

# NEDERLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

## Minutes December 15, 2021

### MEETING

A meeting of the Nederland Economic Development Corporation was called to order at 4:35 p.m. at the Nederland Economic Development Corporation Office, 1519 Boston Avenue, by President Sylvia Root.

### QUORUM

Board members present: Don Albanese (arrived at 5:04 pm), Billy Doornbos, Bret Duplant, Sylvia Root and Anthony Toups.

Absent: Mitch Macon and Mike Roebuck. Others present: Jim Wimberley, NEDC Attorney; Kay DeCuir, Executive Director and Christinia Herrmann, Executive Secretary.

### INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

President Root gave the Invocation and Kay DeCuir led the Pledge

### MINUTES

**A motion was made by Billy Doornbos and seconded by Anthony Toups to approve the minutes of the of November 17, 2021 meeting with two noted corrections. Attorney Jim Wimberley advised to place corrected Minutes on January 2022 Meeting agenda for approval.**

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

The regular meeting was recessed at 4:38 p.m. by President Root for the purpose of conducting an Executive Session of the Nederland Economic Development Corporation, as authorized by the Texas Government Code Chapter 551.087 Deliberations regarding Economic Development Incentives; and /or Texas Government Code Chapter 551.071 to discuss litigation and/or legal advice.

### RECONVENE

The regular meeting was reconvened by President Root at 4:53 p.m. President Root announced no action was needed on Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.071, Litigation and/or legal advice; nor on Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.087- Deliberations regarding Economic Development Incentives;

### COMMUNICATION

Kay DeCuir shared the following with the Board;

- The December City Sales and Use Tax Comparison Summary for October. Nederland had a 9.20% decrease from last year. However, last year was the highest sales tax in Nederland's history
- Prospective Developer reached out to Kay regarding interest in submitting proposal for an Event Center at the Airport. She shared the County's required packet for proposal. There was not enough time to complete and submit to meet County Commissioners' Court deadline. If County reopens for bid submissions, Prospective Developer may have opportunity to resubmit. Only know of one other person that was interested.
- NEDC hosted the Chamber of Commerce Monthly Coffee, Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> and around 40 people were in attendance. Two door prizes were given away.
- Golf Cart Tour of Lights was held the evening of December 14<sup>th</sup> and there was one issue that was addressed at the end of the event with the individual, who was stopping along the route picking

up children to ride on cart. For future Golf Cart Events we will request two to three officers assist with traffic control and safety.

- Anthony Toups suggested giving cash prizes and obtaining Corporate Sponsor for event
- NEDC office will be closed Wednesday – Friday the weeks of Christmas and New Year.
- Encouraged Board to read the State of Texas Article along with a few other items of interest enclosed in packet
- Next meeting will be January 19, 2022

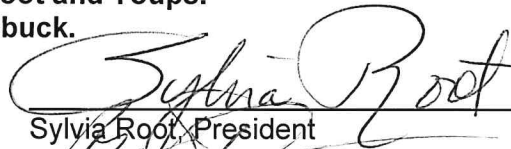
**ADJOURN**


There being no further business, Bret Duplant made a motion and Don Albanese seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:14 pm.

**Motion Carried**

**Ayes: Albanese, Doornbos, Duplant, Root and Toups.**

**Noes: None. Absent: Macon and Roebuck.**

  
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Sylvia Root, President

  
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Bret Duplant, Vice-President