

**THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF WESLACO**  
**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING**  
**MAY 6, 2020**

On this, sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) day of May, 2020 at 12:00 Noon, The Economic Development Corporation of Weslaco convened its regular meeting via videoconference/telephone as granted by Governor Greg Abbott, temporary suspension of the Open Meeting Act as a precaution of spread of COVID-19.

The following members were present:

Juan Jose "JJ" Serrano  
Benita Valadez  
Stephen Charlton  
Cynthia Cabaza – Joined at 12:15 P.M.  
Fred Perez  
Sonjia De La Fuente  
Patrick Gonzalez

Also present were:

Marie McDermott – EDCW Executive Director  
Steve Valdez – EDCW Executive Director  
Maria Cisneros – EDCW Commercial Real Estate & Retail Recruitment Manager  
Veronica Montemayor – EDCW Finance Manager  
Lillie Delgado – EDCW Quality of Life Manager  
Alex Benavidez – EDCW Attorney  
Eugene Vaughn – EDCW Attorney  
Rudy Salinas – EDCW CPA

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

At 12:06 Noon, Mr. Serrano called the Special Meeting of May 6, 2020 to order.

**II. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 12:07 P.M. Mr. Serrano announces that the meeting will move in to Executive Session as posted.

At 12:53 P.M. Mr. Serrano announces that the meeting will is out of Executive Session and will convene in Open Session.

**III. ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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A. Amending EDCW Current Incentives Due to the Impact of COVID 19 on Weslaco: Discussion and Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations or Offer of a Financial Or Other Incentive to a Business prospect (as permitted under Tex. Gov't Code section 551.087)

Mr. Charlton made a motion to approve authorize \$200,000 to be allocated to help local businesses with up to \$5,000 per business with the terms discussed under Executive Session.

Mrs. Valadez seconds the motion.

Mr. Charlton votes in favor.

Mrs. Valadez votes in favor.

Mr. Serrano votes in favor.

Mrs. Cabaza votes in favor.

Mr. Perez votes in favor.

Mrs. De La Fuente votes in favor.

Mr. Gonzalez votes in favor.

Motion passes.

B. Discuss the Purchase, sale or Lease of Real Property and Take Any Action Necessary or Advisable prospect (as permitted under Tex. Gov't Code section 551.072)

No action.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

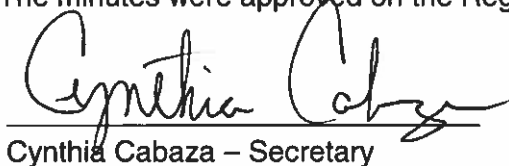
With no other business before the Board, at 12:54 PM the EDCW Board Special Meeting of May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted;



Maria Cisneros - Recorder

The minutes were approved on the Regular Board Meeting of May 20, 2020.



Cynthia Cabaza - Secretary