation or Galveston County grants, EDC), Board member Barrett made a motion to approve the hiring of an architect to design and construct transportation and parking improvements to help support multi-modal transportation as introduced in the Renaissance District Revitalization Plan. Board member Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

g. Discussion/possible action for the EDC staff and interested Board members to attend the TEDC mid-year conference to be held in Galveston, Texas on June 13-15, 2018
Please see below.

h. Discussion/possible action regarding the sponsorship of the TEDC mid-year conference to be held in Galveston, Texas
After a brief discussion, Board member Hocking made a motion to approve items g and h in one motion. Board member Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

7. OLD BUSINESS
   a. Discussion/possible action regarding the annual financial report provided by Belt, Harris, Pechacek LLLP

In the absence of a representative of Belt, Harris, and Pechacek LLP, Finance Director Suzy Kou answered a few questions the Board had on the financial ~~report.~~ and ? After a brief discussion, Board member Smith made a motion to accept the annual financial report provided by Belt, Harris, and Pechacek LLP. Board member Barrett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

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8. DISCUSSION
   a. Director's Report - report may include past, present, or future projects

Director submitted his report with an addition that one of the tenants is behind on their monthly payments and then discussed Mr. Jain's desire to reacquire real estate from the EDC for his development.

b. Public Relations Report – report to include an overview of efforts as it pertains public relations

Public Relations Specialist submitted her report with no additions.

Dr. Bix Rathburn provided a brief report and expressed his interest in pursuing potential investors from other Counties for the future of the I-45 and Vauthier area of the City.

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

11. REQUESTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS

President Crowder expressed his interest in going out for bid in the future for auditing services

12. ADJOURNMENT

It was the consensus of the Board to adjourn the meeting at 9:37 a.m.

Bobby Hocking

Ron Crowder, President

Robin Eldridge

Robin Eldridge, TMRC
City Clerk