

The Woodlands Township
AD HOC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, January 23, 2019
MINUTES

The Ad Hoc Economic Development Committee of The Woodlands Township Board of Directors met in regular session, open to the public, on Wednesday, January 23, 2019 posted to begin at 3:00 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 Bruce Rieser and Committee Member Carol Stromatt.

STAFF ADVISORS: The Woodlands Township President, Don Norrell; The Woodlands Township Director of Community Relations, Nick Wolda; The Woodlands Township Attorney, Robin Cross; The Woodlands CVB Assistant Director, Elizabeth Eddins and CVB Sr. Administrative Assistant, Sonia Guerrero.

OTHER ATTENDEES: Jane Stueckemann, The Woodlands Villager and Dwaine Choate, community member.

1. Call to order;

Committee Chair Ann Snyder called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. There was a quorum of members present; the Committee proceeded to conduct business regarding the following matters.

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

Motion to adopt the agenda was made by Carol Stromatt and seconded by Bruce Rieser. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Comment;

None.

4. Receive, consider and act upon minutes from December 5, 2018 meeting;

Motion made by Carol Stromatt, seconded by Ann Snyder to adopt the minutes. Motion passed. Committee member Bruce Rieser abstained.

5. Receive, consider and act upon naming a Chair for the Committee;

Committee member Bruce Rieser nominated Dr. Ann Snyder to continue serving as Chair. Dr. Ann Snyder accepted the nomination. Motion made by Carol Stromatt, seconded by Bruce Rieser to name Dr. Ann Snyder Chairman of the Economic Development Committee. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Receive, consider and act upon 2019 meeting dates for the Committee;

Committee member Bruce Rieser proposed the meetings to take place the third Thursday of the month before the Township Board Meetings at the office of The Woodlands Township. Chair Ann Snyder supported this proposal with time to be determined. Motion made by Carol Stromatt, seconded by Bruce Rieser to adopt the 2019 Meeting Dates. Motion passed unanimously.

7. 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;

Recessed to Executive Session at 3:10 p.m.

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

Reconvened to Public Session at 3:27 pm. The Committee took no action after Executive Session.

9. Receive, consider and act upon matters regarding The Waterway Arts District;

Nick Wolda presented examples of light pole banners around the Township with mock ups of the approved Waterway Arts District logo in various colors. The Township has access to light pole banners along the Waterway, Town Green Park and Waterway Square. Staff recommends placing banners on these areas. Nick Wolda will conduct a meeting with Howard Hughes regarding signage around the Township and will bring back an update next meeting. Motion made by Carol Stromatt, seconded by Bruce Rieser to grant Nick Wolda authorization to move forward with the Waterway Arts District banners. Motion passed unanimously.

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

The Committee discussed next meeting dates and decided to hold the next meetings on February 21 and March 21, 2019, each meeting at 4:30 p.m.

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

Committee considerations to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting include a report from Nick Wolda regarding the status of the Waterway Arts District banners.

12. Adjournment;

Motion made by Bruce Rieser, seconded by Ann Snyder to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 3:46 p.m.