



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Corpus Christi Business and Job Development Corporation -  
Type A

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Monday, April 17, 2023

2:00 PM

City Council Chambers

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The mission of the Business & Job Development (Type A) and B Corporations is to promote and enhance the City of Corpus Christi's economic base by supporting projects and programs that create primary jobs, improve small business and affordable housing opportunities, and improve infrastructure in our City.

**A. President Leah Pagan Olivarri to call the meeting to order.**

President Leah Olivarri called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

**B. Call Roll:**

Administrative Support Norma Duran with the City Secretary's Office called the roll and verified that a quorum of the Board was present to conduct the meeting.

**Present:** 5 - President Leah Pagan Olivarri, Board Member Robert Tamez, Board Member John Valls, Vice-President Alan Wilson and Board Member Jesus Jimenez

**Absent:** 2 - Board Member Scott Harris and Secretary Diana Summers

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

President Olivarri referred to Public Comment. There were no comments from the public.

**D. MINUTES / EXCUSE ABSENCES**

1. [23-0305](#) Approval of Minutes of the Type A January 9, 2023 Regular Meeting and January 30, 2023 Special Meeting.

President Olivarri referred to Item 1. Mr. Valls made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Jimenez, and passed unanimously.

**E. FINANCIAL REPORT**

2. [23-0681](#) Type A Financial Reports as of February 28, 2023

President Olivarri referred to Item 2. Director of Finance Heather Hurlbert presented the financial reports as of February 28, 2023.

Board Member and Ms. Hurlbert discussed the following: date the Type A sales tax expires for the Arena and Seawall; remaining fund balance will continue to be used for the Arena and Seawall; the expiration date for the naming rights for the Arena.

**F. EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS: None**

**G. AGENDA ITEMS:**

3. [23-0283](#) Motion authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of additional Seawall Funds in the amount of \$3,500,000.00 from the unreserved fund balance in the Seawall Fund for the Water Garden Fountain restoration and authorizing the transfer from the Seawall Fund to the Seawall Capital Improvement Fund.

President Olivarri referred to Item 3. Director of Engineering Services Jeffrey Edmonds said the purpose of this item is to authorize the appropriation and expenditures of additional Seawall Funds in the amount of \$3,500,000 for the Water Gardens Fountain restoration.

Board Members, Mr. Edmonds and City Manager Peter Zanoni discussed the following topics: whether \$3,500,000 will be enough to complete the restoration project; if the city can sustain the maintenance of the water garden once completed; life expectancy of the new fountain; electrical system will be moved above ground; convention hotel could be integrated into the plan within the same area of the water gardens; if there are contingencies built in the budget; and the amount of the original estimate.

Mr. Valls made a motion to approve item 3, seconded by Mr. Wilson, and passed unanimously.

**I. PRESENTATION ITEMS:**

4. [23-0604](#) Engineering Services Quarterly Report

President Olivarri referred to Item 4. Director of Engineering Services Jeffrey Edmonds presented the Engineering Services quarterly updates.

Mr. Edmonds presented an update on the following projects: Salt Flats Levee Improvements; Art Museum Repairs and Improvements; Art Center Repairs and Improvements; Restoration of the Water Gardens; Marina Piers ABCD&L Replacement and Dredging; Marina-Peoples Boardwalk; Marina-Boat Haul-Out Facility; Marina-Coopers Boat Facility; Flood Wall Upgrades at Science Museum and Harbor Point East Connectivity Project.

Board Members, Mr. Edmonds, Assistant Director of Construction Management Brett Van Hazel and City Manager Peter Zanoni discussed the following topics: addressing the rusted areas in the Harbor Point connectivity area; and whether Type A funds were used for the Mudd Bridge.

**J. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENTS:**

President Olivarri referred to the Executive Director comments. City Manager Peter Zanoni stated the Water Gardens item will be on the upcoming City Council agenda.

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, President Olivarri adjourned the meeting at 2:49p.m.

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