



**KENEDY 4B CORPORATION MINUTES
OCTOBER 25, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.
CITY AUDITORIUM IN THE RUHMAN C. FRANKLIN MUNICIPAL BUILDING
303 W. MAIN ST., KENEDY, TX. 78119**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Gary Richards, President
Felipe Leal, Vice President
Leslie Wynn, Treasurer
Walter (Trey) Hill III, Investment Officer
Lajuana Kasprzyk, Director
Don Staggs, Director

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Cindy Saenz, Secretary

CITY PRESENT:

City Manager William Linn
Administrative Assistant Amy Desharnais

CITY ABSENT:

Ruby Beaven City Secretary

1. Call meeting to order and announce a quorum is present.

President Richards called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and announced a quorum was present.

2. Public comments.

No public comments.

3. Discussion and approval of the regular minutes for the September 27, 2021 meeting.

Motion: Director Kasprzyk made a motion to approve the regular minutes for the September 27, 2021 meeting. Treasurer Wynn seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Presentation by David Drewa with Drewa Designs for Possible stand-alone EDC 4B website.

David Drewa with Drewa Designs addressed the Board and gave a presentation for a stand-alone Economic Development Corporation website for Kenedy 4B Corporation. Drewa explained the website would be designed to focus on attracting business and development in Kenedy. The website would include demographics, incentives, available properties, and other relevant information to potential companies looking to relocate, expansion, or new business ventures. In addition, Drewa discussed potential benefits, proposed solutions, possible website architecture, social media and search directors, search features, and other services.

Discussion held among the Board and David Drewa about website control and fees.

5. Discussion and possible action to approve a stand-alone EDC 4B website focused on attracting business and development to Kenedy.

Motion: Director Kasprzyk makes a motion to approve a stand-alone EDC 4B website and put it on next months agenda to set the budget and what line items to pay it from, not to exceed \$11,000 for the first year. Director Staggs seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Discussion and possible action to review the current budget to consider a line item to utilize for the expense of the Bluebonnet seed for Joe Gulley Park on behalf of the Parks & Recreation Board.

Discussion held among the Board on which budget line item to choose to utilize to pay the expense of the bluebonnet seed purchase for Joe Gulley Park. The consensus was to use the Joe Gulley Gazebo landscape line item.

No action taken.

7. TABLED September 27, 2021. Discussion and possible action to approve the expense for the Bluebonnet seed for Joe Gulley Park on behalf of the Parks & Recreation Board.

Motion: Director Kasprzyk made the motion to approve the expense for the Bluebonnet seed for Joe Gully Park from the Joe Gulley Gazebo landscape budget line item. Vice President Leal seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

8. TABLED September 27, 2021. Discussion and possible action to approve the August 2021 Financial Report.

Discussion held among the Board and City Manager Linn about the August 2021 Financial Report to include expenditures and revenues.

Motion: Director Kasprzyk made the motion to approve the August 2021 Financial Report. Motion not seconded; motion failed.

Further discussion held among the Board and City Manager Linn.

Motion: Treasurer Wynn made the motion to approve the August 2021 Financial Report. Investment Officer Hill seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Discussion and possible action to approve the September 2021 Financial Report.

Discussion held among the Board and City Manager Linn. Director Kasprzyk stated that the end of fiscal year total revenues was about 85% of what was budgeted and the total expenses were 79% of what was budgeted.

Motion: Director Kasprzyk makes a motion to approve the September 2021 Financial Report. Director Staggs seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Discussion and possible action to approve bills for October 2021 to be paid for the month.

Director Kasprzyk questioned City Manager Linn about the bond interest being paid in October 2021, inquired if they were callable, and if could be refinanced since they are at 4% interest. City Manager Linn stated that refinancing would put them in a bind, so it is not possible.

Motion: Director Kasprzyk made a motion to approve the bills for October 2021. Vice President Leal seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Discussion and possible action to consider a part-time staff member or contract person for economic development.

Discussion held among the Board and City Manager Linn per the last meeting a motion was made for the City of Kenedy to provide legal documentation to 4B about the laws for the economic development corporation having an employee.

City Manager Linn stated that any staff member hired would actually be an employee of the City of Kenedy, but would be dedicated to the 4B Corporation. There is currently a vacancy at City Hall that we are looking to fill part time. We could have that person do the little things like monitoring the website.

Motion: Director Kasprzyk made the motion to not take action on this item. Motion not seconded; motion failed.

President Richards stated no action taken.

12. Discussion and possible action to consider authorizing a subcommittee for a Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee pursuant to Article V Board Committees 5.01 Committees Authorized.

Discussion held among the Board and City Manager Linn about authorizing a Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee under the Kenedy 4B Corporation.

City Manager Linn stated if the Parks & Recreation were an advisory committee to the 4B then this would cut out all the extra steps and bypass going straight to the City Manager first.

Motion: Treasure Leslie Wynn made the motion to authorize a subcommittee for a Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee pursuant to Article V Board Committees 5.01 Committees Authorized. Vice President Leal seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Discussion and possible action to appoint subcommittee members for the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee.

Motion: Director Kasprzyk made the motion to appoint subcommittee members for the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee by moving the current members in their current capacities and current terms to the new advisory committee from the Parks and Recreation Board. Treasurer Wynn seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Items to consider for placement on future agendas.

Discussion and possible action to establish a minimum or maximum amount to retain in the checking account and have the remaining amount invested.

Discussion and possible action on the economic development revitalization project for downtown area on Main Street from 1st Street through 5th Street.

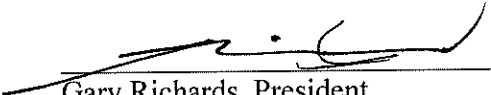
Presentation from City Manager Linn for a Facade Improvement Grant Program.

Discussion and possible action to amend the budget for EDC 4B website not to exceed \$11,000 and to establish a budget line item.

15. Adjourn.

Vice President Leal made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m. Director Staggs seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVED:



Gary Richards, President

ATTEST:



Amy Desharnais, Administrative Assistant