

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HIDALGO
CITY OF MCALLEN**

The McAllen Board of Commissioners convened in a Special Joint Meeting on **Friday, May 15, 2020** at 9:00 am at City Commission Chambers at McAllen City Hall, 1300 Houston Avenue, McAllen, Texas.

Mayor Jim Darling, Commissioner Javier Villalobos, Commissioner Omar Quintanilla, Commissioner Victor "Seby" Haddad

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Veronica Whitacre, Commissioner Joaquin Zamora and Commissioner Tania Ramirez

Development Corporation: Director Reza Badiozzamani, Director Elva Cerda

Absent: Second Vice President – Trey Pebley

Staff: City Manager Roy Rodriguez, Assistant City Manager Michelle Rivera, City Attorney Kevin Pagan, City Secretary Perla Lara

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jim Darling called the meeting to order on behalf of the Development Corporation Board and the City Commission.

1. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON STIMULUS LOAN AND GRAN PROGRAM.

Staff briefly reviewed the statement of revenues and expenditures for the month ending April 30, 2020 for the Development Corporation. Comments and concerns were expressed by the Mayor and City Commission. A lengthy discussion ensued. Questions were asked relating to: 1) Financial Document Handouts, 2) Anticipated Loss of Income, 3) Negotiating Project Costs, 4) LIFTFund and Grant Component, 5) Overall Plan, 6) Terms / Options and 8) CIP Projects and Freezing the allocated projects that hadn't been initiated, 9) Request for a breakdown, 10) Having another meeting after this Special Joint Meeting and 11) Time Frame. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor, City Commission and Development Corporation Directors.

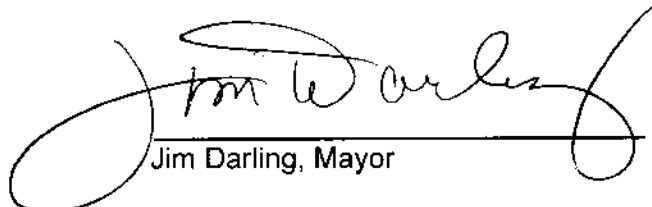
After due consideration, Commissioner Omar Quintanilla moved to approve the allocation of up to \$700,000.00 to LIFTFund to manage a loan program and up to \$300,000.00 to the Chamber of Commerce to administer a grant program and bring back a budget amendment in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 with \$700,000.00 coming back reimbursing CDBG as discussed. Director Elva Cerda seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

Commissioner Omar Quintanilla moved on behalf of the City Commission to approve the allocation of up to \$700,000.00 to LIFTFund to manage a loan program and up to \$300,000.00 to Chamber of Commerce to administer a grant program and bring back a budget amendment in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 with \$700,000.00 coming back reimbursing CDBG as discussed. Commissioner Victor "Seby" Haddad seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Development Corporation, Commissioner Omar Quintanilla moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 am. Director Elva Cerda seconded the motion

There being no other business to come before the Commission, Commissioner Omar Quintanilla moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 am. Commissioner Victor "Seby" Haddad seconded the motion


Jim Darling, Mayor

Attest:


Perla Lara, TRMC/CMC, CPM
City Secretary