



**LA MARQUE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 20, 2018**

AGENDA:

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
Board Member Bobby Hocking called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m.
2. **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: ABSENT: Ron Crowder, President
Gene Smith, Secretary
Louis "Mac" McGaffey
Bobby Hocking
Deanie Barrett
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. Special Meeting of November 8, 2018
Board member Barrett made a motion to approve. Board member Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
4. **FINANCIAL REPORT**
 - a. Presentation of Monthly Financial Report
Financial report stood as submitted.
5. **PRESENTATION**
 - a. Tom Farmer, Four Winds Investments Incorporated
Tom Farmer was unable to attend this meeting but is contemplating expanding La Marque operations.
 - b. Greg Cornett; Snow King
Greg Cornett, owner of Snow King gave some pros and cons to leasing property located at 210 Highway 3 for the purpose of a weekend market area for a few vendors. Some of his concerns included water source, wastewater disposal, restroom (porta-cans) and security were some concerns.
6. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. Discussion and recommendations related to the creation of a public improvement district (Trails at Woodhaven Lakes) within the corporate limits of La Marque and any associated development agreements

Derra Purnell, legal counsel for Olson and Olson provided some background information and answered questions on issues related to the creation of this

proposed public improvement district of which most could be resolved and included in the assessment plan document. (Bond issuance; time frames, management fees and other). The first phase will be taken before Council in January. The City's Bond Counsel is working closely with staff through the process.

- b. Discussion/possible action regarding 2017-2018 budget transfer request as part of year end process and procedures

Finance Director Kou was out ill so Executive Director provided the information required to balance a few line items, in which unforeseen expenses occurred in fiscal year 2018. Board member Barrett made a motion to approve the 2017-2018 budget transfer request as part of year end process and procedures. Board member Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

- c. Discussion/possible action regarding Provision Specialized Resources, LLC (Council approved general grant administrator)

After a brief discussion, Board member Smith authorized the Executive Director to utilize Provision Specialized Resources for EDC purposes. Board member McGaffey seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

- d. Discussion/possible action regarding the Four Winds Investments Incorporated request for incentives

After a brief discussion, and with the absence of Mr. Farmer, Board member Barrett made a motion to table this item to allow Mr. Farmer to finalize his proposal. Board member Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

- e. Discussion/possible action regarding Greater Houston Partnership annual membership

Board member McGaffey made a motion to approve the Greater Houston Partnership annual membership of \$1050.00. Board member Barrett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

7. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion/possible action regarding a potential ground lease for 210 Highway 3

After a brief discussion, Board member Smith made a motion to lease 210 Highway 3 to Greg Cornett for future food trucks and market days at that location. Board member Barrett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

8. DISCUSSION

- a. Director's Report - report may include past, present, or future projects
Executive Director provided an addition to his report which included Live racing will continue beginning on December 26, 2018 at the Gulf Greyhound Park.

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

Public Relations Officer provided an addition to her report, which was a presentation of the recent meeting held with Clark Condon regarding signage on the bridges along the stretch included in the expansion project (I-45). Also reported about a new local radio station, (KHEA) that will be helping promote the City in the future on many different levels. She mentioned the successful recent Wreaths Across America ceremony that she had attended.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Section 551.072 of the Government Code - deliberations about real property - land acquisition and or sale

Board member Hocking closed the regular meeting and opened the Executive Session at 9:07 a.m.

Board member Hocking reconvened to the regular meeting at 9:23 a.m.

10. ACTION TO BE TAKEN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Consider land acquisition and or sale

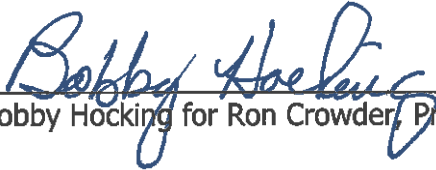
Board member Barrett made a motion to authorize the Executive Director to accept an offer from TxDOT to sell .1044 acres of land for \$31,836.00 to make way for the I-45 expansion. (Vauthier and I-45). Board member Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

11. REQUESTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS

Board members wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

12. ADJOURNMENT

Board member Barret made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:25 a.m. Board member Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.


Bobby Hocking for Ron Crowder, President


Robin Eldridge, TMRC
City Clerk

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