

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE YOAKUM ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Monday, June 4, 2018  
City Hall Conference Room – 5:00 PM

PRESENT:	Gery B. Maneth.....	President
	Anita R. Rodriguez.....	Vice-President
	Tommy Barre.....	Director
	Arthur G. Hermann III.....	Secretary
	Elorine Sitka.....	Director
	Zenith Stevens.....	Director
	Kevin Coleman.....	City Manager
	Theresa A. Bowe.....	City Clerk
	Chuck Dart.....	Dir of Economic Development
ABSENT:	Whitney Boone.....	Director
	Sandra Jacob.....	Director of Finance

The meeting was called to order and opened to the public at 5:15 PM.

Scores were reviewed from previously received grant applications. Information for each grant was reviewed and discussed. Information was presented regarding the following grant requests:

A Business District Preservation Grant request to assist with the opening of a bar and grill for Tacos Los Goldos at 310 Front Street was considered. After discussion, Director Barre made a motion to approve the grant request in an amount up to \$7,500 contingent upon all required permits and licenses being acquired. Motion was seconded by Director Sitka and carried unanimously.

A Business Retail Enhancement Grant application received from the owners of Dairy Treet was considered to assist with the relocation of the existing business to a larger building at 901 W. Grand Avenue. After review, Director Sitka made a motion to approve the grant in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 contingent all required permits and licenses being acquired. Second was made Director Stevens; motion carried unanimously.

Four Business District Preservation Program grants were received from Double D Land and Cattle/Double D Ranchwear. The owner's highest priority is the property located at 514 – 516 Lott Street. Discussion was held regarding the roofing project. Motion was made by Director Hermann to approve the grant request in an amount up to \$7,500. Motion was seconded by Director Rodriguez. Motion carried with Directors Rodriguez, Hermann, Sitka, and Stevens voting in favor; Directors Maneth and Barre voting against. The board chose to not entertain the applicant's other three grant applications due to available funds and the long-standing policy of one applicant grant per fiscal year.

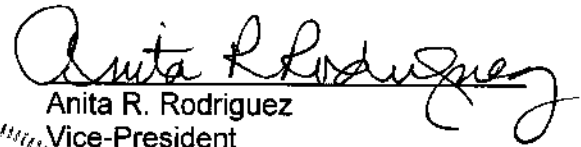
A Business Retail Enhancement Program grant was reviewed from Angel K Enterprises for property located at 611 N. South Street for plumbing renovations. Discussion was held regarding the request. Motion by Director Sitka to approve the request in an amount not to exceed \$4,850 contingent upon all required permits and licenses being acquired. Second was made by Director Hermann; motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding the proposed temporary intern program and scope of work surrounding the position. DED Dart presented information indicating that the additional assistance would move the downtown revitalization project along at a faster pace. Questions were posed and addressed. Based on the information provided, the total cost would be roughly \$3,680. Budgetary

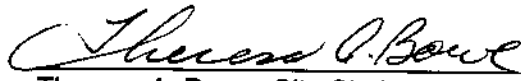
amounts were reviewed. The intern would be utilized to put together the planning and zoning overlay project and additional bulleted items. One half of the intern salary would be covered by a grant and the other one half would be paid for through funds received from the dissolved preservation society that donated funds for the downtown preservation effort. Discussion was held regarding the overlay district and how it may affect the downtown district. Direction was provided to staff to make contact with the cities to gain the information, provide the information to the intern for dissection, and provide supervision to the intern on the projects. Any trips to cities would be made by DED Dart for gathering of documents and information. Priorities were discussed and outlined. The applicant process was reviewed and the position will be posted to begin taking applications. Motion was made by Director Sitka to approve a temporary intern position. Motion was seconded by Director Stevens and carried unanimously.

Revisions to the Yoakum EDC Grant Programs were presented and reviewed. The point system and application were discussed and revisions made. Final revisions will be brought before the Board at the next meeting.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

  
Anita R. Rodriguez  
Vice-President

ATTEST:

  
Theresa A. Bowe, City Clerk

