

City of Coppell, Texas

255 Parkway Boulevard Coppell, Texas 75019-9478

Minutes Economic Development Committee

Wednesday, February 4, 2015

6:00 PM

255 Parkway Blvd.

Notice is hereby given that the Economic Development Committee of the City of Coppell, Texas, will meet in the 2nd Floor Conference Room at 255 E. Parkway Boulevard.

As authorized by Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda item listed herein.

The purpose of this meeting is to consider the following items:

Regular Session (Open to the Public)

1. Call To Order

Chairperson Rohloff called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m.

Present: Bill Rohloff, Chairperson, Don Carroll, Vice Chairperson, Kamruddin Shams, Sue Bird, Monica Diamond, Maggie Lucas, David Heartquist, Aaron Straach, Jeff Varnell, Gayle Westapher, Kim Kelley (alternate).

Absent: Vincent Hsieh

Also present were Economic Development Coordinator Mindi Hurley and Recording Secretary Ashley Owens.

2. Approval of Minutes from January 7, 2015

A motion was made by Maggie Lucas, seconded by Don Carroll, that the Minutes of February 4, 2015, be approved. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Aye: 9- Bill Rohloff, Chairperson, Don Carroll, Vice Chairperson, Kamruddin Shams, Sue Bird, Monica Diamond, Maggie Lucas, David Heartquist, Aaron Straach, and Jeff Varnell.

3. Executive Session (Closed to the Public)

Section 551.087, Texas Government Code - Economic Development Negotiations

A. A. Economic Development Prospects south of Southwestern Blvd.

and east of Freeport Pkwy.

SECRETARY'S NOTE: Executive Session was moved to the end of the agenda.

Chairperson Rohloff convened into Executive Session at 7:36 p.m. as under the above-stated article. Item 1 (above) was discussed. Chairperson Rohloff adjourned the Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. and re-opened the Regular Session.

Regular Session (Open to the Public)

4. Review Economic Development Reports

The Economic Development Report has not changed and is ready to be presented to City Council. Vice Chairperson Don Carroll recommended adding reference points from last year in the Business Attraction section for comparative purposes. Mindi will be adding a Lease Expiration Report for next year's report.

Mindi would like to develop a quarterly Economic Development report to present to City Council. The report would be a one page "snapshot".

5. Discuss Landscaping Incentives

Mindi discussed developing an incentive for xeriscape landscaping for non-residential business owners. The committee needs to decide how much of an incentive to offer.

6. General discussion and update on commercial and industrial projects

The Chair/Vice Chair breakfast was discussed. Chairperson Rohloff and Vice Chairperson Carroll spoke favorably of the breakfast and the presentation that was given by Mayor Hunt.

Mindi distributed the State of the City handout.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Economic Development Committee, Chairman Rohloff adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Chairman William Rohloff	
Recording Secretary	