

City of Keller

Economic Development Board Meeting Minutes

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Monday, June 21, 2021

REGULAR MEETING 6:00 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

Councilwoman Sheri Almond called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

The following Board Members were present:
Councilwoman Sheri Almond
Becky Haskin
Jeffrey Plant
Bob Stephenson
Steve Shrum, Advisory Member
Matt Matthews, Advisory Member
Bassel Korkor, Alternate

Administrative personnel present were Mark R. Hafner, City Manager, Mary M. Culver, Economic Development Director and Siale Langi, Economic Development Specialist.

B. MINUTES

1. Consider the approval of the minutes of the regular meeting on May 17, 2021.

Mrs. Becky Haskin motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Jeffrey Plant seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

C. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 1. Section 551.087, Texas Government Code Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations.
 - (1) To discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations; or
 - (2) To deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described by Subdivision.
 - a. Project Guadalupe at 455 Keller Parkway, Keller, TX 76248
- 2. Adjourn into Open Meeting

Councilwoman Sheri Almond reconvened the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. <u>Consider Chapter 380 Economic Development Incentive Request for Project Guadalupe</u> located at 455 Keller Parkway, Keller, TX 76248

Mrs. Becky Haskin motioned to recommend approval Chapter 380 of the Agreement with **Project** Guadalupe City Council. Mr. **Bob** Stephenson seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

E. WORK SESSION

1. <u>Discuss the City of Keller Comprehensive Policy of Guidelines and Criteria for Economic Development Incentives.</u>

The Board discussed the current components of the City of Keller Comprehensive Policy of Guidelines and Criteria for Economic Development Incentives, potential changes and areas for improvement. The Board provided direction for staff to:

- Research potential changes from 87th Texas legislative session related to local economic development.
- Research neighboring and comparable municipalities' incentive policies.
- Research "Fast-tracking" incentives and reasonable standard review times.

F. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

1. Receive an Economic Development update.

Mrs. Mary Culver provided board members with an economic development update which included new business openings, business recruitment and retention efforts, business relocations and status updates on businesses and current commercial developments.

G. ADJOURN

Mr. Bob Stephenson motioned to adjourn the meeting, Mrs. Becky Haskin

seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Chairperson

Staff Liaison

