

May 23, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

MINUTES of a Meeting of the San Benito Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors held on Thursday May 23, 2019 at 5:30 P.M. at the 701 N. Bowie St., San Benito, Cameron County, Texas 78586.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Julian Rios, President
Rene Garcia, Vice-President
Encarnación López, Secretary/Treasurer
Ramiro Guerra, Board Member
Mary Bolado, Board Member
Priscilla Guajardo, Board Member
Mayor Benjamín Gómez, Ex-Officio Member

### **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Jeremy Maya, Board Member

#### **SBEDC Staff:**

Rebeca Castillo, SBEDC Executive Director Victoria Padron, SBEDC Economic Development Specialist

### **Others Present:**

Antonio Torres, SBEDC Attorney

### 1. Determination of a quorum

Mr. Julian Rios made welcoming remarks. A quorum was determined to be present.

### 2. Call to Order

Mr. Julian Rios called the meeting to order at 05:47 PM.

### 3. Invocation

Prayer Invocation was led by Ms. Mary Bolado.

### 4. Public Comments

No Public Comments

5. Presentation and Acknowledgement of the San Benito EDC Financial Statements for the period ending March 31, 2019

Mrs. Rebeca Castillo, EDC Executive Director presented the San Benito Economic Development Corporation financial statements for the period ending on March 31, 2019 to the SBEDC Board of Directors.

A motion to acknowledge the San Benito EDC Financial Statements for the period ending on March 31, 2019 was made by Mr. Encarnacion Lopez motion was seconded by Mr. Rene Garcia. The motion carried unanimously.

### 6. Presentation and Acknowledgement of the USDA Small Business Loan Program report for the period ending on March 31, 2019

Mrs. Rebeca Castillo, EDC Executive Director, City of San Benito Finance Director, presented the USDA Small Business Loan Program report for the period ending on March 31, 2019 to the SBEDC Board of Directors.

A motion to acknowledge the USDA Small Business Loan Program report for the period ending March 31, 2019 was made by Mr. Encarnacion Lopez. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rene Garcia. The motion carried unanimously.

# 7. Presentation and Acknowledgement of the April 2019 Accounts Payable Reports Mrs. Rebeca Castillo, EDC Executive Director presented the April 2019 Accounts Payable Report.

A motion to acknowledge the April 2019 Accounts Payable Report was made by Mr. Rene Garcia. The motion was seconded by Mr. Encarnacion Lopez. The motion carried unanimously.

### 8. Consideration and Action on the following meeting minutes:

a. April 25, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Rebeca Castillo, EDC Executive Director presented the item. A motion to approve the April 25, 2019 meeting minutes was made by Mr. Rene Garcia. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ramiro Guerra. The motion carried unanimously.

### 9. Acknowledgement of the Annual THICA and Cook Off Post Event Report

A motion to table item 9 was made by Mr. Rene Garcia. The motion was seconded by Mr. Encarnacion Lopez. The motion carried unanimously.

## 10. Consideration and Possible Action on the Small Business Investment Program Guidelines Proposed Revisions

Mrs. Rebeca Castillo, EDC Executive Director discussed the Small Business Investment Program Guidelines Proposed Revisions. After some discussion, a motion to approve the Small Business Investment Program Guidelines Proposed Revisions was made by Mr. Encarnacion Lopez and seconded by Mr. Rene Garcia. The motion carried unanimously.

# 11. Consideration and Possible Action on the award of funding for the Small Business Investment Program Applications

Mrs. Rebeca Castillo, EDC Executive Director discussed the Small Business Investment Program Applications. After some discussion, a motion to approve the Small Business Investment Program Applications was made by Mr. Encarnacion Lopez and seconded by Mr. Rene Garcia. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Consideration and Possible Action on the funding for La Palma Sidewalk Project Mr. Arturo Garza, Parks and Recreation Director discussed La Palma Sidewalk Project. A motion to approve the funding of the La Palma Sidewalk Project in the amount of \$161,000 was made Mr. Rene Garcia. The funding will be committed/earmarked with \$45,000 in FY 2019, \$58,000 in FY 2020, and \$58,000 in FY 2021. The motion was seconded by Mr. Encarnacion Lopez. The motion carried unanimously.

### 13. Board Comments

No Comments

14. Meeting Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Rene Garcia. The motion was seconded by Mr. Encarnacion Lopez. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved by the San Benito Economic Development Corporation on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July 2019.

ATTEST:

Encarnación Lopez, Secretary/Treasurer