

DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF ABILENE, INC.
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
December 17, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Copeland Marelyn Shedd Dani Ramsay
 Scott Senter John Beckham

STAFF PRESENT: Kent Sharp Kim Tarrant

GUESTS PRESENT: Don Green - Abilene Regional Airport
 Brian Bethel - Abilene Reporter News

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:

President Dave Copeland called the meeting to order at 1:37 p.m. at Abilene Laboratories, 1325 Pine St., Abilene Texas.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 25, 2014, BOARD MEETING:

Scott Senter moved to approve the minutes from the November 25, 2014 board meeting. John Beckham seconded and the motion carried.

3. SALES TAX REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2014: Kent Sharp presented the December 2014 sales tax rebate report. The sales tax rebate for economic development, which represents sales tax revenue from October 2014, was \$836,922.30. The rebate is 8.68% above last year and approximately 6.55% above the projected FY 15 budget.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION – SESSION 1: I hereby announce we are going into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, 072, 074 and 087 to consult with our legal counsel, discuss real property transactions, personnel matters, and discuss economic development negotiations involving a business prospect, as set forth on the agenda. Any vote or action will be taken in open session.

President Dave Copeland announced the date is December 17, 2014, and the time is 1:40 p.m. Later, President Copeland announced the date is still December 17, 2014, and the time is 1:46 p.m. No vote or action was taken in Executive Session.

5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MATCH FUNDING FOR A JOINT LAND USE STUDY FOR DYESS AFB:

Don Green, the director of Aviation at Abilene Regional Airport, requested funds from the DCOA of up to \$50,000 in order to perform a Joint Land Use Study (JLUS). The JLUS is a grant program offered by the U.S. Department of Defense Office of Economic Adjustment that will benefit both the local community and the military installation during the process of community development. Recent urban development near Dyess AFB has impacted operational effectiveness and mission readiness and if allowed to go unregulated, the incompatible development may further compromise the

base's utility and mission effectiveness. This study will be used as a cooperative land use planning effort between The City and Dyess AFB to address any perceived incompatible development near Dyess AFB that could adversely affect the military base as well as the community.

John Beckham moved to approve resolution DCOA-2015.02 authorizing funding up to \$50,000 to cover the required 10% grant match for a JLUS study net the value of the City's in-kind contribution. Scott Senter seconded and the motion was carried.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION – SESSION 2:

I hereby announce we are going into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, 072, 074 and 087 to consult with our legal counsel, discuss real property transactions, personnel matters, and discuss economic development negotiations involving a business prospect, as set forth on the agenda. Any vote or action will be taken in open session.

President Dave Copeland announced the date is December 17, 2014, and the time is 1:50 p.m. Later, President Copeland announced the date is still December 17, 2014, and the time is 3:30 p.m. No vote or action was taken in Executive Session.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 13, 2015. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.



Dave Copeland, President