

MINUTES
CITY OF DENTON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD
September 12, 2018

After determining that a quorum was present, the Economic Development Partnership Board convened on Wednesday, September 12, 2018, at 11:02 a.m. The meeting was held in the City Council Work Session Room at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas, 76201.

PRESENT: Jimmy Mejia, Keely G. Briggs, John Baines, Jill Jester, Marty Rivers, Jason Tomlinson, Michael Rondelli, Chris Davis, and Tony Clark

ABSENT: Carine Feyten, Neal Smatresk, Steve Edgar, Bob Eames, Jill Jester, and Gerard Hudspeth

EX-OFFICIO: Present: Chuck Carpenter Absent: Jamie Wilson and Todd Hileman

STAFF PRESENT: Caroline Booth, Michelle Cunningham, Adam Gawarecki, Karen Boenker, and Michelle Coughlin

Prior to beginning the Economic Development Partnership Board meeting, current members welcomed two new board members: Chris Davis and Tony Clark.

1. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

A. EDP18-048 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and select a recipient for recognition at the 2018 Business Award Breakfast.

Cunningham gave a brief summary of the history of the Mayor and City Council Business Awards Breakfast which originated in 2008. Cunningham said that each year the Economic Development Partnership Board recognizes a local business for its contribution to the economic growth and prosperity of the Denton Community, with a focus on the public private partnership investment in the City of Denton. Cunningham talked about the selection criteria and past Business Award recipients.

Cunningham presented information regarding each business that was nominated for the 2018 award. There was discussion amongst the board members regarding the attributes and contributions of each company. Jester made a motion to nominate the Target Company as the Economic Development Partnership Board 2018 Business Award Recipient. Briggs seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by a vote of 9-0.

B. EDP18-049 Staff Reports:

1. July 2018 STaND Report
2. August 2018 City RFI Activity Summary
3. Year-to-Date City Direct Lead Summary
4. September 2018 Chamber Activity Report

There were questions and a discussion regarding several prospects listed on the activity reports and Gawarecki talked about upcoming marketing activities.

C. EDP18-050

Consider approval of the minutes of the August 14, 2018, meeting.

Baines made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2018 meeting.
Briggs seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously with a vote of 9-0.

2. CONCLUDING ITEMS:

Booth mentioned a few items:

- At the prior evening's Denton City Council meeting, the City Council approved the renewal of the Denton Chamber's Economic Development contract with the City, with a vote of 6-0
 - During the last month of the fiscal year, the Economic Development staff will be focusing on business retention and expansion
 - There will be a second site visit in mid-October with an aviation research & development company that is seeking a 150-acre site at the Denton Enterprise Airport
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- There was also discussion regarding the need for a fire station at the Denton Municipal Airport
 - Reminder of the Mayor and City Council Breakfast on Thursday, September 27
 - Baines reminded everyone about the Denton Blues Festival this upcoming weekend

The meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.