

THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF WESLACO  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2021

On this, fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) day of September, 2021 at 6:00 PM, The Economic Development Corporation of Weslaco convened its regular meeting at the Business Visitor & Event Center, located at 275 South Kansas Weslaco, Texas; for the purpose of discussing and taking possible action on the following items.

The following members were present:

Benita Valadez  
JJ Serrano  
Sandra Charlton  
Jerry Gonzalez

Also present were:

Steve Valdez – EDCW Executive Director  
Maria Cisneros – Commercial Real Estate & Retail Recruitment Manager  
Lillie Delgado – Digital Communications Manager  
Veronica Montemayor – Finance Manager  
Eugene Vaughn – EDCW Attorney  
Alex Benavides – EDCW Attorney

**I. Call to Order**

At 6:00 P.M. Mrs. Valadez called the meeting of September 15, 2021 to order.

**II. Public Comments**

This portion of the meeting is not intended to be an extended discussion or a debate and is limited to 3 minutes for each presenter. Due to the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Board members do not reply; they listen.

**III. Consent Agenda**

**A. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of August 18, 2021.**

Mr. Serrano made a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of August 18, 2021 with corrections to Old Business, Item G. needs to include the full motion & the correct spelling for Mr. Sam Maldonado.

Mr. Jerry Gonzalez seconds the motion.

Mr. Serrano votes in favor.

Mr. Jerry Gonzalez votes in favor.

Mrs. Valadez votes in favor.

Ms. Charlton votes in favor.

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Motion carries.

**IV. Old Business**

A. Presentation & Possible action regarding master plan for Mid Valley International Industrial Park from SAMES Engineering.

Mr. Valdez gave a brief status report to the Board about the drainage, SAMES was not ready to present a master plan with drainage options.

No action.

B. Presentation & Discussion from Rigo Villarreal.

Mr. Villarreal gave a brief status report to the Board, where he mention that the grant process is moving along as it should.

No action.

C. Discussion & Possible Action regarding amendment to the Policy for the Weslaco 100 / Façade Grant.

Ms. Charlton made a motion to approve the amendment to the Policy for the Weslaco 100 & Façade Grant.  
Mr. Jerry Gonzalez seconds the motion.

Ms. Charlton votes in favor.  
Mr. Jerry Gonzalez votes in favor.  
Mrs. Valadez votes in favor.  
Mr. Serrano votes in favor.

Motion carries.

**V. Reports**

A. Monthly Financial Report –August 2021.

Mrs. Montemayor presented the monthly financial report of August 2021.

No action.

**VI. Action On Closed Session**

Mrs. Valadez announced at 6:11 PM that the EDC Board will move into Closed Session.

At 7:29 PM Mrs. Valadez announced that the EDC Board will move into Open Session.

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**VII. Closed Session**

A. Deliberation and Possible Action regarding commercial or financial information received by the EDC of Weslaco from a business prospect with which the EDC of Weslaco is conducting economic development negotiations or with which the EDC of Weslaco seeks to have locate, stay, or expand operations in or near the City of Weslaco (as permitted under Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.087).

1. Summary of Leads Report

No action.

B. Deliberation and Possible Action regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (as permitted under Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.072), Including, but not limited to:

1. EDCW Relocation

No action.

C. Deliberation & Possible Action regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, or resignation of a public officer or employee. (as permitted under Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.074 and 551.071).

No action.

D. Consultation with Attorney and possible action regarding: (1) pending or contemplated litigation; (2) a settlement offer; or (3) a matter in which the duty of the Attorney to the EDC of Weslaco under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code (as permitted under Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.071)

1. Pending Litigation.

Mr. Serrano made a motion to authorize the Executive Director to proceed to draft a letter and sign it.

Ms. Charlton seconds the motion.

Mr. Serrano votes in favor.

Ms. Charlton votes in favor.

Mrs. Valadez votes in favor.

Mr. Jerry Gonzalez votes in favor.

Motion carries.

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**IX. Adjournment**

With no other business before the Board, at 7:29 P.M. the EDCW Board Regular Meeting of September 15, 2021 was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted;



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Maria Cisneros – Recorder

The minutes were approved on the Regular Board Meeting of October 20, 2021.



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JJ Serrano - Secretary