# NEDERLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

# Minutes February 16, 2022

## MEETING

A meeting of the Nederland Economic Development Corporation was called to order at 4:30 p.m. at the Nederland Economic Development Corporation Office, 1519 Boston Avenue, by President Sylvia Root.

# **QUORUM**

Board members present: Don Albanese, Billy Doornbos, Bret Duplant, Mitch Macon, Mike Roebuck, Sylvia Root and Anthony Toups.

Absent: None. Others present: 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 Don Albanese to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2022 meeting with correction adding Anthony Toups seconding the motion regarding the Arch on page two under Reconvene Section.

**Motion Carried** 

Ayes: Albanese, Doornbos, Duplant, Macon, Roebuck, Root and Toups.

Noes: None. Absent: None

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The regular meeting was recessed at 4:35 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; Texas Government Code Chapter 551.071 to discuss litigation and/or legal advice

#### RECONVENE

The regular meeting was reconvened by President Root at 5:15 p.m. President Root announced no action was needed on Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.087- Deliberations regarding Economic Development Incentives; nor on Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.071, Litigation and/or legal advice.

## **PRIDE**

An application was received from a business, All In A Jiffy dba Jiffy Trophies, for a project consisting of signage and pressure wash, prime and painting building at 210 South Twin City Hwy in Nederland, TX. They are requesting five thousand eight hundred fifty-seven dollars and .66/100 (\$5,857.66) on a project totaling eleven thousand seven hundred fifteen dollars and .31/100 (\$11,715.31).

A motion was made by Mitch Macon and seconded by Bret Duplant to approve the PRIDE Program application for All In A Jiffy dba Jiffy Trophies in an amount not to exceed five thousand eight hundred fifty-seven dollars and .66/100 (\$5,857.66).

Motion carried.

Ayes: Albanese, Doornbos, Duplant, Macon, Roebuck, Root and Toups.

Noes: None. Absent: None

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An application was received from a business, Beauty Basics, for a project consisting of signage at 1203 Nederland Avenue in Nederland, TX. They are requesting five thousand one hundred fifty-two dollars and .70/100 (\$5,152.70) on a project totaling ten thousand three hundred five dollars and .40/100 (\$10,305.40).

A motion was made by Billy Doornbos and seconded by Don Albanese to approve the PRIDE Program application for Beauty Basics in an amount not to exceed five thousand one hundred fifty-two dollars and .70/100 (\$5,152.70).

Motion carried.

Ayes: Albanese, Doornbos, Duplant, Macon, Roebuck, Root and Toups.

Noes: None. Absent: None

An application was received from a business, Southeast Texas Parts and Auto Equipment for a project consisting of signage at 1804 Nederland Avenue in Nederland, TX. They are requesting three thousand one hundred twenty-seven dollars and no /100 (\$3,127.00) on a project totaling six thousand two hundred fifty-five dollars and no/100 (\$6,255.00)

A motion was made by Anthony Toups and seconded by Mike Roebuck to approve the PRIDE Program application for Southeast Texas Parts and Auto Equipment in an amount not to exceed three thousand one hundred twenty-seven dollars and no/100 (\$3,127.00). Motion carried.

Ayes: Albanese, Doornbos, Duplant, Macon, Roebuck, Root and Toups.

Noes: None. Absent: None

## **FINANCIALS**

Kay DeCuir shared

- January Financial Reports
  - o All Revenue received was \$115,499.76
  - Sales Tax increased (\$110,067.03) with nine months remaining in Fiscal Year, we should exceed our budgeted goal.
  - Reviewed Special Programs pay outs on PRIDE Programs
  - o Interest received is low

## COMMUNICATION

Kay DeCuir shared the following with the Board;

- She was contacted by Jerry Diaz regarding 2022 Concerts. We will have two in September and two in October. Jerry will meet with Kay once he is back in town. Kay requested Mitch Macon give an update on his conversation with Heritage Festival regarding possible use of their stage for future Concert Series.
  - Mitch advised that we would not be able to use Heritage Festival Stage and they use it for storage when not in use for Festival and it's not an easy task to open and close on a weekly basis. Once it's opened for Festival, it remains open the entire festival.
  - Mike Roebuck was concerned with the use of flatbed trailer for stage and mentioned possibly building one out of scaffolding and leave up. Trailer was a 16ft x 8ft
  - Anthony Toups suggested possibly leasing a stage from AGS and checking with Joe Pendland about building a stage for NEDC
  - Board requested NEDC obtain bids to purchase and/or lease a stage

# **COMMUNICATION CONT'D**

 A request was received from Shannon Hemby of the Nederland Heritage Festival to use the Bank Parking Lot (1311 Boston Avenue) on March 19, 2022 from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm for the annual Car Show.

A motion was made by Bret Duplant and seconded by Mike Roebuck to allow the Nederland Heritage Festival use of the Bank Parking Lot (1311 Boston Avenue) for the annual Car Show on March 19, 2022 from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm. Motion carried.

Ayes: Albanese, Doornbos, Duplant, Macon, Roebuck, Root and Toups.

Noes: None. Absent: None

• A request was received from Charlee Hollyfield of 409 Market to use the parking lot between the Bank of America building and The Golden Cup for a monthly Popup Vendor Market. She plans to have fifty 10 x 10 spaces. Kay reviewed the list of rules and questions presented to Ms. Hollyfield and responses received. Popup Market would not be allowed during the month of October due to the NEDC's annual Market Day. Anthony Toups suggested trying it in April to see how it goes and then the Board could make a decision on an annual agreement. A per month lease fee of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) was suggested.

A motion was made by Anthony Toups and seconded by Don Albanese to lease the parking lot between the Bank of America building and The Golden Cup to Charlee Hollyfield of 409 Market for the month of April 2022 with a lease rate of two hundred fifty dollars and no/100 (\$250.00) and if it goes well, the Board will consider approving a contract for 90 days or one year.

Motion carried.

Ayes: Albanese, Doornbos, Duplant, Macon, Roebuck, Root and Toups.

Noes: None. Absent: None

 Nederland Heritage Festival dates are March 15<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> and NEDC Board meeting will be moved up a week to March 9<sup>th</sup>. We will have 2 parking passes that may be shared with Board Members.

#### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, President Root made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 pm.

**Motion Carried** 

Ayes: Albanese, Doornbos, Duplant, Macon, Roebuck, Root and Toups.

Noes: None. Absent: None.

ylvia Root, President

Mitch Macon, Secretary / Treasurer