



**LA MARQUE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MAY 21, 2020**

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ORDER OF THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR ISSUED MARCH 16, 2020, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LA MARQUE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION CONDUCTED THIS MEETING BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE IN ORDER TO ADVANCE THE PUBLIC HEALTH GOAL OF LIMITING FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS (ALSO CALLED "SOCIAL DISTANCING") TO SLOW THE SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19). THERE WAS NO PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE LOCATION AND A TOLL-FREE DIAL-IN NUMBER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TELEPHONIC MEETING WAS PROVIDED. THE PUBLIC WAS PERMITTED TO OFFER PUBLIC COMMENTS TELEPHONICALLY AS PROVIDED BY THE AGENDA AND AS PERMITTED BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER DURING THE MEETING.

AGENDA:

1. CALL TO ORDER
Chairman Crowder called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Ron Crowder, Chairman
Gene Smith, Secretary
Deanie Barrett
Louis "Mac" McGaffey
Bobby Hocking

3. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Discussion/possible action to appoint a budget review committee for Fiscal Year 2021
Board member Hocking made a motion to approve the appointment of Board members Smith and Barrett to the budget review committee for Fiscal Year 2021. Board member Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
 - b. Discussion/possible action to ratify total expenditure of the Emergency Business Retention Program that was approved by the EDC Board on April 2, 2020
Board member Barrett made a motion to ratify total expenditure of the Emergency Business Retention Program that was approved by the EDC Board on April 2, 2020. Board member Hocking seconded the motion. Chairman Crowder

and Board member McGaffey abstained from voting on this item. The motion passed with three votes.

c. Discussion/possible action regarding a round 2 of the Emergency Business Retention Program

Board member Barrett made a motion to approve a second round of the Emergency Business Retention Program. Board member Hocking seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

d. Discussion/possible action regarding the Business Improvement Funds application submitted by K.B. Kids Daycare

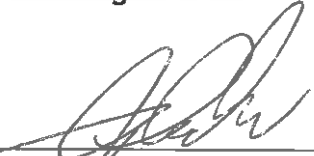
Board member McGaffey made a motion to approve the Business Improvement Funds application submitted by K.B. Kids Daycare. Board member Barrett seconded the motion. After a brief discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

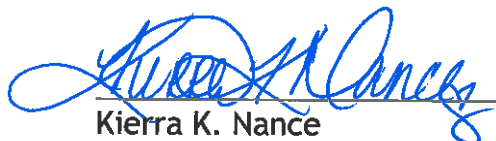
4. REQUESTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS

Board member Barrett inquired about the financial reports, which Chairman Crowder announced that financial reports will be tabled until in person meetings resume.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Crowder adjourned the meeting at 9:13 a.m.



Ron Crowder, Chairman

Kierra K. Nance
Deputy City Clerk

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