

**CALLED MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
CANTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
(CEDC)**

**5:30 P.M., TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2020**

**CANTON CITY HALL, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
201 N. BUFFALO STREET, CANTON, TEXAS**

**MINUTES**

The Board of Directors of the Canton Economic Development Corporation (CEDC) attended a called meeting at the above mentioned date and time. CEDC board members present included: President John McKeehan, 1st Vice President Kevin Deibert, 2nd Vice President Rhita Koches, DeAnne Callan, Gary Hatfield, Larry Morgan and ex-officio Lonny Cluck, and Executive Director Julie Seymore, CEDC Asst. Director Stacy Crossley. Not in attendance were Joe Zoubi, and ex-officio member Mayor Lou Ann Everett.

1. Call to Order and Announce a Quorum - President John McKeehan announced a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2. Invocation - Given by Deane Callan
3. Pledge of Allegiance - Lead by John McKeehan
4. Declarations Regarding Conflicts of Interest – Larry Morgan declared a conflict of interest on item 5 as owner of Serendipity Consignment Boutique.
5. Discussion and Action Authorizing Certain Financial Assistance up to \$5,000.00 each for Businesses Located within the City of Canton, Texas Who Have been Significantly Impacted by COVID-19 Restrictions - Mrs. Julie Seymore presented the board with a list of sixteen applicants with grants totaling \$73,150.

Motion to approve the applications and award the grants as presented by Mrs. Seymore in the total amount of \$73,150 was made by Kevin Deibert and seconded by Rhita Koches. Motion passed with Larry Morgan abstaining and all others voting in favor.

**When necessary and warranted, a closed or executive session will follow pursuant to the provision of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, Section 551.087.**

6. Executive Session: The board did not convene in closed session.
  - A. Section 551.087 – to deliberate commercial or financial information the CEDC has received from a business prospect, and to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to business prospects, including but not limited to a mixed-use development project and recruitment of new commercial prospects.
7. Return to Open Session and Consider Action, if any, on Items Discussed in Executive Session
8. Items for Future Agendas – None

9. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m. upon motion by Kevin Deibert and second by Gary Hatfield.



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John T. McKeehan II, President

ATTEST:



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Stacy Crossley, Board Secretary