# NEDERLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

# Minutes October 26,2022

## MEETING

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

#### QUORUM

Board members present: Don Albanese, Billy Doornbos, Bret Duplant, Mike Roebuck, Anthony Toups, Sylvia Root (by phone)

Absent: Mitch Macon, Attorney Jim Wimberley. Others present: Kay DeCuir, Executive Director.

### **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

Kay DeCuir gave the Invocation and led the Pledge

#### **MINUTES**

A motion was made by Billy Doornbos and seconded by Don Albanese to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2022 meeting.

**Motion Carried** 

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

Noes: None. Absent: Macon

A presentation was made by Mr. John Hughes in Open Session on a suggested Boston Avenue project for the former bank drive thru parking lot. No action was taken.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The regular meeting was recessed at 5:05 p.m. by President Duplant 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; and Texas Government Code Chapter 551.072 to discuss acquisition, exchange and/or release of property.

## **RECONVENE**

The regular meeting was reconvened by President Duplant at 5:30 p.m. President Duplant announced no action was needed on Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.071-Litigation and/or Legal Advice; Texas Government Code Chapter 551.087 Deliberations regarding Economic Development Opportunities and Incentives, nor Texas Government Code Chapter 551.072 to Discuss potential acquisition, exchange and/or release of property.

# COMMUNICATION

Kay DeCuir shared the following with the Board;

- Commercials with KBMT 12 are complete for Shop Local Shop Often Shop Nederland for the fall events. A new commercial will be filmed in the next week for the holiday events.
- Market Day was a huge success and it was well worth the money to have NPD at the
  beginning and end of the market to help with traffic. Most businesses shared they gained
  a 30% or higher profit over the 2021 market. They shared market day is their second
  busiest day of the year behind Black Friday. They hope we continue to have the market
  each year.
- The concerts are over for 2022 and each had a minimum of 150 with up to approx. 240 in attendance. Kay thanked the sponsors again and shared that the sponsorships this year

allowed the NEDC to break even on this event. She thanked NEDC Board Members; Anthony Toups with Classic Acura, Billy Wayne Doornbos with the Doornbos Family, and Mike Roebuck with Echo Group for their sponsorships. It was also great to have NPD on site at each concert.

- Kay explained that people are enjoying the First NEDC Scavenger Hunt which ends on Friday, October 28 and winners will be chosen on Monday, October 31, 2022.
- Upcoming events are the Golf Cart Tour of Lights which will be held on a Saturday this year. The date will be December 10, 2022. Anthony Toups suggested cash amounts starting at \$100.00 for first place, \$50.00 for second place and \$25.00 for third place. Cash will be awarded in lieu of trophies this year.
- Light Up Nederland for the Nederland businesses will begin on December 1.
- There will be at least 3 PRIDE Applications presented at the November NEDC Meeting.
- Candy was purchased by NEDC to provide for the Nederland Chamber Trunk or Treat.

#### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Anthony Toups and seconded by Billy Doornbos to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 pm.

Motion Carried

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

Noes: none Absent: Macon.

Bret Duplant, President

Billy Wayne Doornbos, Vice-President