

**MINUTES OF THE RIVER OAKS
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
MARCH 6, 2018**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

PRESIDENT DAN CHISHOLM
VP JOE ASHTON
DARREN HOUK
GREG HENDRICKSON
LINDA MORGAN
STEVE HOLLAND

STAFF PRESENT:

CITY SECRETARY MARVIN GREGORY
ASST CITY SECRETARY PAULA LUCK
EDC COORDINATOR PATRICIA WARD
COMMUNITY CENTER DIRECTOR SHIRLEY WHEAT

MEMBERS ABSENT:

BUCK BYBEE

1. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, President Chisholm called the Special Called Meeting of the Economic Development Corporation to order at 7:03 p.m. on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at River Oaks Community Center, 5300 Blackstone Drive, River Oaks, Texas 76114.

2. MEMBER ROLL CALL

All members were present except for Buck Bybee.

3. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 12, 2018 SPECIAL CALLED MEETING.

VP Ashton moved, seconded by Member Hendrickson to approve the Minutes of the February 12, 2018 Special Called Meeting. All voted "Aye".

4. APPEARANCE OF BILL CREWS REPRESENTING EXTREME PYROTECHNICS REGARDING THE ALL AMERICAN FESTIVAL FIREWORKS DISPLAY AND DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON THE PLANS FOR THIS YEAR'S DISPLAY.

Bill and Joe Crews were present. The size of shell depends on how much clearance is needed for the fall out zone. If the event is kept at the same location as in the past, we are limited to 2 ½ inch shells. If you move the event to the area around the horse barns at Camp Carter, we can use 6" shells but will cost more money. Can have fire trucks staged at Camp Carter in case something does happen. The concern was last year's show had several complaints. Some shots did not clear the trees. It could be because there were some differences in cakes. The number of shells was the same. Suggestion would be to not use the cakes and use only shells and to have the computer fire them which would limit the show to about 15-20 minutes. Board agreed to have the firework show again this year at the same location.

This year the Community Center will not be having booths at the church parking lot. It is possible the church may decide to do a festival.

5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE 2018 MEMBERSHIP LEVEL AND MEMBERSHIP DUES WITH THE WEST TARRANT CHAMBER.

Greg Fox, President of the West Tarrant Chamber of Commerce was present. Changes are being made to the Chamber. One major change is the name change to West Tarrant Chamber of Commerce. Will have an online newsletter, a Facebook page, and they are redoing the website. They have had Walmart on Jacksboro Hwy join the Chamber. Currently the Chamber consists of Sansom Park, River Oaks and Westworth Village. They are going to try and get Westover Hills to join.

VP Ashton moved, seconded by Member Houk to approve a one year standard trial membership in the amount of \$200.00. All voted "Aye".

6. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON THE RIVER OAKS EDC WEBSITE DESIGN.

Found out that the maps done thru google earth that shows the businesses in the cities is actually a drawing and not computer generated so it cannot be replicated. Another map was found that is similar to what they are looking for. The link will be sent to Jarod to add on the website and also a list of current business will be sent to Jarod.

7. UPDATE ON TXDOT APPROVAL REGARDING CONSTRUCTION OF THE WEST ENTRANCE SIGN ON RIVER OAKS BLVD.

The sign has to be on the hill for water drainage. All that we are waiting on is approval by the new standards. Suggestion is to go ahead and bid this project to get the cost and look at other designs.

8. STAFF REPORT FROM THE EDC CONSULTANT, WARD & ASSOCIATES.

Need to look at another date and go forward on the Economic Development plan. Look at city, partners, how you want to drive Economic Development, reach out to the community, look at tax base, human capital and assets. Need to find out where you want to go and where you want to be in a few years. Need to look at opportunity zones which were developed by the White House recently. This allows investments into those zones and receives tax credits for ten years. North Central Texas Council of Governments has Economic Development Administrative grants that no one has been applying for. Need to get training on grants and apply for some.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION: CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE: THE BOARD RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION(S) FROM TIME TO TIME ON ANY POSTED AGENDA ITEM TO RECEIVE ADVICE FROM ITS ATTORNEY AS PERMITTED BY LAW DURING THIS MEETING. THE BOARD MAY CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING:

- a. Section 551.071- To seek advice from attorney;
- b. Section 551.072- Discussion regarding possible sale, lease or acquisition of real estate; and
- c. Section 551.087- Discussion or deliberation regarding 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 a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body.

NONE

10. ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

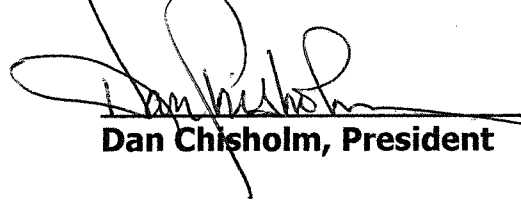
NONE

Mavericks BBQ is a family owned & operated business that will be going in the Braum's building. The plans are to be open from 11 am – 8 pm Monday thru Saturday and from 7 am – 3 pm on Sundays. This is a casual and family oriented restaurant. Plans are to open April 1st, 2018.

11. ADJOURN

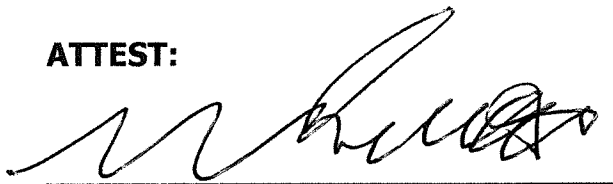
At 8:38 p.m. Member Holland moved, seconded by VP Ashton to adjourn the meeting. All voted "aye".

APPROVED:



Dan Chisholm, President

ATTEST:



Marvin Gregory, City Secretary