

MIDLAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MINUTES

June 03, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Midland Development Corporation convened in special session at the Midland Chamber of Commerce board room, 303 West Wall Street, Suite 200, Midland, Texas, at 10:00 a.m. on June 03, 2024.

Board Members present: Chairman Lourcey Sams, Director Brad Bullock, Director Jill Pennington, Director Elvie Brown, Director Berry Simpson, and Director Zachary Deck.

Board Members absent: Director Chase Gardaphe

Staff Members present: City Manager Tommy Gozalez, Assistant City Manager Jose Ortiz, Chief of Staff Taylor Novack, Assistant City Attorney Nicholas Toulet-Crump, and Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes

Council Member(s) present: Council Member Amy Stretcher Burkes

MDC Staff Members present: Executive Director Sara Harris & Marketing & Administrative Coordinator Gabrielle Franks

1. Call meeting to order.

Chairman Sams called the meeting to order at 10:05 am

2. Motion approving the minutes of the May 06, 2024, meeting of the Midland Development Corporation.

Director Bullock moved to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2024, meeting of the Midland Development Corporation, seconded by Director Simpson. The motion carried by the following vote: AYE: Sams, Pennington, Deck, and Brown. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Gardaphe.

3. Presentation from Bhupen Agrawal on the Honolulu Building located at 200 West Illinois Avenue, Midland, Texas.

Bhupen Agrawal, owner of the Honolulu Building gave a presentation about the building.

4. Presentation from Midland College on the Midland College Transportation Training Program.

Robert Heinisch, Director of Transportation at Midland College gave a presentation about the Transportation Training Program and its impact on Midland's workforce.

5. Motion canceling the August 5 regular meeting of the Midland Development Corporation Board of Directors; and establishing the date of August 12, 2024, for a special meeting of the Midland Development Corporation Board of Directors.

Director Pennington moved to approve the motion canceling the August 5 regular meeting of the Midland Development Corporation Board of Directors; and establishing the date of August 12, 2024, for a special meeting of the Midland Development Corporation Board of Directors., seconded by Director Bullock. The motion carried by the following vote: AYE: Deck, Simpson, Sams, and Brown. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Gardaphe.

6. Resolution authorizing the execution of a promotional agreement with Young Men's Christian Association of Midland Texas to advertise and publicize the City of Midland for the purpose of developing new and expanded business enterprises.

Director Pennington moved to approve Resolution ED-463 authorizing the execution of a promotional agreement with Young Men's Christian Association of Midland Texas to advertise and publicize the City of Midland for the purpose of developing new and expanded business enterprises., seconded by Director Bullock. The motion carried by the following vote: AYE: Sams, Deck, Simpson, and Brown. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Gardaphe.

7. Resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with Space Force Association Inc. to advertise and publicize the City of Midland for the purpose of developing new and expanded business enterprises.

Director Pennington moved to approve Resolution ED-464 authorizing the execution of an agreement with Space Force Association Inc. to advertise and publicize the City of Midland for the purpose of developing new and expanded business enterprises., seconded by Director Deck. The motion carried by the following vote: AYE: Sams, Gardaphe, Bullock, Simpson, Sams, and Brown. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Gardaphe.

8. Resolution authorizing the execution of a master research and development agreement with The MITRE Corporation; said agreement to provide for research and development, systems engineering, and related advisory services necessary for the furtherance of commercial space and high-speed flight operations in the Permian Basin.

Director Deck moved to approve Resolution ED-465 authorizing the execution of a master research and development agreement with The MITRE Corporation; said agreement to provide for research and development, systems engineering, and related advisory services necessary for the furtherance of commercial space and high-speed flight operations in the Permian Basin., seconded by Director Simpson. The motion carried by the following vote: AYE: Sams, Bullock, Pennington, and Brown. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Gardaphe.

9. Presentation on the May 2024 monthly expenses and economic development activity report from the Midland Development Corporation Executive Director and staff.

Sara Harris gave an overview of the month's expenses, and economic development activity. Gabrielle Franks updated the board with the social media stats.

**Board recessed into executive session at 11:05 a.m.**

10. 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 551.071, Consultation With Attorney
  - i. Discuss pending litigation.
- b. Section 551.072, Deliberation Regarding Real Property
  - i. Discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
- c. 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 12:25 p.m.**

All the business at hand having been completed, Chairman Sams adjourned the meeting at 12:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Vanessa Magallanes, Chief Deputy City Secretary

PASSED AND APPROVED the 1<sup>st</sup> Day of July 2024.

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Jill Pennington, Secretary