



City of Corpus Christi

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Corpus Christi B Corporation - Type B

Monday, January 27, 2025

1:30 PM

Council Chambers

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The mission of the Business & Jobs Development (Type A) and B Corporations is to promote and enhance the City of Corpus Christi's economic base by supporting projects and programs that create primary jobs, improve small business and affordable housing opportunities, and improve infrastructure in our City.

A. President Alan Wilson to call the meeting to order.

President Alan Wilson called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

B. Call Roll:

City Secretary Rebecca Huerta called the roll and verified that a quorum of the Board was present to conduct the meeting.

Present 5 - Board Member Mark LaRue, Board Member Victoria Holland, Board Member Johnny Philipello, Board Member Diana Summers, and Board Member Alan Wilson

Absent 2 - Board Member Vishnu Reddy, and Board Member Jesus Jimenez

C. PUBLIC COMMENT:

President Wilson referred to Public Comment. There were no comments from the public.

D. MINUTES / EXCUSE ABSENCES

1. [24-1942](#) Approval of Minutes for the Type B Board November 11, 2024 Regular Meeting.

President Wilson referred to Item 1. Ms. Summers made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Philipello, and passed unanimously.

E. FINANCIAL REPORT: NONE

F. EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS: NONE

G. AGENDA ITEMS: NONE

H. PUBLIC HEARING: NONE

This agenda constitutes notice of any project or type of project that is the subject of a public hearing for purposes of section 505.160 of the Texas Local Government Code.

I. PRESENTATION ITEMS:**2. [25-0113](#) Engineering Services Quarterly Project Update for Type B**

President Wilson referred to Item 2. Director of Engineering Services Jeffrey Edmonds presented the Engineering Services quarterly updates.

Mr. Edmonds presented an update on the following projects: Elizabeth Street (Santa Fe to S. Staples) construction completion is scheduled for May; Industrial Park Roadway Improvements; Huntwick Avenue - South Staples to Pavement Change; Williams Drive (Rodd Field to Lexington Road); and Bear Lane (SPID to Joe Mireur Road - Design Only).

Board Members, City Manager Zanoni and Mr. Edmonds discussed the following topics: whether there will be a claw back for the difference between the projected design build contract and the budget; Williams Drive project does not have access to the subdivision; and the Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority will pursue federal funds or other sources to aid in the construction cost of Bear Lane.

3. [25-0110](#) University of Texas at Austin's Home to Texas Program

President Wilson referred to Item 3. Director of Economic Development Arturo Marquez presented the University of Texas at Austin's Home to Texas Program.

Mr. Marquez presented the following: What is Home to Texas (H2TX); Why should you Participate; Application Process; Communities' Role in H2TX; Employers' Role in H2TX'; Students Role in H2TX; and Proposed Program Partnership.

Board Members and Mr. Marquez discussed the following topics: the program was created six-years ago by the University of Texas (UT) at Austin; whether the interns education course is outside of what is taught at Del Mar College or Texas A&M-Corpus Christi; the amount that is spent for Del Mar College and Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi internship programs per student; whether UT Austin is offering a paid internship program in addition to the scholarship; placement information for the intern into full time position upon graduation from UT Austin; whether the student will receive course or college credit for the internship program; the types of business that are eligible for the internship program; if the city plans to participate in the intern program; if there are different employers that currently participate with the Del Mar College and Texas A&M

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University Internship Program; the requirements for the students to qualify for the program; and the number of students from Corpus Christi area that attend UT Austin and are freshmen or sophomores.

4. [25-0117](#) Presentation and Possible Action Authorizing Small Business Drought Resilience Program

President Wilson referred to Item 4. Director of Economic Development Arturo Marquez presented the Small Business Drought Resilience Program with possible action.

Mr. Marquez presented the following: Drought Restriction; Plan of Action; Proposed Program; Funding Source; and LiftFund, Inc.

Board Member and Mr. Marquez discussed the following topics: whether the city previously had emergency an emergency fund; the \$50,000 is to assist in retaining the employees of the small businesses; the number of business that are currently struggling under the current drought restrictions; a breakdown of the administrative cost and how it will be used; a breakdown how the drought program will differ from the previous assistance program; business categories that will be funded.

Special meeting will be scheduled for February 10, 2025 to discuss and possibly approve the Small Business Drought Resilience Program.

J. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENTS:

President Wilson referred to the Executive Director comments. City Manager Peter Zaroni had no comments

K. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Wilson adjourned the meeting at 2:14 p.m.

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