

**State of Texas**  
**County of Waller**  
**City of Hempstead**

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November 2022, at 6:00 P.M., the Type A and Type B Board of Directors of the Hempstead Economic Development Corporation of the City of Hempstead met in special joint Session at the City of Hempstead, at 745 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Hempstead, Texas.

The minutes will be made available to the public, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, upon written request.

The HEDC meeting Agenda is available online, on the City of Hempstead website, at [www.hempsteadcitytx.com](http://www.hempsteadcitytx.com).

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| Willie Ray Gooden, Sr  | 4A | President      | Present |
| Overton Stewart        | 4A | Vice President | Present |
| Cheryl Hardwick        | 4A | Secretary      | Present |
| Sherion Grant          | 4A | Treasurer      | Present |
| Jackie S. Jackson, Sr. | 4A | Member         | Absent  |
| Mildred Jefferson      | 4B | Treasurer      | Present |
| Annette Baker          | 4B | Member         | Present |
| Raul Villarreal        | 4B | Member         | Present |
| Anthony Alvarez        | 4B | Vice President | Absent  |
| Phil Richey            | 4B | Secretary      | Present |
| Elizabeth Ayala        | 4B | Member         | Present |
| Mayor Erica Gillum     | 4B | President      | Present |

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Willie Ray Gooden, Sr. at 6:02 P.M.

2. Public Comments

No public comments.

3. Comments were given by Phil Richey on the recent EDC issues that were action items approved by the Hempstead City Council before the EDC board met to discuss them. The comments were about the proper EDC budgeting and their expensing process. Phil Richey wants a clear understanding of the HEDC Admin duties, with the HEDC, and with the City of Hempstead. Mr. Richey claimed there was not a discussion established with the HEDC Board Members on certain decisions that went through the City Council Board. Mayor Erica Gillum commented to Phil Richey that decisions were made through board members and the Hempstead City Council meeting.

4. Consideration and approval of the minutes dated October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

President Willie Ray Gooden stated minutes dated October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022, line item 3 was incorrect, line item #3 stated "A motion was made by Board Member Phil Richey and a second by Board Member Cheryl Hardwick cameras be installed at the EDC building. A vote was taken, and the motion carried". President Willie Ray Gooden, Sr. stated that we adopt the changes of the minutes dated October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022, line item 3 be changed to table to next HEDC meeting. Phil Richey made a motion to accept the minutes and a second was made by Raul Villarreal. A vote was taken, and the motion carried was unanimously.

President Willie Ray Gooden, Sr. stated that we adopt the October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022, minutes. Mildred Jefferson made a motion to accept the minutes and a second was made by Annette Baker. A vote was taken, and the motion was carried unanimously.

5. Consideration and approval of paying the monthly bills.  
A motion was made by Raul Villarreal that we approval the payment of the monthly bills and a second was made by Mildred Jefferson. A vote was taken, and the motion was carried unanimously.
6. Discussion and Possible Action on the Terms for each Director for the Type A Corporation.  
Position 1: Cheryl Hardwick  
Position 2: Overton Stewart  
Position 3: Sherion Grant  
Position 4: Willie Ray Gooden, Sr.  
Position 5: Jackie S. Jackson, Sr.  
Cheryl Hardwick made a motion to accept the Type A recommendations and a second was made by Overton Stewart. A vote was taken, and the motion was carried unanimously.
7. Discussion and possible action on the Terms for each Director for the Type B Corporation.  
Position 1: Raul Villarreal  
Position 2: Mildred Jefferson  
Position 3: Annette Baker  
Position 4: Elizabeth Ayala  
Position 5: Anthony Alvarez  
Position 6: Phil Richey  
Position 7: Mayor Erica Gillum  
Phil Richey made a motion to accept the Type B recommendations and a second was made by Mayor Erica Gillum. A vote was taken, and the motion was carried unanimously.
8. Discussion Regarding Type A and Type B Corporations Officers Duties as Described in the Bylaws of the Type A and Type B Corporations.  
The City of Hempstead Attorney, Art Pertile, discussed that every board member will receive an email with the bylaws and the statue. Training will be down with a power presentation for each member. Mr. Pertile continued explaining to the board the different projects for the Type A and Type B Corporations.
9. Consideration and Action on the Election of Officers for Type B Consideration.

President: Mayor Erica Gillum. A motion was made by Mildred Jefferson and a second was made by Elizabeth Ayala. A vote was taken, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Vice President: Anthony Alvarez. A motion was made by Phil Richey and a second was made by Annette Baker. A vote was taken, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Secretary: Phil Richey. A motion was made by Mildred Jefferson and a second was made by Elizabeth Ayala. A vote was taken, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Treasurer: Mildred Jefferson. A motion was made by Annette Baker and a second was made by Phil Richey. A vote was taken, and the motion was carried unanimously.

10. Consideration and Action on Election of Officers for Type A Corporation.

President: Willie Ray Gooden, Sr. A motion was made by Overton Stewart and a second was made by Cheryl Hardwick. A vote was taken, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Vice President: Overton Stewart. A motion was made by Willie Ray Gooden, Sr. and a second was made by Sherion Grant. A vote was taken, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Secretary: Cheryl Hardwick. A motion was made by Overton Stewart and a second by Willie Ray Gooden, Sr. A vote was taken, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Treasurer: Sherion Grant. A motion was made by Overton Stewart and a second by Cheryl Hardwick. A vote was taken, and the motion was carried unanimously.

11. A: A Public Hearing of the Board of Directors of the Hempstead Economic Development Type B Corporation approving as a project of the corporation planters and park benches; for promotion of new expanded business development and open space improvements:  
The public hearing opened at 7:16 P.M.

B: Consideration and action on a resolution of the board of directors of the Hempstead Economic Development B Corporation approving as a project of the corporation planters and park benches; for promotion of new and expanded business development and open space improvements.

Open comment from Judith Richey, proposing to the Prairie View A & M University Architecture Department to take on a project for the Hempstead downtown improvement over park benches and planters.

No action was taken, and the public hearing closed at 7:27 P.M.

12. Recommendations for Approval of the HEDC Purchase and Installation of Security Cameras at the HEDC Building located at 745 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Hempstead, Texas 77445, and authorizing the budget amendment.

EDC Type A Board: A motion was made by Overton Stewart and a second was made by Cheryl Hardwick. A vote was taken, and the motion was carried unanimously.

13. Presentation and Discussion by Amanda Tompkins with Global Trade Industry.

Amanda Tompkins suggested that the Hempstead EDC get a brand development with these items: A logo, website, facelift, start from scratch, go to Web Master, business cards, taglines, attend trade shows, and with response and welcome packets.

14. Closed Meeting.

The EDC closed meeting opened at 8:01 P.M. by President Willie Ray Gooden, Sr.

The EDC open meeting was opened back up at 8:54 P.M. by Mayor Erica Gillum.

15. Consideration and Action on Matters Discussed in Executive Session.

EDC Type A: A motion was made by Overton Stewart to hire Mr. Clarence Landry as the new director of the Hempstead Economic Development Corporation and a second was made by Sherion Grant. Three in favor, Overton Stewart, Sherion Grant, and Willie Ray Gooden, Sr. Cheryl Hardwick opposed the motion.

EDC Type B: A motion was made by Annette Baker to hire Mr. Clarence Landry as the new director of the Hempstead Economic Development Corporation and a second was made by Mildred Jefferson. Three in favor, Annette Baker, Mildred Jefferson, and Mayor Erica Gillum. Phil Richey and Raul Villarreal opposed the motion.

16. Adjournment.

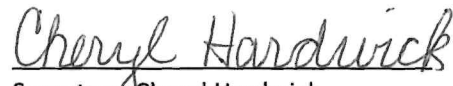
The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 P.M.

EDC Type A: A motion was made by Willie Ray Gooden and a second by Overton Stewart that we adjourn.

EDC Type B: A motion was made by Mayor Erica Gillum and a second by Mildred Jefferson that we adjourn.

**PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 12<sup>TH</sup> Day of December 2022.**

  
President, Willie Ray Gooden, Sr. EDC Type A

  
Secretary, Cheryl Hardwick

  
President, Mayor Erica Gillum EDC Type B

  
Secretary, Phil Richey