THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF WESLACO
AND WESLACO CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 13, 2025

On this, thirteenth (13th) day of March 2025 at 5:30 P.M., The Economic Development Corporation of Weslaco and Weslaco City Commission convened its special meeting at the Weslaco City Hall Legislative Chamber located at 255 South Kansas, Weslaco, Texas: for the purpose of discussion and taking possible action on the following items.

The following members were present:

Sandra Charlton
Jerry Gonzalez
Joe Olivarez – Arrived at 5:40 P.M.
Hector Solis
Robert Donalson

Also present were:
Steven Valdez – EDCW Executive Director
Maria Cisneros – EDCW Commercial Real Estate & Retail Recruitment Manager
Jorge Lozano – EDCW Accountant
Michelle Garcia - EDCW Community Development and Marketing Manager
Gene Vaughn – EDCW Attorney
Adrian Gonzalez – Mayor City of Weslaco
Israel Gonzalez – Mayor Pro Tem Commissioner At-Large
Adrian Farias – Commissioner District 4
JP Rodriguez – Commissioner District 3
Letty Lopez – Commissioner District 2
Josh Pedraza – Commissioner District 1
Pete Garcia Jr. - Commissioner At-Large
Martin Garza – Weslaco City Manager
Assistant City Manager
City Attorney

At 5:30 P.M., Ms. Charlton called the Special Meeting of March 13th, 2025, to order.

I. Call to Order

A. Roll Call.

A quorum was present with four Board Members present.

II. Public Comments

This portion of the meeting is not intended to be an extended discussion or a debate and is limited to 3 minutes for each presenter. Due to the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Board members do not reply; they listen.

No public comments.

III. New Business

A. Discussion and presentation on current and upcoming city projects and strategic infrastructure initiatives and funding. (Staffed by City Manager.)

Mr. Martin Garza and Mayor Gonzalez presented current and upcoming projects and infrastructure initiatives, and project costs. City of Weslaco is proposing a collaboration with the EDC to help support the critical infrastructure development.

No action.

B. Discussion and presentation on past, present, and future goals and objectives of the Weslaco Economic Development Corporation. (Staffed by EDCW Executive Director)

Mr. Steven Valdez and Ms. Sandra Charlton presented the past, present and future goals and objectives of the Weslaco EDC.

No action.

IV. Closed Session

At 6:54 P.M. Ms. Charlton announced that the EDCW Board will move into Closed Session.

At 7:36 P.M. Ms. Charlton announced that the EDCW Board will move out of Closed Session and into Open Session.

V. Action on Closed Session

A. Deliberation and Possible Action regarding economic development matters (as permitted under Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.072), including, but not limited to the following:

a. Project Sweet Onion – Discussion and Status.

No action.

b. Project Blue Diamond – Discussion and Status.

No action.

c. Project Ground Pounder – Discussion and Status.

No action.

d. Project Chill Factor - Discussion and Status.

No action.

e. Project 5 Guys - Discussion and Status.

No action.

f. Project Obed - Discussion and Status.

No action.

B. Deliberation and Possible Action regarding real property matters (as permitted under Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.072), including, but not limited to the following:

No action.

C. Deliberation & Possible Action regarding EDCW employment matters. (as permitted under Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.074 and 551.071).

No action.

D. Consultation with Attorney (as permitted under Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.071).

No action.

VI. Adjournment

With no other business before the Board, at 7:36 P.M. the EDCW Special Joined Meeting of March 13, 2025, was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted;

Maria Cisneros - Recorder

The minutes were approved at the Regular Board Meeting of April 16th, 2025.

Kris Garcia – Secretary