

The Columbus Community & Industrial Development Corporation met in regular session on Monday, December 20, 2021, at 5:30 PM, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 605 Spring St., Columbus, Texas, with the following present:

President – Bruce Tesch

Vice President – Andy Nunmaker

Treasurer – Dwain Dungen

Secretary – Larry Solansky

Board Member – Michael Ridlen

Board Member – Shalor Townzen

Board Member – Chuck Hall

#### 1. Call to Order

President Bruce Tesch called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

### 2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Tesch led the pledge and invocation.

## 3. Consent Agenda:

Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Moved by: Andrew Nunmaker Seconded by: Michael Ridlen

Ayes: Bruce Tesch, Andrew Nunmaker, Larry Solansky, Dwain Dungen, Shalor

Townzen, Chuck Hall, and Michael Ridlen

Carried 7-0

- 3.1. Approval of Invoices Invoices Payable 12.20.2021.pdf
- 3.2. Approval of November 2021 Financial Statements November 2021 Financial Statement.pdf
- 3.3. Approval of Annual Meeting Minutes for November 15, 2021

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3.4. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for November 15, 2021 111521.MINUTES.pdf

#### 4. Citizens' Presentations and Comments\*

Billy Kahn, current Executive Director at the Chamber, introduced the new Chamber Director, Kristen Cepak. Kahn is retiring December 30th, 2021.

Dwain Dungen thanked Billy for his time, diligence, and support for the City of Columbus.

City Manager's Report: Sales Tax. <u>December Sales Tax Report.pdf</u> City Manager, Donald Warschak, gave his report. A copy is attached to these minutes. Sales tax for this period was \$47,069 compared to \$41,941 over the same time period last year. The County and the City of Weimar also saw increases, while the City of Eagle Lake saw a decrease.

# 6. Discussion and Action, if necessary, regarding the SEO Final Report. SEO Final Report.pdf @

Larry Solansky gave an update. It has increased the traffic to the site a little. Melissa Houser, of Positive Force, suggested some back links and possibly a blog. A blog would require daily interaction. Solansky thinks we should give it a little more time.

Motion to renew the SEO contract for another 6 months and reevaluate at that time.

Moved by: Larry Solansky

Seconded by: Andrew Nunmaker

Ayes: Bruce Tesch, Andrew Nunmaker, Larry Solansky, Dwain Dungen, Shalor

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# 7. Public Hearing on the Boys & Girls Club Community Development Grant and the Blake's Economic Development Grant.

The public hearing was opened at 5:35 p.m.

With only driveway clarification comments the public hearing was closed at 5:36 p.m.

8. Executive Session: In accordance with Texas Government Code, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 consultations with attorney, Section

551.072 deliberation regarding real property and Section 551.087 deliberation regarding economic development.

- 9. Reconvene into Regular Session and Consideration and Action, if any, regarding Executive Session, consultations with attorney, deliberations regarding real property and economic development.
- 10. Discussion of items to be placed on future agendas and announcements.

The January meeting would normally be scheduled for Monday, January 17th. That is a City Holiday. The meeting will be moved to Tuesday, January 18th.

Dinah Jacobs, Asst. City Secretary explained the new agenda software. Tesch thanked everyone and wished them a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

### 11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40p.m.

President - Bruce Tesch

Assistant City Secretary -

Dinah Jacobs