



**LA MARQUE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 18, 2019**

AGENDA:

1. CALL TO ORDER
President Crowder called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
2. ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT:
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a. Meeting of March March 21, 2019
Board member Smith made a motion to approve the minutes of March 21, 2019.
Board member Barrett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
4. FINANCIAL REPORT
 - a. Presentation of Monthly Financial Report
Report stood as submitted.
5. PRESENTATION
 - a. Bob Randall, President RPA Architects; Laurel and 1st streetscape update

Mr. Randall reported on some challenges he was experiencing in respect to the private property owner's rights in the Renaissance District in relation to the street scape project. Balancing green space and the 2400 feet of sidewalks that is proposed for the project, streetlighting, re-guttering, asphalt, and drainage were discussed. Discussion also included the current ordinance on criteria for grease traps. Chairman Crowder asked how far over or under budget for the project. Mr. Randall is to compile that data and return.
6. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Discussion/possible action regarding the updates provided by Bob Randall
After a brief discussion, no action was taken.
 - b. Discussion/possible action to appoint a budget review committee

Board member Hocking made a motion to reappoint the current budget review committee members: Deannie Barrett, Alex Getty and Gene Smith. Board member McGaffey seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

c. Discussion/possible action in regard to sending PR Specialist Merritt to TAMIO

After a brief discussion, Board member McGaffey made a motion to send PR Specialist Merritt to TAMIO. 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 added that one bid was in on the fence for 401 Laurel; a re-bid was to take place for the city demolition project, to separate the 408-416 Laurel as it is the only commercial structure and needs asbestos remediation prior to demo; Texas City has shown an interest to the "spine" road near Sam's Club that was discussed a couple of years ago.

b. Public Relations Report – report to include an overview of efforts as it pertains public relations with no additions.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Section 551.072 of the Government Code - deliberations about real property - land acquisition and or sale
- b. Section 551.071 of the Government Code – consultation with attorney

There was no need for an Executive Session

10. ACTION TO BE TAKEN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Consider land acquisition and or sale
- b. Consider action to be taken regarding consultation with attorney

NA

11. REQUESTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS

It was the consensus of the Board to adjourn at 10:44 a.m.

This unofficial copy of the minutes from the above meeting are posted for convenience only. Executed or certified copies of the minutes can be requested by contacting the City Clerk.
