

MIDLAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MINUTES

June 05, 2018

The Board of Directors of the Midland Development Corporation convened in regular session at the City of Midland Council Chamber, 300 North Loraine Street, Midland, Texas, on June 05, 2018.

Board Members present: Chairman Brent Hilliard, Director Wesley Bownds
Director Stephen Lowery and Director Keith Stretcher

Board Members absent: Director Gary Douglas

Staff Members present: Assistant City Manager Frank Salvato, Finance Director Pam Simecka, Assistant City Attorney Nicholas Toulet-Crump, Director of Engineering Jose Ortiz; Chief Information Officer Willie Resto; City Traffic Engineer Mike Pacelli and Deputy City Secretary SueAnn Lopez

Council Member(s) present: Jeff Sparks (District 1), Sharla Hotchkiss (District 3) and J. Ross Lacy (District 4)

MDC Staff Members present: Interim Administrator Sara Harris, Business Development Director Timothy Danielson, Director of Project Development Gary Law, and Administrative Assistant Blair Flanagan

1. Call meeting to order.

Chairman Hilliard called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

Chairman Hilliard thanked the staff from Texas Tech for their presence.

The following items were considered in the following order: 5, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 7.

2. Consider a motion approving the minutes of the April 25, 2018, meeting of the Midland Development Corporation.

Director Stretcher moved to approve the minutes of April 25, 2018; seconded by Director Lowery. The motion carried by the following vote: AYE: Hilliard, Bownds, Lowery and Stretcher. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Douglas.

3. Consider a motion approving the minutes of the May 07, 2018, meeting of the Midland Development Corporation.

Director Stretcher moved to approve the minutes of May 07, 2018; seconded by Director Bownds. The motion carried by the following vote: AYE: Hilliard, Bownds, Lowery and Stretcher. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Douglas.

4. Receive and discuss and consider the May 2018 monthly expenses from the Midland Development Corporation.

Interim Administrator Sara Harris stated the infrastructure construction reimbursement for the Weir Oil & Gas project at the David Mims Business Park had been paid.

5. Consider a resolution authorizing the First Vice Chairman to execute an agreement between the Midland Development Corporation and the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center; said agreement being for research, clinical and academic programs to implement a wide range of child and adolescent psychiatric services in Midland, Texas; appropriating funds; and authorizing payment therefor.

Representative Tom Craddick expressed what a great program it was for the City of Midland and congratulated the MDC for approaching Texas Tech and doing what they have done to meet the mental health needs of families all the way up to the Panhandle. He stated no longer would families have to drive to Dallas or El Paso for mental health services.

Texas Tech University Chancellor Robert Duncan expressed he was excited about the unique opportunities that allowed them to move forward with a program that would meet the needs of West Texas. He thanked the MDC for their support and partnership and stated he hoped they would continue to grow with some great ideas.

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center President Tedd Mitchell stated that the collaboration between the MDC and TTUHSC will change lives, and positively impact Midland's health needs. He said that the facility in Midland would be seeing thousands and thousands of people use the program, and that it would not only be a hub in West Texas, but also an example of how to execute such programs across the rest of the state.

Midland Health's Senior Vice President of Strategic Development Cory Edmondson said that this was very important for the community, because mental health resources are lacking. This opportunity came and the hospital became involved with the collaboration. He stated he felt Midland is a pioneering community and thanked MDC for thinking out of the box and helping the community. He said there was a huge need for mental health in the community and the program with TTUHSC would

be a valuable resource. On behalf of Midland Health, he thanked the MDC for initiating the collaboration.

Director Stretcher stated it was a pleasure to work with everyone and thanked his wife Sheryl Stretcher for her help and support.

Director Stretcher moved to approve Resolution 2018-369 authorizing the First Vice Chairman to execute an agreement between the Midland Development Corporation and the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center; said agreement being for research, clinical and academic programs to implement a wide range of child and adolescent psychiatric services in Midland, Texas; appropriating funds; and authorizing payment therefor; seconded by Director Bownds. The motion carried by the following vote: AYE: Hilliard, Bownds, Lowery and Stretcher. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Douglas.

6. Consider a resolution authorizing the funding for the Communication Ring Project in the amount of \$1,552,000.00, as contemplated by that certain economic development agreement between the City of Midland and the Midland Development Corporation for the purpose of combining funds to provide for the expansion of various infrastructure improvements to state and local highways and related facilities in and around the corporate limits of the City of Midland, as authorized by Chapter 501 of the Texas Local Government Code.

Director of Engineering Jose Ortiz stated the goal was to enhance technology and introduced Traffic Engineer Mike Pacelli. Mr. Pacelli explained that about ten years ago the City put in an advanced communication system to monitor signals but that technology changes and that the system needed an upgrade. He stated this project replaces and upgrades the current system which would distribute broadband and Wi-Fi in public places including wireless water meter reading.

Chairman Hilliard asked about the implementation.

Chief Information Officer Willie Resto stated the initial deployment would be about 60 days which including putting up the wireless points. Major roadways would be first and then arterials. He also stated they had selected six parks and those would be the first initiative with the entire project being completed in nine to ten months.

Director Bownds moved to approve Resolution 2018-370 authorizing the funding for the Communication Ring Project in the amount of \$1,552,000.00, as contemplated by that certain economic development agreement between the City of Midland and the Midland Development Corporation for the purpose of combining funds to provide for the expansion of various infrastructure improvements to state and local highways and related facilities in and around the corporate limits of the City of Midland, as authorized by Chapter 501 of the Texas Local Government Code; seconded by Director Lowery. The motion carried by the following vote: AYE: Hilliard, Bownds, Lowery and Stretcher. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Douglas.

7. Receive and discuss the monthly economic development activity report from the MDC staff as well as any reports on marketing and advertising activities.

Director of Project Development Gary Law, Business Development Director Timothy Danielson, and Interim Administrator Sara Harris gave a brief report on the monthly economic development activity, provided workforce/employment statistics, and discussed marketing and advertising activities. Ms. Harris noted the regional workforce has grown to a record size.

All the business at hand having been completed, Chairman Hilliard adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

SueAnn Lopez, Deputy City Secretary

PASSED AND APPROVED the 2nd day of July 2018.

Wesley Bownds, Secretary