CITY OF FREEPORT
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

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BE IT REMEMBERED that the Economic Development Corporation of the City of Freeport met in a scheduled meeting Thursday August 9, 2012 at the Freeport City Council chambers at 403 N. Brazosport Boulevard, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items.

Jim Barnett (President) Brooks Bass (Vice-President)
Lila Diehl (Secretary)  Willie Garcia
Kenny Kouches Mingo Marquez Jr.
Roy Yates

Visitors in attendance: Mrs. Annette Sanford, Eric Hayes, Chris Duncan.

OPEN MEETING
Meeting was called to order by Mr. Barnett at 6:35 pm, with Mr. Garcia absent.

ATTENDING CITIZENS AND THEIR COMMENTS
Mrs. Sanford asked how the Dry Stack was coming along, because she realized it has been an ongoing problem, and she wondered if they would be penalties.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Mr. Bass made a motion to approve the minutes from 7/26/12 meeting, Mr. Kouches seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT
Mr. Hickey informed the Board that everything was fine and up to date.

PAYMENT OF BILLS
Mr. Bass made a motion to pay Purchase order # 11-043 to Schiffer, Odom, Hicks and Johnson. Mr. Yates seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
CONTINUE SELECTION OF 5 PRIORITY PROJECTS FOR PRESENTATION TO CITY COUNCIL

1. Wetlands
2. East end Lincoln Park
3. Recreation Center/Sports Complex for the youth of Freeport
4. EDC Director
5. Velasco north of Skinner between Ave. J & S. (Get streets opened up so it can be developed, because now there is no access to most of it)

These were some of the ideas that the Board discussed.

DISCUSS DRY STACK REBID PROCESS

Mr. Yates was waiting on Soils Report and on PSI report, Mr. Hickey was supposed to help him get them.

It was discussed that the City's insurance would probably not allow the end of the building to be removed during Hurricane season. So Mr. Yates told them that the bids should be done by November 1st and then hopefully the building could be done by the end of the year. Mr. Yates is still working to get it ready for the Engineers and they can write the scope of work using Rene's specs.

CONSIDER DONATION TO MAIN STREET FOR BLUES FESTIVAL

It was discussed and decided to donate $2500.00 to the Main Street.

Mr. Kouches made the motion, Mr. Marquez seconded and it passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: SECTION 551.071

Consultation with FEDC attorney concerning pending or contemplated litigation settlement offers or other matters in which his duty to the FEDC under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas conflicts with Chapter 551, Government Code, to-wit:

a. Dry Stack Building
b. Old Bank Building
c. FEDC vs. Royall
d. UR Project

ACTION TAKEN AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

NONE

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Kouches; it was seconded by Ms. Diehl, and passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

These minutes were read and approved this _______ day of August, 2012.

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James Barnett, President

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Attested to by Lila Diehl, Secretary