

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (EDC) AGENDA SPECIAL MEETING VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE | APRIL 13, 2020 AT 6:00 PM

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I. CALL TO ORDER

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II. ROLL CALL

III. DECISION ITEMS

- A. Discuss, consider, and provide staff direction regarding an economic assistance grant or loan program for local small businesses relating to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and the City's local disaster declaration
- B. Discuss, consider, and provide staff direction regarding a potential plan to provide rent relief to tenants of EDC-owned properties

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to the March 16, 2020 Proclamation issued by Governor Abbott suspending various provisions of Chapter 551, VTCA, Government Code, the public may join this remote meeting of the EDC via videoconference and/or teleconference. The President and Board will also be participating remotely in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act and under provisions provided by the Governor in conjunction with the Declaration of Disaster enacted March 13, 2020. Virtual meetings are aimed at advancing social distancing by limiting in-person interaction to slow the spread of COVID-19. If you should have questions, please contact the City Secretary at 817-985-2104 or citysecretary@cityofkennedale.com.

CERTIFICATION

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE APRIL 13, 2020 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (EDC) AGENDA WAS POSTED INSIDE THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF CITY HALL (405 MUNICIPAL DRIVE), IN A PLACE CONVENIENT AND READILY ACCESSIBLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AT ALL TIMES; AND THAT SAID AGENDA WAS POSTED AT LEAST SEVENTY-TWO (72) HOURS PRECEDING THE SCHEDULED TIME OF SAID MEETING, IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 551 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE.



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POSTED _____ (DATE) _____ (TIME)

MEETING DATE: APRIL 13, 2020

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION ITEM III.A.

SUBJECT

Discuss, consider, and provide staff direction regarding an economic assistance grant or loan program for local small businesses relating to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and the City's local disaster declaration

ORIGINATED BY

George Campbell, City Manager

SUMMARY

This item is posted so that the Board may engage in general discussion and provide direction to staff regarding the development of an assistance program benefiting local businesses who may have been negatively impacted as a direct result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

The draft plan for such a program (which was provided to the City Council before the March 31, 2020 meeting) is attached for your reference. The Council will, again, be discussing such a potential program at their special meeting tomorrow, Tuesday, April 14, at 5:00 p.m.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff would respectfully request direction from the Board regarding the development of such a program.

ATTACHMENTS

1.	Outline for EDC Grants 032720	Outline for EDC Grants 032720.docx
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Kennedale Business/Employment Retention Grant Program

Eligibility Requirements/Guidelines:

- **Retail or Service** business with ten (10) or fewer full time or part time employees on March 24, 2020
- Primary physical business address must be in Kennedale, Texas
- Must be current on City taxes through 2019
- Must be considered a non-essential business (required to be closed to the public) during period of Local Disaster Declaration by either Tarrant County or the City of Kennedale. In-dining restaurants that are providing take-out and curb-side service are eligible.
- Businesses closed temporarily by local disaster declarations must provide evidence of intent to re-open when such restrictions are removed.

Eligible Grant Benefits:

- Maximum grant is \$25,000
- Grants may be used for:
 - Rent (including debt payments)
 - Salaries
 - Business operations including utilities
 - Inventory maintenance

Grant Options:

- **Option 1 – EDC Grant**
 - One-time grant
 - Performance Agreement required
 - Job retention or creation
 - Capital investment
- **Option 2 – Chapter 380 Grant (by the City)**
 - One-time grant

Grant Process:

- Application must be made on form provided by the City's Planning/Economic Development Department.

- Applications will be reviewed and evaluated by a seven (7) member Screening/Selection Committee, appointed by the Mayor, including:
 - Mayor
 - City Council Member
 - City Manager/Exec. Director of EDC
 - Director of Planning and Economic Development
 - Finance Director
 - Chair of EDC Board
 - Chamber of Commerce Board Member

- Screening/Selection Committee will evaluate applications on a weighed criteria/guideline basis and make a recommendation for funding to the City Council and/or EDC Board as appropriate
- The Committee, Council or EDC may exempt applicants of criteria/guideline requirements at their discretion.
- No applicant has an entitlement to a grant and the decision of the City Council is final.



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STAFF REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Date: April 13, 2020

Agenda Item No: DECISION ITEMS - B.

I. Subject:

Discuss, consider, and provide staff direction regarding a potential plan to provide rent relief to tenants of EDC-owned properties

II. Summary:

Staff respectfully requests input from the EDC board regarding the possibility of providing some amount of rent relief to the current tenants of any EDC-owned properties.

III. Recommendation:

IV. Alternative Actions:

V. Attachments: