WHARTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION Minutes - Special Meeting

January 31. 2022

Fasident Freddie Pekar called the Meeting to order at 12:04 P.M.

Board Members Participating:

Freddie Pekar, Michael Roberson, Clifford Jackson, David Schroeder

Michael Wootton, Andrew Armour and Russell Machann

Board Members Not Participating:

None

Staff Member Present:

Joshua Owens

Consultant Present:

Karen Heintschel

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 20, 2021. The revised minutes were presented to the Board for approval. Director David Schroeder wanted more clarification on references to the FM 1301 Interlocal Agreement between Wharton EDC and the City of Wharton. No action was taken. A draft copy of the amended minutes will be included in the next meeting packet for approval.

Executive Session: According to Texas Government Code (Chapter 551, Open Meetings), the Board may conduct a closed executive session for the following reasons: Consultation with attorney §551.071, deliberation regarding real property §551.072, deliberation regarding prospective gift §551.073, personnel matters §551.074, deliberation regarding security devices §551.076, deliberation regarding economic development negotiations §551.087. Final action, decision, or vote, if any with regard to any matter considered in Executive Session shall be made in Open Meeting.

The Board went into Executive Session at 1:00 P.M.

- A. §551.072 Deliberation regarding Real Property
 - 1. 135 West Burleson Street. No action taken.
 - 2. 108 East Elm Street. No action taken.

The Board returned to Open Session at 2:00P.M.

- B. §551.072 Deliberation regarding Real Property.
- 1. 135 West Burleson Street and 2. 108 East Elm. Wharton EDC is developing guidelines, outlining the organization's expectations with regards to proposals for the Wharton EDC properties. The guidelines will be made available to all parties interested in the properties, upon review by Wharton EDC Counsel and adoption by the Board of Directors. Once adopted, these guidelines will be the basis of reviewing proposals.

The Wharton EDC Board has clarified its position regarding the properties, and will review all proposals on the properties meeting the forthcoming guidelines.

With no further business to discuss, President Freddie Pekar thanked everyone for coming and adjourned the meeting at 2:08 P.M.

WHARTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Freddie Pekar, President

Andrew Armour, Secretary