ORANGE COUNTY
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION

MINUTES
May 6, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Orange County Economic Development Corporation convened in a Regular Meeting at 10:00 AM Monday May 6, 2024 in the Orange County Commissioner's Courtroom 123 S 6th Street, Orange, TX 77630

Members Present

Commissioner Johnny Trahan, Pct. 1
Mike Stelly, City of West Orange
Christopher Baker, City of Bridge City
Randy Branch, City of West Orange
Cynthia Adams, City of Pinehurst
Shaun McAlpin – Orangefield ISD
Jay Trahan, City of Orange
David Jones, Gopher Industrial
Ida Schossow, GOACC

Members Absent:

Terri Gauthier, City of Bridge City
Commissioner Robert Viator, Pct. 4
Keith Wallace, Port of Orange
Robbie Hood, City of Vidor
Dr. Tom Johnson, Lamar State College Orange
Jerry Hood, City of Pinehurst
Chad Jennings, Golden Triangle Polymers
Travis Williams, Sabine River Authority
Shawn Sparrow, The Houseman Companies

Others Present:

Megan Layne, Executive Director
Jessica Irvin, Business Development Manager
Christopher Leavins, Legal Counsel

Official Notice of the meeting detailing the time, date, place and purpose (Agenda), was posted on the Orange County Economic Development Corporation website and Orange County Administration Building on May 2, 2024.

1. **Convene Meeting** President Stelly opened the meeting at 10:01 am

2. **Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call of Directors Present.** Mayor Branch led the invocation and Chief Stelly led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Recognize Guests.**

   None

4. **Public Comment**
   At this time, members of the public or of the Board of Directors of the Governing authority may comment about a subject not listed on the Agenda. Speakers shall be requested to limit their remarks to three (3) minutes or less. Specific factual information, or existing policy, may be stated in response to a comment. Any Deliberation or decision about the subject of the inquiry shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the Agenda for a subsequent Regular or Special Board Meeting.

   No Comments

5. **Discussion and possible action to approve Minutes for any previous Meeting(s).**

   Mayor Branch motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Member Trahan. Motion Carried.

6. **Discussion and possible action on financial matters including:**
   (A) Financial report – Motion to approve financial report made by Commissioner Trahan, seconded by Mayor Branch. Motion carried.
   (B) Bills for payment – Motion by Commissioner Trahan, seconded by Member McAlpin. Motion carried.

7. **Discussion and possible action regarding proposal for OCEDC's use of Placer.ai software.**

   No Action

8. **Executive Director's Regular Report.**

   Discussion/updates on the following.
   (A) Project Pipeline Report
       1. Project Sunkist Update
   (B) Contractor's Group Update (Greater Orange Area Chamber of Commerce)

(C)   GAP Analysis Reports
(D)   Visitor Guide Update
(E)   Megan Layne will be attending the TEDC Mid-year Conference and speaking on a panel regarding the 2023 CEDA award. The Conference will be held June 5-7.

9.   Closed Meeting to Deliberate 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 to Deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to such a business prospect, under Section 551.087 of the Act, regarding any current, confidential OCEDC Projects.

None

10.   Discussion and possible action resulting from Closed Meeting under Agenda Item No. 9.

None

11.   Discussion and possible action regarding possible changes to the date, time and/or place of one or more particular Regular Session(s) if any of such factors are presently anticipated to be changed from standard Board Policy.
July 1st, 2024 at 10:00 in the Commissioner's Court room.

12.   Adjourn Meeting.

Meeting adjourned 10:47 am.

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