

PEDC MEETING MINUTES

PEDC Regular Meeting held on Thursday, March 17,2022

Those in attendance:

Ben Campbell, President
Suzanne Eiben, Vice President
Kim Willmott, Secretary/Treasurer
Charles Drane, Director
Joseph Thompson, Director
Greg Laudadio, Interim Director
Teresa Herrera, City Manager
Andrew Sibai, City Finance Director

- A. **CALL TO ORDER – Meeting was called to order at 11:37 a.m.**

- B. **PROPOSED CHANGES OF AGENDA ITEMS – Item G.3. was moved to the beginning of the agenda to allow grant applicants to present their projects without waiting.**

- C. **PUBLIC COMMENTS - None**

- D. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES - None**

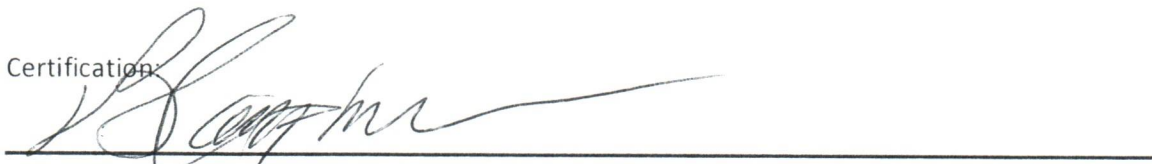
- E. **ITEMS FROM BOARD - None**

- F. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Report was presented to the board by Greg Laudadio. Topics discussed included updates on the business park, grants, upcoming events and PEDC staff training.**

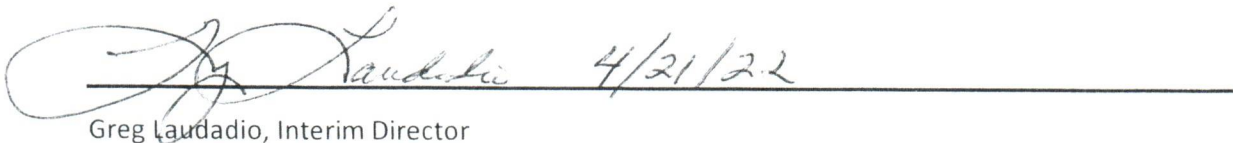
- G. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**
 - 1. **Consider approval of PEDC Minutes from 02/10/2022 - motion to approve was made by Joseph Thompson, second by Charles Drane. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.**
 - 2. **Consider approval of PEDC February Financial Report – motion to approve was made by Suzanne Eiben, second by Kim Willmott. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.**
 - 3. **Consider Applicants for the 2022 Community Development Grant – Grant applicants presented the details of their proposed projects and answered board member questions. Applicants who presented were Palestine YMCA, Hope Station, and City of Palestine Main Street Department.**

4. Discuss and take action regarding the formation of proposed PEDC Committees: Ben Campbell – **motion to approve the creation of a committee to identify and businesses, industries and companies that are needed and would benefit the Palestine community was made by Charles Drane, second by Joseph Thompson. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.**
- H. **CLOSED SESSION – 12:47 p.m.**
The Board will go into Closed Session pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapter D.
1. Section 551.072 deliberation regarding real property: the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property
 2. Section 551.087 deliberation regarding Economic Development negotiations
- I. **RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION – 1:14 p.m.**
1. Take any action regarding Section 551.072 - deliberation regarding real property: the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property. – **motion to extend purchase option agreements for land in the Willow Creek Business Park until June 30th for prospects #1038, #1041 and #1042 was made by Joseph Thompson, second by Charles Drane. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.**
 2. Take any action regarding Section 551.087 - deliberation regarding Economic Development negotiations. - **motion to make offer of land sale at appraised market value to prospect #1073 was made by Suzanne Eiben, second by Joseph Thompson. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.**
- J. **ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 1:16 p.m.**

Certification:



Ben Campbell, Board President



Greg Laudadio, Interim Director