The City of Liberty

Liberty Community Development Corporation

1829 Sam Houston Street
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Meeting

~ Minutes ~

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Tuesday, April 6, 2010	6:00 PM	City Council Chambers

The Liberty Community Development Corporation of Liberty, Texas reserves the right to meet in closed session on any agenda item should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order on April 6, 2010 at the City Council Chambers, 1829 Sam Houston, Liberty,TX at 6:03 PM by President Dennis Beasley.

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Late	Arrived
Dennis Beasley	þ	¨	¨	
Mike McCarty	þ	¨	¨	
Billy Page	þ	¨	¨	
Louie Potetz	þ	¨	¨	
Mike Van Etta	þ	¨	¨	
Juan Venegas	þ	¨	¨	
Robert Ward	¨	þ	¨	
Gary Broz	þ	¨	¨	

II. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUESTS AND VISITORS / CITIZENS FORUM

President Beasley welcomed guests and visitors, opening the floor for public comment to those individuals wishing to address the Board regarding non-agenda items. There were no comments from the audience.

General Manager Gary Broz reported that the regular May meeting of the Corporation scheduled for May 4th would be changed to May 6th, due to early voting taking place in the Council Chambers.

III. PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS

A. LCDC Information Item (ID # 1621)

February 2010 Financial Report

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Mr. Broz reported on the February Financial Report, stating that a balance sheet had been distributed which reflects the various fund balances and assets. Mr. Broz stated that few funds had been expended to date, approximately $1347, except for the purchase of the fire department substation property, in the amount of $123,808, located at Hwy.90 and Bowie Street.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

All consent items listed are considered to be routine by the LCDC and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board Member so requests, and if such a request is made, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in a normal sequence on the agenda.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Louie Potetz, Board Member
SECONDER:	Mike Van Etta, Board Member
AYES:	Beasley, McCarty, Page, Potetz, Van Etta, Venegas
ABSENT:	Robert Ward

A. Minutes Approval

1. Thursday, March 11, 2010

V. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Regular Session

1. LCDC Corporation Action (ID # 1622)

Consider Approval of Rules of Procedure and Protocol for the Handling of Proposed Projects for LCDC Consideration.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Mr. Broz distributed to the Board Members an LCDC Application Request Form to be executed by those requesting assistance from the LCDC regarding proposed projects for consideration. Mr. Broz stated that this form would be used as a tool in the screening for funds and related projects. Mr. Broz further stated that guidelines, for this process, will be completed at a later date.

RESULT:	**NO ACTION TAKEN**

2. LCDC Corporation Action (ID # 1623)

Discussion, and Possible Action, on the Future Status of the Old Mercy Hospital.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Mr. Broz reported that he had spoken with County Judge Phil Fitzgerald regarding the demolition of the old Mercy Hospital, located at 521 Travis Street. Mr. Broz reported that the City would prepare bid packets, and see that the bid is let. Bid results will be taken to the Liberty County Commissioners and the LISD Board of Trustees for discussion of sharing in the cost of demolition. The purpose of this demolition is to get this property back onto the tax roll.

Further discussion included the charm of the downtown area and how to sustain its historic value. LCDC discussed assisting the downtown businesses in preserving/revitalizing the downtown district.

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

3. LCDC Corporation Action (ID # 1624)

Discussion, and Possible Action, on the Design and Location of Billboard Signs to Promote the City of Liberty.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Mr. Broz reported that with the assistance of the Liberty-Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce, a contest would be held for the design of a billboard, which would be used as a tool to promote the City of Liberty. Mr. Broz stated that he had been in contact with several billboard companies, who are scouting possible locations. President Beasley provided two samples of possible designs incorporating the American flag.

At this time, a power point presentation was given by President Beasley of the City's new manufacturing facility, Boomerang Tube, LLC. Mr. Beasley pointed out several features of this facility and stated that the photos included in the power point were taken during a helicopter ride at the Liberty Jubilee.

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

4. LCDC Information Item (ID # 1625)

Discussion on Status of Proposed Street Extension to Connect the Downtown Area to the Bypass, to Include Engineering and Funding.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Mr. Broz reported that engineering proposals, for the Texas Street extension to the Bypass, were being worked on and proposers would be present for the May 6th meeting. Mr. Broz further stated that, at this same meeting, he will present options for financing of the street extension.

Discussion was held regarding project completion time, notifying Liberty County Hospital District No. 1 of possible locations for a new hospital, the street extension opening up various new opportunities, and discussion of a proposed street name.

5. LCDC Information Item (ID # 1626)

Discussion on Status of Proposed Construction of a Fire Department Substation Building, to be Located on the South Side of Hwy. 90 at Bowie Street.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Mr. Broz reported on the proposed construction of a Fire Department Substation building, to be located at Hwy. 90 and Bowie Street. Mr. Broz stated that the building would be comprised of a 3-bay metal building with a small office, and room for future expansion.

After brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Broz to obtain specifications for the building and to let bids. Mr. Broz will also to return to the next meeting with cost estimates for this construction.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

A. Motion To: Adjourn

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

There being no further business before the Corporation, the meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Louie Potetz, Board Member
SECONDER:	Mike Van Etta, Board Member
AYES:	Beasley, McCarty, Page, Potetz, Van Etta, Venegas
ABSENT:	Robert Ward

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Dennis Beasley, President

ATTEST:

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Dianne Tidwell, City Secretary