

MINUTES OF MEETING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OCTOBER 4, 2021

Councilman Toby Clark opened the meeting and thanked all members and guests for attending. All Committee members were present, to include Councilwoman Evelyn Saldana, Councilman Toby Clark, Councilwoman Kim Richards, Andrew Fallon and Lynn Gauthier.

Councilman Clark announced that he has been going door-to-door presenting the Committee's possible projects to the residents to find out which are their favorites. He announced his findings for each category and said he was able to speak with 48 residents.

There was a discussion regarding the best way to get the survey questions answered. Ms. Richards stated she was intending to ask for Council approval for the cost of mailing the survey to all residents, but thinks Mr. Clark's door-to-door approach may be better. Andrew Fallon suggested that we deliver the survey to residents by leaving a door hanger on doors stated we will return to collect the survey in 3 or so days. For now, it was decided to continue with Mr. Clark's door-to-door surveying.

Ms. Richards stated she would like to see this Committee hold at least one small and inexpensive event before we lose the warm weather, suggesting a food truck, flea market, small festival, etc events. Ms. Saldana suggested a flea market with food trucks.

Mr. Clark suggested a Halloween event with candy and costumes. It was discussed that we don't want to interfere with any event the Community Center may be planning. Councilwoman Cook suggested having a "jumping house". Andrew Fallon suggested a pie contest. Ms. Richards stated that Paul Kabala, who was not present, has suggested a dog and cat show. Vivian Ridener suggested a chili cook-off and a bonfire.

We decided to have a small festival including several events. Dates were discussed and the fact that we need to not interfere with trick-or-treating. We decided to present the event to the Council at the October meeting on the 14th to obtain Council approval for the event then decided the date if we receive the approval.

The event will be held in the field next to City Hall. It will be a one day event scheduled for a Saturday and pushed to the day after on Sunday in the case of rain. Included in the festival will be a chili cook-off, a shave-ice truck, trunk-

or-treat, and a costume contest and a bonfire.. The event time will be 6:00 p.m. and we will start setting up at 5:00 p.m.

The costs of the festival was discussed. We decided we will need money for prizes for the two contests, candy, drinks, hotdogs and buns, plates/bowls, utensils napkins, hot chocolate and cups, and a banner sign to advertise the event. We will ask the Council for \$500 for the event. Mr. Clark will work on getting whatever permits are necessary for the bonfire. .

The Committee discussed the City purchasing a digital sign to be put in front of City Hall to advertise City events and meetings. Mr. Clark will bring up the idea to the Council.

This Committee will meet again this month on Monday, October 18, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Councilwoman Richards made a Motion to accept Jerry Embry as a member of this Committee, which was seconded by Councilman Clark, and all members agreed to accept Jerry Embry as a member of the Committee.

Mr. Clark closed the meeting.