## BASTROP ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (BEDC) BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## Minutes of Monthly Meeting, November 21, 2022 Bastrop City Hall, 1311 Chestnut Street, Bastrop, Texas

The Bastrop Economic Development Corporation (BEDC) met on Monday, November 21, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. for a Regular Board Meeting at Bastrop City Hall, 1311 Chestnut Street. Board members present: Ron Spencer, Jenn Wahl, Richard Smarzik, Charles Washington, and Connie Schroeder. Board members Jeff Haladyna and Lyle Nelson were absent. Staff members present: Bret Gardella, Ashley Allnutt, Angela Ryan and Jean Riemenschneider. BEDC attorney Charles Zech was also in attendance.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER Board Chair Spencer called the special meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT(S) There were no public comments.

## 3. REGULAR BUSINESS & PRESENTATIONS

- 3.1. Approval of meeting minutes from the BEDC Board Meeting of October 17, 2022. Mr. Smarzik made the motion to approve the minutes as submitted; Ms. Wahl seconded, and the motion passed.
- 3.2. Receive financial report provided by City of Bastrop's Chief Financial Officer for the period ending October 2022 and treasurer's comments. Board Treasurer Smarzik reported he had reviewed the financial reports and he didn't see any issues.
- 3.3. Presentation and possible action on a donation of funds to the BEDC from Roscoe State Bank from their merger with Cornerstone Home Lending. Ms. Schroeder made the motion to officially accept the \$100,000 over a five-year period. Mr. Smarzik seconded, and the motion passed.
- 3.4. Presentation and update about workforce education and training from BEDC partners: Bastrop Independent School District, Community Action and Austin Community College. Ms. Riemenschneider introduced Montie May with Community Action and Amanda Brantley with BISD. They each gave an update about the workforce education programs that they provide to the Bastrop community. The many programs offered by these entities include accounting classes, skilled trade courses, and EMT certifications.
- 3.5. Discussion and possible action on the funding of the 20% match on the grant for the Downtown Trail Project. Mr. Smarzik made the motion to approve the matching funds, Mr. Spencer seconded, and the motion passed.
- 3.6. Consideration, discussion, and possible action to approve Resolution R-2022-0010 authorizing the negotiation and execution of a new lease for the BEDC office located at 301 Hwy 71 W. Suite 214. There was no action taken on this item.
- 3.7. Update, discussion and possible action regarding Bastrop Business and Industrial Park infrastructure projects: replating the undeveloped portions of the Business Park and providing the City of Bastrop with a preliminary plat; submitting a warrant to change the cross section identified in the zoning scheme of Jackson Street to 38 feet of pavement and the unnamed street to 36 feet of pavement; and removing the requirements for sidewalks. BEDC Executive Director Gardella started the presentation by explaining that through meetings with City staff, they have been able to create a more efficient and cost-effective plan to develop the remainder of the Business Park. David Speicher with Doucet Engineering also gave an update on the changes to the plans for the project.

## 4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 4.1. At 5:48 p.m., the BEDC Board of Directors met in a closed/executive session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, to discuss the following:
  - (1) **Section 551.087** Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations Project Triple Arrow
  - (2) **Section 551.072** Deliberation regarding purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
- 4.2. At 6:33 p.m., the BEDC Board of Directors reconvened into open session to discuss, consider, and take any action necessary related to the executive sessions noted herein. There was no action taken.
- **5. ADJOURNMENT** Mr. Smarzik made the motion to adjourn, and Ms. Schroeder seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

APPROVED

Ron Spence Board Chair

ATTEST:

Angela Ryan Operations Manager