

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF CENTER
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
January 31, 2020**

The City of Center Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors met in a Regular Session on Friday January 31, 2020, at 12:00 pm in the Conference Room at the Center City Hall. The meeting was open to the public and notice was properly posted.

Board Members Present: John Snider, Terry Scull, and Steve Waters

Others Present: Jim Gibson, EDC Director and Chad Nehring, City Manager.

Item I. Mr. Snider called the meeting to order at 12:16.

Item II. Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting on November 22, 2019. Mr. Scull made a motion to accept the minutes as presented; Mr. Waters seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
Approve Minutes of Special Meeting on December 3, 2019. Mr. Waters made a motion to accept the minutes as presented; Mr. Scull seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Item III. Other Business, Information or Items of Interest

The Board discussed the Board vacancy; no action was taken.

The Board was presented a letter explaining the status of the 2018 Airport CIP plan and how the project requires additional funding in order to reconstruct Taxiway D and resurface the runway. Following a brief discussion of the project's history and funding status, Mr. Scull made the motion to pledge an amount not to exceed \$25,000 once the City has secured funding pledges. Mr. Waters seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

INNOVA Grant

Mr. Gibson presented the Board with follow up information on the 1255 Tenaha Street Innova grant application. After a brief discussion on the merits of the project and other factors, Mr. Waters made the motion to offer acceptance of the grant application in an amount not to exceed \$1,250. Mr. Scull seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The Board entertained a discussion on when the strategic planning workshop will be held. Tentatively, the Board recommended February 28, 2020 as the date to coordinate with the City Council.

At the November meeting, the Board requested more information about the full cost of the follow up study from CE Labs after they conducted the free flash program assessment. That information was provided back to the Board. When taking the cost into account and in light of the upcoming planning workshop, the Board instructed staff to pass on the flash assessment and that if a further strategic plan is warranted then those resources would be dedicated at that time.

Mr. Gibson then delivered information to the Board on the cost of fully documenting a 200 and 800 acre tract of land near the Center Municipal Airport. The Board also decided to pass on doing this level of work until the planning effort is completed.

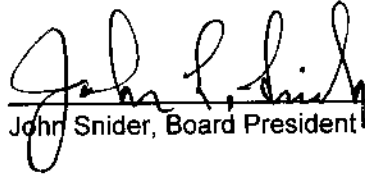
The annual contract for email marketing services expired in November 2019 and the vendor was requesting if the Board wished to continue. Mr. Gibson presented some information to the Board on the activities and results of the email campaign. The Board decided to suspend the email campaign pending the results of the planning effort.

Executive Session

The Board entered into executive session at 1:20 p.m. and returned to open session at 1:31 p.m.

The Board authorized Mr. Snider to send a formal letter to the County on the hospital property and to respond to the letter regarding the contractual breach of agreement with Ray Jones.

Item VI. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 1:32 pm.


John Snider, Board President

Attest:


David Chadwick, Secretary/Treasurer

