MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS REGULAR MEETING LA FERIA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (LFIDC) THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2013

Be it known that the Board of Directors of the La Feria Industrial Development Corporation (LFIDC) met in regular session on Thursday, March 7, 2013, at 6:30 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 business as was duly posted by agenda in accordance with State Open Meetings Law. The following Board Members were present at said meeting:

Mr. Brad Shields

President

Mr. Ignacio A. Garcia Galvez

Board Member

Mr. Steven Salinas

Board Member

Absent:

Mr. Steve Brewer

Mayor/Ex-Officio Board Member

Staff present: Mr. Sunny K. Philip

City Manager/Executive Director

Mr. Richard S. Talbert Ms. Maria Chavero

LFIDC Attorney
Finance Director

Ms. Irene Szedlmayer

Planning and Comm. Dev. Director

Ms. Olga Oberwetter

City Secretary

There were no other persons present at this meeting.

At 6:39 P.M., Board President Mr. Brad Shields led everyone present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. He then declared that a quorum of the LFIDC Board was present and called the meeting to order.

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE PREVIOUS REGULAR AND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LA FERIA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (LFIDC) HELD ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 2013

After review of the minutes, Mr. Ignacio A. Garcia Galvez moved to approve the minutes of proceedings of the previous regular meeting of the La Feria Industrial Development Corporation (LFIDC) held on Thursday, January 3, 2013. Mr. Steven Salinas seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the LFIDC board members present.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2012, JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2013

Finance Director Ms. Maria Chavero reviewed the financial reports for the months of December 2012, January and February 2013. She reviewed the budget versus actual figures for each month reviewing the monthly figures for December and both the month and the year-to-date figures for January and February. Ms. Chavero reported that during the month of January 2013, the LFIDC consolidated four loans, which was shown on the

report as debt retirement. Ms. Chavero also reviewed the Analysis of Current IDC Sales Tax Collection Report, which reflected an average of \$22,881 per month. She then reviewed the Sales and Use Tax Comparison Summary, which reflected an increase of 9.66% year-to-date over last year. After review, Board President Mr. Brad Shields announced that the reports would be filed for audit.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO CONFIRM THE AGREEMENT TO COMMISSION BRETT OBERTHALER TO PAINT A MURAL ON THE NORTH WALL OF THE CHAPARRAL BUILDING TO DEPICT THE LANDMARK OF MOUNT RUSHMORE AND SPACE ROCKET

City Manager/Executive Director Sunny K. Philip explained that many communities are painting murals in their downtown areas. He explained the two proposed topics for the mural to be painted on the north wall of the Chaparral Building, one being Mount Rushmore which is a landmark in South Dakota with faces of four US presidents sculpted into the mountain, i.e., George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt and Abraham Lincoln, and the other being that of a space rocket to depict the US involvement in the space program. Mr. Philip said Mr. Oberthaler was a very talented artist and the price for the mural was \$1,250.00. Mr. Philip added that this is a very good way to attract some attention to the downtown area in La Feria. After discussion and all questions answered, Mr. Steven Salinas moved to confirm the agreement to commission Brett Oberthaler to paint a mural on the north wall of the Chaparral Building to depict the landmark of Mount Rushmore and Space Rocket. Mr. Ignacio A. Garcia Galvez seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the LFIDC Board members present.

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN MEETING LAWS, CHAPTER 551, GOVERNMENT CODE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN SECTION 551.072 TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION/SALE/LEASE OF REAL ESTATE BY THE LA FERIA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND SECTION 551.087 TO DISCUSS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS

Board President Mr. Brad Shields declared the meeting in executive session at 6:55 P.M. After executive session deliberation, Mr. Shields declared the meeting back in open session at 7:35 P.M.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION DELIBERATIONS

There was no action needed as a result of executive session deliberation.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE OR DENY AUTHORIZING THE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WAREHOUSE FACILITY LOCATED ON WEST FIRST STREET AS REQUESTED BY THE CITY

City Manager/Executive Director Sunny K. Philip recommended the improvements to the warehouse facility located on West First Street as requested by the City. The City proposes to use the facility as a Public Works Office. The improvements are estimated to

cost \$90,000. The City would continue to make payments to the LFIDC of \$5,000 a month. Mr. Ignacio A. Garcia Galvez moved to authorize the improvements to the warehouse facility located on West First Street as requested by the City. Mr. Steven Salinas seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the LFIDC Board members present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Board President Mr. Brad Shields declared the public comment session open. No one signed up to speak before the board, so Mr. Shields declared the public comment session closed.

ACTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, Mr. Steven Salinas moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Ignacio A. Garcia Galvez seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the LFIDC board members present.

ADJOURNMENT

Board President Mr. Brad Shields adjourned the meeting at 7:37 P.M.

APPROVED:

Brad Shields, President

ATTEST:

Sunny K. Philip

City Manager/Executive Director

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 Industrial Development Corporation at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, April 2, 2013.

Sunny K. Philip

City Manager/Executive Director