



December 18, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

MINUTES of Annual Meeting of the **San Benito Economic Development Corporation** Board of Directors held on **Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at 5:30 P.M. at 701 N. Bowie St., San Benito, Cameron County, Texas 78586.**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Julian Rios, President
Rene Garcia, Vice-President
Encarnación López, Secretary/Treasurer
Mary Bolado, Board Member
Jeremy Maya, Board Member

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Mayor Benjamín Gómez, Ex-Officio Member
Ramiro Guerra, Board Member

EDC STAFF

Rebeca, Castillo, San Benito EDC Executive Director
Victoria Padron, San Benito EDC Economic Development Specialist

Others Present:

David Flores, San Benito EDC Attorney
Luis Contreras, City of San Benito Cultural Arts Director
Belen Pena, City of San Benito Finance Director

1. Determination of a quorum

Mr. Julian Rios made welcoming remarks. A quorum was determined to be present.

2. Call to Order

Mr. Julian Rios called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

3. Pledge of Allegiance & Texas Flag Pledge

Standing for Pledge of Allegiance & Texas Flag Pledge was completed.

4. Invocation

Invocation was done by [Ms. Mary Bolado](#).

5. Public Comments

No Public Comments.

6. Presentation and Acknowledgement of the San Benito EDC Financial Statements for the period ending October 31, 2019

[Mrs. Belen Pena](#), City of San Benito Finance Director presented the San Benito Economic Development Corporation financial statements for the period ending on October 31, 2019 to the SBEDC Board of Directors.

A motion to acknowledge the San Benito EDC Financial Statements for the period ending on October 31, 2019 was made by [Mr. Encarnacion Lopez](#) motion was seconded by [Mr. Rene Garcia](#). The motion carried unanimously.

7. Presentation and Acknowledgement of the USDA Small Business Loan Program report for the period ending September 30, 2019;

[Mrs. Belen Pena](#), City of San Benito Finance Director, presented the USDA Small Business Loan Program report for the period ending on October 31, 2019 to the SBEDC Board of Directors.

A motion to acknowledge the USDA Small Business Loan Program report for the period ending September 30, 2019 was made by [Mr. Encarnacion Lopez](#). The motion was seconded by [Mr. Rene Garcia](#). The motion carried unanimously.

8. Presentation and Acknowledgment of the 2019 South Texas Music Festival post event report

[Mr. Luis Contreras](#), City of San Benito Cultural Arts Director presented the 2019 South Texas Music Festival post event report.

A motion to acknowledge the 2019 South Texas Music Festival post event report was made by [Mr. Rene Garcia](#). The motion was seconded by [Mr. Encarnacion Lopez](#). The motion carried unanimously.

9. Presentation of the Community Partnership Grant Info Session

[Mrs. Rebeca Castillo](#), EDC Executive Director presented the Community Partnership Info Session. Presentation only.

[Mr. Encarnacion Lopez](#) suggested to include the EDC Executive Director's recommendation on the Community Partnership Applications.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Under Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 and 551.087: Consultation with attorney regarding Project Lagoon and discussion/presentation regarding said project;
- B. Under Texas Government Code, Section 551.074, Personnel: To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, to hear complaints or charges against a public officer:
 - I. Discussion of EDC Executive Director's Employment Contract

EDC Board of Directors Convened into executive session at 7:33 PM

EDC Board of Directors Re-convened into public session at 9:16 PM

11. Action, if any, to be taken on items discussed in Executive Session

Motion to approve item B with changes as discussed in executive session was made by [Mr. Rene Garcia](#). The motion was seconded by [Ms. Mary Bolado](#). The motion carried unanimously.

12. Determination of Date and Time for the next San Benito EDC Board of Directors Meeting

The San Benito EDC Board of Directors agreed to a Special Called Meeting January 3, 2020 at 12:00 PM.

13. Meeting Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:18 PM. A motion to adjourn was made by [Ms. Mary Bolado](#). The motion was seconded by [Mr. Rene Garcia](#). The motion carried unanimously.

Approved by the San Benito Economic Development Corporation on this 15th day of January 2020.

Julian Rios, President

ATTEST:



Jeremy Maya, Secretary/Treasurer