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CITY OF LA PORTE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION MEETING AGENDA

Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the City of La Porte Development Corporation to be held on November 11, 2019, at the City Hall Council Chambers, 604 West Fairmont Parkway, La Porte, Texas, beginning at 4:30 pm to consider the following items of business:

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** (Generally limited to five minutes per person; in accordance with state law, the time may be reduced if there is a high number of speakers or other considerations.)
3. **AUTHORIZATIONS**
 - (a) Approve minutes of the meeting held on September 23, 2019. [Richard Warren, President]
 - (b) Presentation, discussion, and possible action to approve posting and beginning a 60-day comment period for proposed CIP projects for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 utilizing La Porte Development Corporation Board funds. [Ryan Cramer, Economic Development Coordinator]
 - (c) Presentation, discussion, and possible action on proposed mini-mural renderings and strategy for painting of traffic control boxes on Main Street. [Ryan Cramer, Economic Development Coordinator]
4. **SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING**
5. ***Hear announcements concerning matters appearing on the agenda; items of community interest; and/or inquiries of staff regarding specific factual information or existing policy from the Committee members and City staff, for which no formal action will be discussed or taken.***
6. **ADJOURNMENT**

If, during the course of the meeting and discussion of any items covered by this notice, the La Porte Development Corporation Board determines that a Closed or Executive Session of the Board is required, then such closed meeting will be held as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.071 - consultation with counsel on legal matters; Section 551.072 - deliberation regarding purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property; Section 551.073 - deliberation regarding a prospective gift; Section 551.074 - personnel matters regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; Section 551.076 - implementation of security personnel or devices; Section 551.087 - deliberation regarding economic development negotiation; Section 551.089 - deliberation regarding security devices or security audits, and/or other matters as authorized under the Texas Government Code. If a Closed or Executive Session is held in accordance with the Texas Government Code as set out above, the La Porte Development Corporation Board will reconvene in Open Session in order to take action, if necessary, on the items addressed during Executive Session.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services are requested to contact the City Secretary's office (281-470-5019), two working days prior to the meeting for appropriate arrangements.

CERTIFICATE

I, Lee Woodward, City Secretary, do hereby certify that a copy of the November 11, 2019, La Porte Development Corporation Board agenda was posted on the City Hall bulletin board, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and to the City's website, www.LaPorteTX.gov, in compliance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

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Lee Woodward

Lee Woodward, City Secretary

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MINUTES OF THE LA PORTE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2019

The City of La Porte Development Corporation Board met on Monday, September 23, 2019, at the City Hall Council Chambers, 604 West Fairmont Parkway, La Porte, Texas, at 5:00 p.m., with the following in attendance:

Board members present: Richard Warren, Chuck Engelken, Danny Earp (*arrived at 5:02 p.m.*), Johnny Morales, Shelley Fuller, Nancy Ojeda (*arrived at 5:02 p.m.*)

Board members absent: Venessa Guerrero

Council-appointed officers present: Jason Weeks, Assistant City Manager; Lee Woodward, City Secretary; Clark Askins, Assistant City Attorney

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – President Warren called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. STATUTORY AGENDA

(a) **Approve minutes of the meeting held on August 26, 2019. [Richard Warren, President]**

Board member Morales moved to approve the minutes: the motion was adopted, 4-0.

(b) **Presentation, discussion, and possible action to approve reimbursement for a completed Enhancement Grant project at 812 South 8th Street. [Ryan Cramer, Economic Development Coordinator]**

Board member Morales moved to approve reimbursement for a completed Enhancement Grant project at 812 South 8th Street for \$21,505.00; the motion was adopted, 6-0

(c) **Presentation, discussion, and possible action to approve reimbursement for a completed Enhancement Grant project at 508 W. Main Street. [Ryan Cramer, Economic Development Coordinator]**

Board member Fuller moved to approve a reimbursement for \$6,998.73 for a completed Enhancement Grant project at 812 South 8th Street; the motion was adopted, 6-0.

(d) **Presentation and discussion of possible changes to the Enhancement Grant Program. [Ryan Cramer, Economic Development Coordinator]**

Board members suggested that general beautification monies were available for art projects and improvements and reiterated that the enhancement grants should be for packages to bring back dilapidated properties, not to pay for signs for typical new business expenses. Members encouraged including a reminder that grants were for enhancing areas around buildings and perhaps remove *renovate or convert existing structures back to their original historic conditions* as that may not be as appropriate as *updated or enhanced*. Also discussed was actively/advertising promoting the opportunities for sites and funding for art enhancements and requesting that applicants include original photos, not simply those lifted from websites.

(e) **Presentation and discussion on the Board's interest in a convention/conference center. [Ryan Cramer, Economic Development Coordinator]**

Board members expressed being open to ideas and perhaps an economic impact feasibility study on what's appropriate for the La Porte area. Also discussed were remote work and co-working space opportunities.

3. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for October 28, 2019.

4. COMMENTS

There were no comments.

5. ADJOURN – Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Lee Woodward, City Secretary



REQUEST FOR LA PORTE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Date Requested: November 11, 2019

Requested By: Ryan Cramer, E.D. Coordinator

Department: Administration

Report Resolution Ordinance

Exhibits: None

Appropriation

Source of Funds:	<u>Adm. Transfer to Fund 015</u>
Account Number:	<u>038-6030-565-9015</u>
Amount Budgeted:	<u>\$1,345,700</u>
Amount Requested:	<u>\$2,300,700</u>
Budgeted Item:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

SUMMARY

In order to expend the funds this Board allotted for CIP projects in the latest budget cycle, the City has to post it much like it would for an incentive given to a private corporation. Approval will start the 60-day citizen comment period. After this period, barring citizen petition, staff will bring the list forward for final approval.

Staff has also determined, to allow for starting these projects as early in the fiscal year as possible and provide flexibility if a '19-20 project is found unnecessary or comes in under budget, it would be best to post the 2020-2021 fiscal year projects as well. Approval of posting does not commit the City to funding any particular project in the posting. Staff will still seek approval from this Board before acting on any '20-21 projects, whether through the regular budget process or a '19-20 budget amendment.

The discussed list of potential CIP projects is:

2019-2020 Fiscal Year

- Northwest Park Lighting Project - \$523,950
- Golf Course Infrastructure 1 - \$169,000
- Wave Pool Renovations - \$250,000
- Five Points Pavilion - \$350,000
- Golf Course Clubhouse Repair - \$52,800

2020-2021 Fiscal Year

- Golf Course Infrastructure 2 - \$600,000
- Handicap Accessible Playground - \$250,000
- 14th Street Playground Equipment Project - \$55,000
- Fairmont Park Fitness Equipment - \$50,000

RECOMMENDED MOTION

I approve staff to publicly post and begin the 60-day comment period for nine projects totaling \$2,300,700 over two years. These projects are the Northwest Park Lighting - \$523,950; Golf Course Infrastructure 1 - \$169,000; Wave Pool Renovations - \$250,000; Five Points Pavilion - \$350,000; Golf Course Clubhouse Repair - \$52,800; Golf Course Infrastructure 2 - \$600,000; Handicap Accessible Playground - \$250,000; 14th Street Playground Equipment Project - \$55,000; and Fairmont Park Fitness Equipment - \$50,000.

Approved for the La Porte Development Corporation Board meeting agenda

Corby D. Alexander, City Manager

Date



**REQUEST FOR LA PORTE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD
AGENDA ITEM**

Agenda Date Requested: <u>November 11, 2019</u>
Requested By: <u>Ryan Cramer, E.D. Coordinator</u>
Department: <u>Administration</u>
<input type="radio"/> Report <input type="radio"/> Resolution <input type="radio"/> Ordinance

Appropriation	
Source of Funds:	_____
Account Number:	_____
Amount Budgeted:	_____
Amount Requested:	_____
Budgeted Item:	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

Exhibits: Renderings

SUMMARY

At the July 22 meeting, staff brought forward the first round of renderings from UP Art Studios for the Board to provide direction on four electrical box mini-murals. Two of the options were deemed approximate the Board's vision with some minor changes needed, while the other options were not close enough to warrant tweaks. After the meeting, on August 6, the Economic Development Coordinator and the Board Chairman met with Elia Quiles of UP Art to talk about the changes necessary to align with the Board's vision and potential options for the other two boxes. Staff then received revised rendering on September 30.

As it relates to the last two murals, staff would like the Board's opinion on having a public poll to garner opinions on both theme and artist from the UP Art roster. This appears to be the easiest way to invite the public into the process and maintain consistency with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

RECOMMENDED MOTION

I move to approve staff moving forward with (design choice 1) and (design choice 2).
Additionally, give direction to staff as it relates to the final two mini-mural boxes.

Approved for the La Porte Development Corporation Board meeting agenda

Corby D. Alexander, City Manager

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