

MINUTES

Universal City Economic Development Corporation Special Meeting, Tuesday, April 28, 2020

In accordance with order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, the Universal City Economic Development Corporation conducted a telephonic and videoconference meeting on Tuesday, April 28, 2020 at 5:00 P.M. in order to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings (also called “social distancing”) to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

The public was invited to participate in this meeting by dialing US Toll-free to 888-788-0099 (Meeting ID: 998 3590 9250 Password: 10350) or by joining the Zoom meeting at <https://zoom.us/j/99835909250?pwd=REorUmRnYolPY1NPUUxacEtLeGN4dz09>

The public was permitted to offer public comments telephonically or via videostream as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting. Written questions or comments were able to be submitted up two hours before the meeting to Kristin Mueller, City Clerk at kmueller@uctx.gov.

A recording of the telephonic and video meeting was made and is available to the public in accordance with the Texas Public Information Act upon written request.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** President Crow called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

QUORUM CHECK:

Board Members Present

Dick Crow, President
John DiPiero, Vice President
Lenny Dagg, Secretary
Dick Neville, Treasurer
Bear Goolsby, Director
Roland Hinojosa, Director
Bryan Kuhlmann, Director

Board Members Absent

Mr. Crow noted a quorum was present.

2. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** None.

3. **PURPOSE OF THE SPECIAL MEETING:**

A. Public Hearing: On the expenditure of funds for the Universal City Economic Development Corporation Small Business Stimulus Program.

President Crow opened the Public Hearing at 5:01 PM.

Economic Development Director Kristin Mueller asked the Economic Development Corporation to consider authorizing the UCEDC Small Business Stimulus Program to assist businesses negatively affected by the COVID-19

pandemic. The program would be designed to assist small businesses that are independently owned and operated with a maximum of 25 employees. The program funds would be used to assist small businesses with rent and utility payments for 4 months, up to \$10,000 per business.

Ms. Mueller gave an overview of the EDC budget, proposed an application, gave a suggestion for what business types should not be eligible to apply, and detailed the supporting documentation that would need to be provided by the applicants.

Mr. Crow closed the Public Hearing at 5:25 PM.

B. Consider: Approval of Resolution 2020-2: A Resolution of the Universal City Economic Development Corporation, a Type B Economic Development Corporation, approving a project authorized by section 505.158 of the Texas Local Government Code, authorizing certain financial assistance up to \$250,000 for the Universal City Economic Development Corporation Small Business Stimulus Program, a grant program for businesses located within the City of Universal City, Texas; and providing for an immediate effective date.

The board discussed the timeline of the program, what businesses should be eligible to apply for, and after reviewing the budget to agreed allocate \$250,000 for the Small Business Stimulus Plan.

Mr. Neville moved to approve resolution 2020-2, establishing the Universal City Economic Development Corporation Small Business Stimulus Program and authorizing financial assistance up to \$250,000. Mr. DiPiero seconded the motion; the motion was approved unanimously.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No one from the public spoke.
7. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Dick Crow, President