



**ORANGE COUNTY  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
CORPORATION**

**MINUTES**

**July 11, 2022**

The Board of Directors of the Orange County Economic Development Corporation convened in a Regular Meeting at 10:00 AM Monday July 11, 2022 in the Orange County Commissioner's Courtroom 123 S 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Orange, TX 77630; Zoom ID:842 1812 2958, Pass Code: **468227**

**Members Present**

Commissioner Johnny Trahan, Pct. 1  
Mike Stelly, City of West Orange  
Cynthia Adams, City of Pinehurst  
Brent Walker, City of Bridge City  
Jay Trahan, City of Orange  
Dr. Tom Johnson, Lamar State College Orange  
Shawn McAlpin – Orangefield ISD  
Ida Schossow, GOACC

**Members Absent:**

Commissioner Robert Viator, Pct. 4  
Randy Branch, City of West Orange  
David Jones, Gopher Industrial  
Keith Wallace, Port of Orange  
Jerry Hood, City of Pinehurst  
Terri Gauthier, City of Bridge City  
Daniel Moreaux, Moreaux Transportation Services  
Robbie Hood, City of Vidor  
Stephen Lee, First Financial Bank  
Travis Williams, Sabine River Authority  
Shawn Sparrow, The Houseman Companies

**Others Present:**

Jessica Hill, Executive Director  
Megan Layne, Business Development Manager  
Gary Coker, Legal Counsel

that the EDC has recently onboarded. She also provided a pipeline update of 6 potential new projects for Orange County including a steel project, solar farm, LPG terminal, and renewable fuels project.

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.**

Enter closed session 11:03 am

10. **Discussion and possible action resulting from Closed Meeting under Agenda Item No. 8.**

Return from closed session 11:15 am

Motion by Commissioner Johnny Trahan to form a subcommittee to seek out new Executive Director for Orange County EDC following Jessica Hill's resignation. Seconded by Member Jay Trahan. Motion carried.

11. **Discussion and possible setting of date, time and place of any presently anticipated Special Meeting to be held prior to the next Regular Meeting.**

None

12. **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.**

Monday September 12th, 2022. 10 AM Commissioner's Court Room.

13. **Adjourn Meeting.**

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Trahan, seconded by Member Walker. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:26 am.

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Michael Petty

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