

The Woodlands Township
AD HOC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, December 6, 2017
MINUTES

The Ad Hoc Economic Development Committee of The Woodlands Township Board of Directors met in regular session, open to the public, on Wednesday, December 6, 2017 posted to begin at 4:45 p.m. The Committee meeting was held in a meeting room at the office of The Woodlands Township, 2801 Technology Forest Boulevard; The Woodlands, Texas 77381 within the boundaries of The Woodlands Township.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Committee Chair Dr. Ann Snyder, Committee Member John McMullan and Committee Member Brian Boniface.

STAFF ADVISORS: Director of Community Relations, Nick Wolda; The Woodlands Township President, Don Norrell; The Woodlands Township Assistant to the President, Karen Dempsey; Community Relations Manager, Mary Connell and The Woodlands Township Attorney, Robin Cross.

OTHER ATTENDEES: Jonathan Shelledy, Gensler; Raffael Scassera, Gensler; Duncan Webb, Webb Management; Rhonda Routh, Sterling Associates; Deb Spiess, John Cooper School; Jerry MacDonald, The Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion; Amy LeCocq, The Woodlands Arts Council and Colton Hveem, member of the public.

Call to order; 4:47 p.m.

Committee Chair Ann Snyder called the meeting to order at 4:47 p.m. There was a quorum of members present; the Committee proceeded to conduct business regarding the following matters.

Public Comment;

None.

Receive, consider and act upon adoption of the meeting agenda;

Motion to adopt agenda was made by Brian Boniface and seconded by John McMullan. Motion passed unanimously.

Receive, consider and act upon minutes from November 30, 2017 meeting;

Motion made by Brian Boniface to adopt the minutes and John McMullan seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Receive, consider and act upon matters related to Phase II of the Cultural Arts Study;

Duncan Webb of Webb Management presented the economic impacts of a natural science museum, including construction, operation, audience spending and total annual operating impacts. Jonathan Shelledy of Gensler introduced the presentation scheduled for the Board of Directors meeting, including the economic impacts of a new performing arts center in addition to the impacts of a natural science museum, as well as an expanded program option. Motion to accept the presentation was made by Brian Boniface and seconded by John McMullan. Motion passed unanimously.

Receive, consider and act upon a proposal of a possible Phase III of the Cultural Arts Study;

Jonathan Shelledy presented a proposed Phase III timeline to include a project definition, facility programming and pre-design analysis. General Manager Don Norrell recommended that a proposal for Phase III be brought to the Board of Directors in January. Motion to accept a proposal of a possible Phase III of the Cultural Arts Study was made by Brian Boniface and seconded by John McMullan. Motion passed unanimously.

Recess to the Executive session with counsel, staff and/or affected third parties to discuss matters relating to real property, deliberation of economic development negotiations, discuss personal matters, consult with The Woodlands Township attorney, and discuss funding alternatives and potential agreements with other local, state and federal agencies;

No Executive Session necessary.

Reconvene in Public Session; and take action on matters from Executive Session;

Receive, consider and act upon the next meeting date of the Economic Development Committee;

The decision was made to hold the next meeting on Wednesday, December 20, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. at The Woodlands Township and was made by Brian Boniface and seconded by John McMullan. Motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of items to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting;

Items to be placed on the next meeting's agenda are to include the potential Phase III proposal and a presentation requested by Mike Bass.

Adjournment;

Motion made by John McMullan to adjourn meeting. Brian Boniface seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

