MINUTES OF THE
KAUFMAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2020 - 6:00 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
209 S. WASHINGTON STREET
KAUFMAN, TEXAS 75142

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL MEETING TO ORDER Chairman calls the Meeting to order, states the date and time, states members present, and declares a quorum present.**

President Gillenwater called the KEDC meeting to order at 6:05 PM. Directors present were Charles Gillenwater, Gail Godwin-Mason, Ben Brashear, Barry Ratcliffe, and Jane Lucas. President Gillenwater declared a quorum present. Also present were City Manager Mike Slye, Assistant City Manager Mike Holder, City Attorney Patricia Adams, City Secretary Jessie Hanks, Development Services Director Marcy Ratcliff and Executive Director Anne Glasscock.

CITIZENS COMMENTS / REQUEST TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS (5 MINUTES) Comments about any of the agenda items may be taken into consideration at this time or during the agenda item. Comments are limited to five (5) minutes per individual unless additional time is otherwise required by law for translation. Speaking time is not transferable. Citizens may address the KEDC on any subject but must first complete a Request to Speak Form so that the Chairman may call your name to speak at the appropriate time on the Agenda. Comments must be directed to the KEDC as a whole. **When addressing the KEDC, please step forward to the speaker's podium, state your name and address, and direct your comments to the Chairman and KEDC.**

No comments were given.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. Discuss and take appropriate action on the Minutes from February 11, 2020, and March 4, 2020.

Director Lucas made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 11, 2020, and March 4, 2020, KEDC meetings. The motion was seconded by Vice President Ratcliffe and passed 5/0.

2. Consider and take appropriate action on two tracts of land owned by the Kaufman Economic Development Corporation, PID #178591 and #178592, generally located east of the Kaufman County Law Enforcement Center located at 1900 East Highway 175, and southwest of East Highway 175, containing approximately 43 acres, situated in the D. Falcon Survey, Abstract No. 151, Kaufman County, Texas, for a layout of two proposed lots for a future submission to the City of Kaufman for a land study, preliminary and final plat approval.

Ms. Ratcliff, Ms. Glasscock, and Tom Rutledge, TNP Engineer, gave a presentation to the corporation regarding the topography of the property, the options for the potential plat of the property, and the fully platted property. There were discussions about the appropriate/desired use of the property, potential alternate locations for the business, and the direction the board would like to go regarding the potential plat.

Vice President Ratcliffe left the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

Director Breshear made a motion to continue to evaluation of the future use of the property. The motion was seconded by Director Godwin-Mason and passed 4/0.

3. Consider and take appropriate action on the Business Retention Programs.

Ms. Glasscock informed the Corporation the initial purpose of the funds that were set aside to retain businesses in Kaufman. She outlined the purposed use of the funds to help businesses during these hard times. There was a discussion about the EDC using funds to reimburse the city for the Mayor's restaurant challenge. There were discussions about the potential retention ideas, how to select the businesses to participate, and

Vice President Ratcliffe rejoined the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

Director Brashear made a motion to create a business retention program for an amount not to exceed $1,250 and approving the $3,000 reimbursement expense to the city for the Mayor's Challenage. The motion was seconded by Vice Ratcliffe and passed 5/0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Gillenwater recessed into executive session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss the following item.

4. The KEDC will recess into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code for an executive session regarding the following:

A. Texas Government Code §551.072: Deliberation regarding real property, to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person: Lot in Prairie Creek Crossing Business Park

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session.

President Gillenwater reconvened into regular session at 7:45 p.m.

5. Consider and take appropriate action, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session.

Vice President Ratcliffe made a motion to decline the offer made on the property at this time due to the consideration of the best use of the property and the boards chose to not plat the lot with the direction to the EDC coordinator to continue to work with buyer. The motion was seconded by Director Lucas and passed 5/0.

BOARD INQUIRY If a member of the Corporation makes a spontaneous inquiry about a subject not on this agenda, then the KEDC or an appropriate staff member may make a statement of factual information or policy in response to such an inquiry. However, in accordance with Open Meetings Act Section 551.042, the KEDC cannot discuss issues raised or make any decisions on that subject at that time. Issues raised may be referred to Staff for research and possible future action.

Vice President Ratcliffe wished Ms. Glasscock a happy birthday.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Gillenwater adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

APPROVED:	**ATTEST:**
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Charles Gillenwater, President	Ben Brashear, Secretary/Treasurer