



**KENEDY 4B CORPORATION BUDGET WORKSHOP MINUTES**  
**AUGUST 15, 2022 – 6:00 P.M.**  
**CITY AUDITORIUM IN THE RUHMAN C. FRANKLIN MUNICIPAL BUILDING**  
**303 W. MAIN ST., KENEDY, TX 78119**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Cindy Saenz, Secretary  
Melissa Trawick-Sullivan, Director

**CITY PRESENT:**

Brandon Briones, Mayor  
William Linn City Manager  
Judy Murphy, City Secretary

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

President Richards called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and announced a quorum was present.

**2. Budget Workshop:**

• **Discuss Estimated Revenues for the 2022-2023 Budget Year.**

The projected revenues were prepared by the City Manager, Mr. Linn. He stated that he estimated a 2.28% increase in royalty income and a 6.8% increase in sales tax revenue.

Mr. Leal inquired about the status of the sales tax payback the Comptroller advised the City about. Mr. Linn replied that he will still need to investigate further.

Mr. Richards inquired about Convention Center remodeling costs and whether they could be funded by hotel occupation tax revenues. The youth center was discussed and it was stated this would be a separate location than the convention center. Mrs. Kasprzyk asked about the projected date for the convention center to be completed. Mr. Linn stated that on August 24 there would be a pre-construction meeting and the contractor, Lauger Company, would then have 240 days to complete the project once they begin. Mr. Richards asked if there were any further questions in regards to the revenues.

• **Discuss Expenditures for the 2022-2023 Budget Year.**

Mr. Richards stated the pictures he got from the police drones needed to be 5 times bigger to place them on the website. Mr. Hill requested a web site development project update be given at their next meeting.

- **Discuss Expenditures for the 2022-2023 Budget Year. (Continued)**

The ticket booth at the Larry Kiesling Sports Complex was discussed. Mr. Linn stated he would like the project to still be funded for next year. The issue that arose was putting it in properly.

Mr. Richards discussed the possibility of budgeting \$500,000 for the San Antonio River Authority (SARA) phase II, of the Escondido Creek Parkway expansion project. Mrs. Kasprzyk questioned why would 4 B Corporation pay for this project if SARA was conveyed the land? The phase 2 expansion project will take place next year. City Manager Linn recommends that the Kenedy 4B Corporation buy the land vs. paying them the \$500,000. Mr. Richards stated the legal costs of contacting all the land owners would be handled by SARA and some landowners live in other countries. Mayor Briones asked if 4B Corp did not give them the \$500,000, would SARA do the project anyway? Mrs. Kasprzyk added that perhaps the \$500,000 could be earmarked (budgeted) for this project but not spent until a written contractual agreement is in place. She also asked for an update on the new water line coming to the City. Mr. Linn replied the historic commission is required to do a dig to check for buried historical artifacts and an environmental study is still pending.

Mr. Richards discussed Grant Expenditures budget. He wanted to know what all qualified as grant expenses by small businesses. A possible tax abatement was discussed and utilizing a Chapter 380 agreement. Lease costs could be funded to draw in new small businesses. Mr. Wynn stated the City needed more small businesses in Kenedy. The proposed budget amount for grants was raised to \$150,000.

The sales tax rebate due to HEB was discussed. It was mentioned that the balance due to them for 2021 was approximately \$23,472 and that would leave approximately \$8,645 for next year. One option was to pay the entire balance of \$32,117.88 this year and be complete with this agreement. A budget amendment could be addressed at the next meeting to cover the estimated additional \$4,200 cost with savings from the training line item.

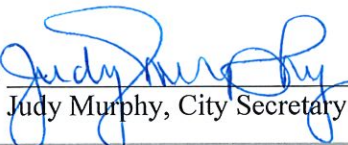
Total proposed budgeted expenses at the conclusion of all discussions amounted to \$2,607,600.00 which would exceed projected budgeted revenue by \$267,152.60. If this amount would be approved it would be a net of \$1,667,152.60 coming out of prior year's available fund balance. \$1,400,000 was already projected to come from fund balance to fund the convention center remodeling project. A motion was made by Mrs. Kasprzyk to approved the proposed budget figures. Mr. Wynn stated a motion wasn't necessary as this was just a workshop.

- Discuss ongoing projects for the 2022-2023 Budget Year.

### 3. **Adjourn meeting**

Mr. Richards adjourned the meeting at 7:13p.m.

ATTEST:

  
Judy Murphy, City Secretary

APPROVED:

  
Gary Richards, President