THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF WESLACO
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
MAY 13, 2026

On this, the thirteenth (13th) day of May 2026 at 5:00 P.M., the Economic Development Corporation of Weslaco convened its regular meeting at The Business Visitor & Event Center Room A & B located at 275 South Kansas Ave., Weslaco, Texas, for discussion and taking possible action on the following items.

The following members were present:
Sandra Charlton
Kris Garcia – Arrived at 5:01 P.M.
Hector Solis – Arrived at 5:02 P.M.
Jerry Gonzalez
Joe Olivarez – Arrived at 5:05 P.M.
Robert Donalson

Also present were:
Steven Valdez – EDCW Executive Director
Jorge Lozano – EDCW Assistant Executive Director
Maria Cisneros – EDCW Commercial Real Estate & Retail Recruitment Manager
Michelle Smith – EDCW Community Development and Marketing Manager
Silvana Villarreal – EDCW Administrative and Communication Coordinator
Gene Vaughn – EDCW Attorney
Jose Torres – BTI Inc. Engineer

At 5:00 P.M., Ms. Charlton called the Board Meeting to order.

A quorum formed at 5:01 P.M.

I. Call to Order

A. Roll Call.
Ms. Charlton, Mr. Gonzalez, and Mr. Donalson were present at the time of roll call.

B. Board Members' declaration of potential conflicts of interest as to any agenda items.
Mr. Donalson disclosed a conflict of interest concerning Item VI.C. under Old Business and abstained from discussion and voting.

II. Public Comments

This portion of the meeting is not intended to be an extended discussion or a debate and is limited to three (3) minutes for each presenter. Presenters may address the Board regarding any item on the agenda that will be discussed by the Board during the open portion of the meeting. Board members do not reply; they listen.
Mr. Jose Torres spoke during the public comments session and asked for the Board's support with the agenda item Project Flour 2.0.

No action.

VI. Old Business

A. Discussion and Possible Action to approve the renewal of the MVIIP Shredding Services agreement with Lawn Rangers, effective June 2026, or to authorize staff to solicit proposals for the same.

Mr. Solis made a motion to offer $100 per month for 12 months and to authorize the Executive Director to sign the agreement.
Mr. Donalson seconds the motion.

Mr. Solis votes in favor.
Mr. Donalson votes in favor.
Ms. Charlton votes in favor.
Mr. Garcia votes in favor.
Mr. Gonzalez votes in favor.
Mr. Olivarez votes in favor.

Motion passes with six votes.

B. Discussion and Possible Action regarding renewal of the Consulting Agreement between EDCW and Rigo Villarreal of ARES Consulting Services.

Mr. Solis made a motion to approve the recommendation of a 2-year contract and authorize the Executive Director to sign the agreement.
Mr. Garcia seconds the motion.

Mr. Solis votes in favor.
Mr. Garcia votes in favor.
Ms. Charlton votes in favor.
Mr. Gonzalez votes in favor.
Mr. Olivarez votes in favor.
Mr. Donalson votes in favor.

Motion passes with six votes.

C. Discussion and Possible Action regarding certificate of deposit (CD) held at Texas Regional Bank.

Mr. Donalson abstained from discussion and voting.
Ms. Charlton made a motion to approve the recommendation as presented.
Mr. Solis seconds the motion.

Ms. Charlton votes in favor.
Mr. Solis votes in favor.
Mr. Garcia votes in favor.
Mr. Gonzalez votes in favor.
Mr. Olivarez votes in favor.

Motion passes with five votes.

3. Project Flow – Incentive Request.
Mr. Garcia made a motion to approve the incentive request as discussed under Closed Session.
Mr. Solis seconds the motion.

Mr. Garcia votes in favor.
Mr. Solis votes in favor.
Ms. Charlton votes in favor.
Mr. Gonzalez votes in favor.
Mr. Olivarez votes in favor.
Mr. Donalson votes in favor.

Motion passes with six votes.

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

1. Executive Director.
Mr. Gonzalez made a motion to approve the agreement as discussed under Closed Session.
Mr. Solis seconds the motion.

Mr. Gonzalez votes in favor.
Mr. Solis votes in favor.
Ms. Charlton votes in favor.
Mr. Garcia votes in favor.
Mr. Olivarez votes in favor.
Mr. Donalson votes in favor.

Motion passes with six votes.

X. Adjournment

With no other business before the Board, at 7:23 P.M., the EDCW Regular Board Meeting of May 13, 2026, was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Maria Cisneros – Recorder