City of Coppell, Texas



Minutes

Economic Development Foundation

Monday, December 21, 2020	4:30 PM		ZOOM Meeting
JAVIER CABREJOS	KAM SHAMS	AARON KENNARD	
JEFF ROLLER	AARON STRAACH		

PRESENT: Javier Cabrejos, Kam Shams, Aaron Kennard, Jeff Roller, and Aaron Straach

Also present were Mindi Hurley, Director of Community Development; Julian Coleman, Audio Video Technician; and Kami McGee, Board Secretary.

As authorized by Section 418.016(e) of the Texas Government Code, on March 16, 2020, Governor Greg Abbott suspended various provisions that require government officials and members of the public to be physically present at a specified meeting location.

Notice was given that the Economic Development Foundation met on Monday, December 21, 2020 at 4:30 p.m., via Zoom Meeting.

As authorized by Section 551.127, of the Texas Government Code, one or more Foundation members or employees may attend this meeting remotely using videoconferencing technology.

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 following requirements have been suspended by the governor:

1. A quorum of the Council/Board/Commission need not be present at one physical location. Id. § 551.127(b).

2. In light of (1), above, the meeting notice need not specify where the quorum of the Council/Board/Commission will be physically present and the intent to have a quorum present. Id. § 551.127(e).

3. In light of (1) above, the meeting held by video conference call is not required to be open to the public at a location where council is present. Id. § 551.127(f).

4. The audio and video are not required to meet minimum standards established by Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) rules, the video doesn't have to be sufficient that a member of the public can observe the demeanor of the participants, the members faces don't have to be clearly visible at all times, and the meeting can continue even if a connection is lost, so long as a quorum is still present. Id. § 551.127(a-3); (h); (i).

This meeting is closed to in person attendance by the public to reduce the spread of COVID-19. A temporary suspension of the Open Meetings Act to allow telephone or video conference of public meetings has been granted by Texas Governor Greg Abbott. Letters and emails may be submitted by the citizens of the City or other party of interest to express his or her opinion concerning this agenda or other general comments to the Foundation. Comments will be read into the record during the Citizens Appearance portion of the meeting. Letters should be addressed to the City of Coppell Economic Development Department, 255 Parkway Boulevard, Coppell, TX 75019, by email to ED@coppelltx.gov, or by calling the Economic Development Department at 972-304-3677.

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

Regular Session (Open to the Public)

1. Call to Order.

	Director, Mindi Hurley called the meeting to order at 4:30p.m.
2.	Citizens' Appearance.
	Board Secretary, Kami McGee, advised that no one signed up to speak at Citizen's Appearance.
3.	Approval of Minutes: December 12, 2019.
	A motion was made by Aaron Straach, seconded by Jeff Roller, to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously, (5-0)
4.	Introductions.
	Each member of the Foundation introduced themselves.
5.	Election of Officers.

A motion was made by Jeff Roller, seconded by Kam Shams, to nominate Aaron Straach as President of the Economic Development Foundation. The motion passed unanimously, (5-0)

A motion was made by Jeff Roller, seconded by Javier Cabrejos, to nominate Javier Cabrejos as Vice President of the Economic Development Foundation. The motion passed unanimously, (5-0)

A motion was made by Kam Shams, seconded by Aaron Kennard, to nominate Aaron Kennard as Secretary of the Economic Development Foundation. The motion passed unanimously, (5-0)

Discuss and consider adopting a Resolution ratifying the actions of the President and Board of Directors for the Coppell Economic Development Foundation Inc. for the year 2019.

A motion was made by Aaron Straach to approve the agenda item. The motion passed unanimously, (5-0)

7. Adjournment.

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There being no further business before the Economic Development Foundation, President, Aaron Straach, adjourned the meeting at 4:47p.m.

The City of Coppell acknowledges its responsibility to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Thus, in order to assist individuals with disabilities who require special services (i.e. sign interpretative services, alternative audio/visual devices, and amanuenses) for participation in or access to the City of Coppell sponsored public programs, services, and/or meetings, the City requests that individuals makes requests for these services seventy-two (72) hours – three (3) business days ahead of the scheduled program, service, and/or meeting. To make arrangements, contact Kori Allen, ADA Coordinator, or other designated official at (972) 462-0022, or (TDD 1-800-RELAY, TX 1-800-735-2989).

Board President, Aaron Straach

Board Secretary, Kami McGee