

# **City of Keller**

# Economic Development Board Meeting Minutes

Keller Town Hall 1100 Bear Creek Parkway Keller, TX 76248 817-743-4000 www.cityofkeller.com

Monday, August 21, 2023

## **REGULAR MEETING 6:00 P.M.**

### A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Armin Mizani called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

The following board members were present:

Mayor Armin Mizani
Councilman Tag Green
Ashley Hernandez
Nate Bernklau
Clay Starling
Bassel Korkor
Loren Whitten
Jim Fletcher

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

#### **B. MINUTES**

1. Consider the approval of the minutes of the regular meeting on May 15, 2023.

Mr. Bassel Korkor motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Mrs. Ashley Hernandez provided a second and the motion passed unanimously.

#### C. NEW BUSINESS

 Consider a City of Keller Façade Improvement Grant request for 136 Pecan Street, Keller, TX 76248.

Items C-1, C-2, C-3 and C-4 were presented simultaneously, before action was taken in consecutive order on the requests.

Mr. Siale Langi presented the \$10,000 grant request for eligible improvements which included the replacement of 16 aging aluminum windows with energy efficient windows. The total estimated cost of all grant eligible facade improvements is \$13,294.

Mayor Armin Mizani motioned to recommend denial of the request, Mrs. Ashley Hernandez seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

- 2. <u>Consider a City of Keller Façade Improvement Grant request for 241 South Main Street, Keller, TX 76248.</u>
  - Items C-1, C-2, C-3 and C-4 were presented simultaneously, before action was taken in consecutive order on the requests.
  - Mr. Siale Langi presented the \$10,000 grant request for eligible improvements which included: replacement of the wood ramps and rails on the side of the property, installation of matching rails on the front entry way, installation of new landscaping on the north side of the property and around the monument sign, repairing loose and broken stones on monument sign, installation of cedar shake style siding on the peak of the main entry, installation of a mural and string lights to beautify the utility area. The total estimated cost of all grant eligible facade improvements is \$16,000.
  - Mr. Bassel Korkor motioned to recommend approval as presented, Mayor Armin Mizani seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- 3. <u>Consider a City of Keller Façade Improvement Grant request for 152 South Main Street, Keller, TX 76248.</u>
  - Items C-1, C-2, C-3 and C-4 were presented simultaneously, before action was taken in consecutive order on the requests.
  - Mr. Siale Langi presented the \$5,625 request for eligible improvements which included painting of the exterior of the structure and the installation of awnings over both entry ways. The total estimated cost of all grant eligible facade improvements is \$5,625.
  - Mr. Bassel Korkor motioned to recommend approval as presented, Mr. Nate Bernklau seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Consider a City of Keller Façade Improvement Grant request for 154 South Main Street, Keller, TX 76248.
  - Items C-1, C-2, C-3 and C-4 were presented simultaneously, before action was taken in consecutive order on the requests.
  - Mr. Siale Langi presented the \$10,000 grant request for eligible improvements which included painting the exterior of the building as well as the installation of awnings over both entrances of the building. The total estimated cost of all grant eligible facade improvements is \$9,219.
  - Mr. Bassel Korkor motioned to recommend approval as presented, Mr. Clay Starling seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### D. 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 retention, recruitment, and expansion efforts, business relocations, recent City Council actions, and status updates on upcoming commercial developments.

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Mayor Armin Mizani motioned to adjourn the meeting, Councilman Tag Green seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 PM.

Chairperson

Staff Liaison