

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD OF THE CITY OF SACHSE
MAY 15, 2025, MEETING MINUTES**

The Economic Development Corporation Board of the City of Sachse held a regular meeting on Thursday, May 15, 2025, at 6:00 PM at Sachse City Hall, 3815-B Sachse Road. Those present were: Scott McMurdie, Chinelo Nwanze, Alan Bell, Christopher Decker, Joshua Frick, Ashley Holley.

Those absent were: Krisleigh Hoermann.

A. Meeting Opening

1. Call to Order: The Economic Development Corporation Board of the City of Sachse will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, May 15, 2025, at 6:00 PM to consider the following items of business:

President McMurdie called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

2. Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance.

Mr. Frick offered the invocation and led the pledges.

B. Public Comment

The public is invited to address the Board regarding any topic not already on the agenda for action or public hearing. **Comments regarding the Consent Agenda or any discussion-only items on the agenda may be addressed during this Public Comment section.** The time limit is three minutes per speaker. A Public Comment Card should be presented to the acting secretary prior to the meeting. According to the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Board is prohibited from discussing any item not posted on the agenda but will take comments under advisement.

No public comments were offered.

C. Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda items are routine or administrative in nature, have been discussed previously at a Board meeting, and/or do not warrant discussion. The Board will act upon these items with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member requests the item be removed from the consent agenda. **If you have comments related to items on the Consent Agenda, please address them in the Public Comment section of the meeting.**

1. Approve the April 17, 2025, meeting minutes.
2. Accept the monthly revenue and expenditure report for the period ending March 31, 2025.

Mr. Bell made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Decker seconded the motion, and it carried 5 - 0. None voted against.

D. Action Items

Action items are for Board discussion and consideration for action. **The presiding officer will invite comments before the Board votes.** A Public Comment Card should be given to the acting secretary prior to the start of the meeting.

1. Conduct a public hearing for an infrastructure project generally located along Ranch Road and Hwy 78, for Project Yellowstone, in Sachse, Texas.

Mr. Potts noted that the public hearing is being held for an incentive that was approved for an

infrastructure project near J.K. Sachse Park. The project included a zoning change component and the EDC contribution was contingent on this project receiving a zoning change.

Mr. McMurdie opened the public hearing at 6:07 PM. Mr. McMurdie closed the public hearing at 6:08 PM.

No action was taken.

2. Consider the Sachse comprehensive plan, Shaping Sachse.

Mr. Potts provided a high-level overview of the draft Comprehensive Plan highlighting community input, the Future Land Use Plan, housing and neighborhoods, economic development, and mobility. Recommendations included updating the Parks, Trails, and Recreation Master Plan, and evaluating infrastructure needs.

Chinelo Nwanze arrived at 6:19

An implementation matrix was highlighted as a tool for guiding action and accountability. Staff noted that the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the Shaping Sachse Comprehensive Plan at its meeting held on May 12, 2025. Staff requested a recommendation from the EDC Board in advance of City Council holding a public hearing and taking final action on the plan on May 19.

Mr. Frick made a motion to approve the comprehensive plan. Ms. Nwanze seconded the motion, and it carried 6 - 0. None voted against.

3. Consider authorizing the Executive Director of the Sachse Economic Development Corporation (EDC) to negotiate and enter into a contract with Civic Solutions Partnership LLC for the development of an economic development strategic plan, in the amount not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$150,000.00).

Mr. Potts provided an update on the request for qualification process for the strategic plan, mentioning that staff is recommending Civic Solutions Partnership LLC for the project and noting their relevant experience and strong credentials. The strategic plan will complement the Comprehensive Plan, leverage prior research, and ensure alignment. Following EDC action, the City Council will take action at a future meeting to authorize staff to negotiate and enter into the contract.

Ms. Nwanze made a motion to approve the item as presented. Mr. Bell seconded the motion, and it carried 6 - 0. None voted against.

Note: Mr. Frick's vote did not register on the screen during the vote. However, he verbally voted for the motion and that is reflected in this vote.

E. Discussion Items

These items are for the Board and staff to discuss as needed. **Comments on Discussion Items should be addressed in the Public Comment Section of this meeting.**

1. Receive any reports and presentations by the Sachse Economic Development Corporation President, Board Members, Executive Director, and staff regarding items of community interest; special events; announcements and activities; office, industrial, commercial, or retail business retention; and marketing projects.

Ms. Lewis gave a brief update on the Taste of Sachse event and Mr. Potts spoke about the

business appreciation breakfast that was held earlier in the day on May 15. Mr. Potts mentioned the next Farmers Market will be on June 14, and the next EDC Board meeting will be on June 26.

2. Recognize the Sachse Economic Development team for receiving the 2024 Economic Excellence Achievement Recognition from the Texas Economic Development Council.

Mr. Potts recognized the Sachse Economic Development team for receiving 2024 Economic Excellence Recognition from the Texas Economic Development Council, marking the fourth consecutive year of this honor.


3. Discuss and provide early input regarding the fiscal year 2025-2026 Economic Development Corporation (EDC) budget.

Mr. Potts reflected on the FY24-25 budget year and looked ahead to FY25-26. Mr. Potts provided the draft budget calendar, noting the budget will continue to be refined and then brought back to the EDC Board at future meetings for their consideration.

The Board discussed opportunities for the 5th Street District and budgeting for incentives.

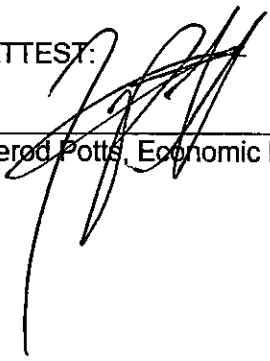
F. Adjournment

President McMurdie adjourned the meeting at 7:19 PM.



Scott McMurdie, President

ATTEST:



Jerod Potts, Economic Development Director