

December 16, 2019  
Conference Room – 11:30 AM  
City Hall

REGULAR MEETING OF THE YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESENT: Gery Maneth..... President  
Whitney Boone..... Vice-President  
Arthur Hermann..... Secretary  
Tommy Barre..... Director  
Anita R. Rodríguez..... Director  
Zenith Stevens..... Director  
Kevin M. Coleman..... City Manager  
Theresa A. Bowe..... City Clerk

ABSENT: Elorine Sitka..... Director

President Maneth called the meeting to order at 11:46 AM.

Motion by Director Rodriguez to adopt the minutes of the meetings of November 18, 2019, November 20, 2019, and December 11, 2019 as presented. Second was made by Director Boone and motion carried unanimously.

City Manager Coleman presented Financial Reports. Written reports were provided and questions were posed and addressed. After review, Director Barre made a motion to accept the November Financial Report as presented. Motion was seconded by Director Hermann and carried unanimously.

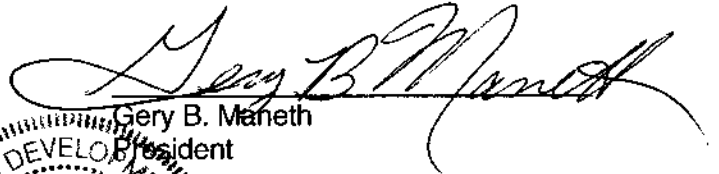
Review was held of the Sales Tax Comparison Report received based on numbers from the Texas State Comptroller. Discussion was held.

Under the City Manager’s Report, future grant projects were reviewed including the potential application from the owner of Huth Memorial Hospital. The purchase contract has been extended until January 15<sup>th</sup>. Additional information should be available after that date. Russell Gabel has expressed interested in submitting a grant application for expansion of the Edward Jones building located on Lott Street. Kerry Rhotenberry indicated her intent to prepare an application for additional grant funds for her building on Lott Street. The Board gave direction to proceed with caution on the type of grant she applies for. Downtown projects were reviewed: the Vellarta Restaurant has received and installed the sign as per the submitted grant application; funds have not been requested by the property owners as of this date. Previously approved grant application for Yoakum Partners of Yoakum, Texas in the amount of \$30,000 was discussed. The property owners have requested that a portion of the funds be released prior to the final report from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for the appropriate removal of the abandoned tanks. After discussion, the Board gave direction to release 2/3 of the funds and hold the remaining 1/3 until the final report indicating compliance is received.

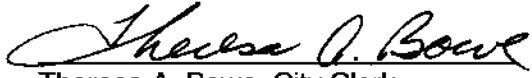
President Maneth announced that the Board would enter into Executive Session at 12:03 PM to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (V.T.C.A., Gov. Code, Sec. 551.072), and to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, etc. of the Director of

Economic Development position (V.T.C.A., Gov. Code, Sec. 551.074). The meeting reopened to the public at 12:55 PM with no action resulting from Executive Session.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:55 PM.

  
Gery B. Maneth  
President

ATTEST:

  
Theresa A. Bowe, City Clerk

