# LA FERIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS SPECIAL MEETING **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2013**

Be it known that the Board of Directors of the La Feria Economic Development Corporation (LFEDC) met in special session on Tuesday, February 26, 2013, at 6:00 PM in the City Commission Meeting Room, 115 East Commercial Avenue, La Feria, Texas, 78559. The purpose of said meeting was to consider and take action on such Corporation business as was duly posted by agenda in accordance with State Open Meetings Law. The following Board Members were present at said meeting.

> Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap President Ms. Mary Garcia Vice-President Mr. Ignacio A Garcia Galvez Director

Ms. Angelica P. Baldivia Director Ms. Lori Weaver Director

Mr. Victor Gonzalez, Jr. Director - Late: 6:04 pm

Secretary/Treasurer

The following City Staff members were present at said meeting.

Mr. John Hernandez

Absent:

Mr. Sunny K. Philip City Manager/Executive Director Mr. Richard S. Talbert LFEDC Attorney

Ms. Irene Szedlmayer Planning & Community Dev. Dir.

Ms. Maria Chavero Finance Director

Ms. Paula Rodriguez Capital Projects Coordinator

Ms. Olga Oberwetter City Secretary

The only other person present at this meeting was Mary Beth Wright.

At 6:01 P.M., La Feria Economic Development Corporation President Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap thanked everyone for coming and asked all present to rise and recite aloud the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. She then declared a quorum of the La Feria Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors was present and called the meeting to order.

# FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTHS OF SEPTEMBER 2012 THROUGH **JANUARY 2013**

Finance Director Ms. Maria Chavero reviewed the financial reports for the month of September 2012 and January 2013 with the board, reviewing both the monthly and yearto-date figures on both. She reviewed September since it was the last month of the previous fiscal year, and January 2013 since the year-to-date figures were inclusive of the

months in between. She then reviewed the Analysis of Current EDC Sales Tax Collection and the Comptroller of Public Accounts reports for all months. After review of the reports, Board President Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap announced that the reports would be filed for audit.

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW CHAPTER 551, GOVERNMENT CODE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN SECTION 551.072 TO DISCUSS PROPOSED PURCHASE/SALE/DONATION OF REAL ESTATE BY THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION/CITY OF LA FERIA; AND SECTION 551.087 TO DISCUSS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS

Board President Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap declared the meeting in executive (closed) session at 6:08 P.M. After executive session, Board President Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap declared the meeting back in open session at 6:27 P.M.

# CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY AS THE RESULT OF THE EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION DELIBERATIONS

There was no action needed on this item as a result of executive session deliberations.

### REPORTS BY STAFF

- Indoor Recreation Facility Construction Progress
- Proposed Northwest Park, Unger Park, and A.J. Wilson Baseball Field Lighting Improvements
- Proposed Wellness Center and parking improvements

City Manager/Executive Director Sunny K. Philip reported on the following.

- The Indoor Recreation Facility-the city has conducted an inspection of the facility and some items need to be corrected, including pavers in the parking lot area. The City will be advertising for a Recreation Services Manager soon.
- The Northwest Park located at 4<sup>th</sup> and West Street because of other work being done, the architect has not been able to complete the plans.
- Unger Park the City has received the grant for \$100,000 from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and the City will be contributing an additional amount. An official from Parks and Wildlife Department will be here to visit the site on March 26, 2013. There were only a total of six to eight projects funded.
- A. J. Wilson Baseball Field The City Commission has awarded a contract to purchase the lights to Musco Lighting.
- The Wellness Center and parking improvements The dome facility is a 15,000 sq. ft. building next to the Indoor Recreation Facility. Although the City had previously submitted an application for the Wellness Center through USDA, the City received a grant for the dome shelter which could be used as the Wellness Center.

#### **ACTION FOR ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to conduct, Ms. Lori Weaver moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Angelica P. Baldivia seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

<u>ADJOURNMENT – PRESIDENT</u>
La Feria Economic Development Corporation President Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap adjourned the meeting at 6:34 PM.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

John Hernandez, Secretary/Treasurer

These minutes were prepared and filed with the City of La Feria as official record of the City of La Feria and the La Feria Economic Development Corporation at 12:15 P.M. on March 25, 2013 as official record.

Olga Oberwetter, City Secretary

