

# MIDLAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

## MINUTES

September 11, 2023

The Board of Directors of the Midland Development Corporation convened in regular session at the Midland Chamber of Commerce board room, 303 West Wall Street, Suite 200, Midland, Texas, at 10:00 a.m. on September 11, 2023.

Board Members present: Chairman Chase Gardaphe, Director Berry Simpson, Director Lourcey Sams, Director Jill Pennington, Director, Director Brad Bullock, Director Zachary Deck, and Director Lucy Sisniega

Board Members absent: None

Staff Members present: City Manager Tommy Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager Tina Jauz, Assistant City Manager Jose Ortiz, Assistant City Attorney Nicholas Toulet-Crump, and Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes

Council Member(s) present: Mayor Lori Blong

MDC Staff Members present: Executive Director Sara Harris

1. Call meeting to order.

First Vice Chair Simpson called the meeting to order at 10:00 am

2. Motion approving the minutes of the August 07, 2023, meeting of the Midland Development Corporation.

Director Simpson moved to approve minutes of the August 07, 2023, meeting of the Midland Development Corporation, seconded by Director Bullock. The motion carried by the following vote: AYE: Gardaphe, Sisniega, Pennington, Sams, and Deck. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

3. Motion approving the minutes of the August 17, 2023, meeting of the Midland Development Corporation.

Director Pennington moved to approve minutes of the August 17, 2023, meeting of the Midland Development Corporation, seconded by Director Deck. The motion carried by the following vote: AYE: Gardaphe, Bullock, Simpson, Sisniega, and Sams. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None.

4. Discuss and consider the submitted proposals for the preparation of a master plan for downtown Midland, Texas.

Chairman and directors discussed the submitted proposals for the preparation of the master plan for downtown Midland, Texas.

5. Presentation on the July 2023 monthly expenses and economic development activity report from the Midland Development Corporation Executive Director.

Sara Harris gave an overview of the month's expenses, and economic development activity.

**Board recessed into executive session at 10:29 a.m.**

6. Pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.101, the Board of Directors will hold an Executive Session, which is closed to the public to discuss the following matters as permitted under the following Texas Government Code Sections:
  - a. Section 551.087 Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations
    - i. Discuss business prospects that the Midland Development Corporation seeks to have, locate, stay, or expand in or near the City of Midland, Texas, and discuss possible incentives, and discuss contract compliance on the part of businesses.

**Board reconvened into open session at 11:15 a.m.**

All the business at hand having been completed, Chairman Gardaphe adjourned the meeting at 11:15a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Vanessa Magallanes, Deputy City Secretary

PASSED AND APPROVED the 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of October 2023.

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Jill Pennington, Secretary