

**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING, PUBLIC HEARING & WORKSHOP
MISSION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
JULY 19, 2011 5:30 PM
CITY HALL**

PRESENT:

Cathy Garcia, President
Polo de Leon, Vice President
Ricardo Martinez, Treasurer
S. David Deanda, Jr., Secretary
Linda Requenez
Jody Tittle
Councilman Ruben Plata

ABSENT:

Mayor Norberto Salinas

ALSO PRESENT:

Ricardo Perez, Consultant
Alex Meade, Consultant
Gail Burkhardt, The Monitor
Kathy Olivarez, Progress Times
Jim Brunson, Progress Times
Sandra Vecchio
Berta Filut
Bill Filut
Eliud Garcia
Elizabeth Garcia
Juan Carlos Garcia

STAFF PRESENT:

Julio Cerda, City Manager
Sonia Carnes, Deputy City Manager
Anna Carrillo, City Secretary
Randy Perez, Assistant Finance Director
David Gonzales, Finance Dept.
Judy Vega, Executive Assistant

1. Call to order

With a quorum being present President Cathy Garcia called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes – June 21, 2011

There being no corrections or additions Polo de Leon moved for approval. Motion was seconded by Linda Requenez and approved 6-0.

3. Financial Statements for June 2011

Assistant Finance Director, Randy Perez presented and recommended approval of the financial statement for June 2011.

After some discussion of the June, 2011 financial statements Ricardo Martinez moved to approve as presented. Motion was seconded by Polo de Leon and approved 6-0.

4. Public Hearing

A. MEDC FY 2011-12 Proposed Budget

President Garcia opened the public hearing at 5:37 p.m. and asked for comments on the MEDC FY 2011-12 proposed budget. There were no comments. President Garcia declared the public hearing closed at 5:38 p.m.

The notice of public hearing and notice of intention to undertake project was published on June 24, 2011 and the 60 day comment period will end on August 23, 2011.

Mission Economic Development Corporation considered the following project or projects during the Funding requests for FY 2011-12 as follows: (1) City of Mission in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 and (2) Texas Citrus Fiesta in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.

5. Workshop – discussion of proposed budget for FY 2011-12

A. Texas Citrus Fiesta

B. City of Mission

David Deanda joined the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Representatives of each agency appeared before the membership and explained their requests.

Berta Filut and Bill Filut from the Texas Citrus Fiesta reported on their request of \$60,000. She reported that they were doing well and they had a very good year.

Mr. Julio Cerda, City Manager reported on the city's request of \$635,000. He reported that the funds would be used for Mile 2 West project. The original request was for \$500,000 therefore authorization was to be requested at the next regular meeting to publish for an additional \$135,000 for FY 11-12 funding request.

6. Report by P3 Economics

Alex Meade, Consultant reported on several business prospects that were interested in investing in the City of Mission that was approximately \$44.5 million in investments.

At 5:59 p.m., Ricardo Martinez moved to convene into executive session pursuant to Local Government Code Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney. Motion was seconded by Polo de Leon and approved unanimously 7-0.

7. Executive Session pursuant to V.T.C.A. Gov. Code Sec. 551.001

Consultation with Attorney, Section 551.071

Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations, Section 551.087

A. Deliberation on prospective economic development projects and possible action

Personnel matters. Sec. 551.074

A. Employment of Executive Director

The MEDC Board will reconvene in open session to take any actions necessary

At 6:56 p.m., Polo de Leon moved to reconvene in open session. Motion was seconded by Linda Requenez and approved unanimously 7-0.

No action was taken on executive session items.

8. President's Comments

President Cathy Garcia advised the board of the hiring of Alex Meade as Executive Director pursuant to previous MEDC board action. She also welcomed her family to the meeting.

9. Adjournment

Ricardo Martinez moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by David Deanda and approved 7-0. Meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Cathy Garcia President

ATTEST:

S. David Deanda Secretary