

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF WALLER  
CITY OF HEMPSTEAD**

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that on the 8th day of January 2024 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 joint session at the Hempstead City Hall, 1125 Austin Street, Hempstead, Texas.

The Open Meetings Act will make the minutes available to the public upon written request.

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

Mayor Erica Gillum	4B President	Present
Mildred Jefferson	4B Treasurer	Present
Rosa DeLoera	4B Member	Absent
Brad Austin	4B Vice President	Present
Z’aundria Warren	4A Treasurer	Present
Soraya Rodriguez	4A Secretary	Present
Jackie Jackson	4A Member	Absent
Overton Stewart	4A Vice President	Present
Kenneth Pilcher	4B Member	Present
Brent Rystrom	4A President	Absent
N/A	4B Secretary	Open Position
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Also in attendance are HEDC Administrative Assistant Lilliana Rodriguez, City Attorney Mary Ann Powell, and the Chief of Operations, Kollye Kilpatrick.

1. Call to order. Type B President Erica Gillum called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.
2. Public Comments. No Public Comments.
3. Discussion and action on minutes dated December 11, 2023. Type A: Z’aundria Warren approved the minutes, seconded by Soraya Rodriguez. All in favor, the motion carried.  
  
Type B: Kenneth Pilcher's motion to approve the minutes seconded by Brad Austin. All in favor, the motion carried.

4. Discussion and action on paying the monthly bills. Type A: Z'aundria Warren motioned to pay the monthly bills, seconded by Soraya Rodriguez. All in favor, the motion carried.
- Type B: Kenneth Pilcher motioned to pay the monthly bills, seconded by Mildred Jefferson. All in favor, the motion carried.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

The Hempstead Economic Development Corporation reserves the right to adjourn into an Executive Session with respect to an agenda item authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.074-Personnel Matters to wit: Deliberation of the employment of an Economic Development Director and to take action in open session on such item from the Executive Session as needed. Type B President Erica Gillum called the meeting into closed session at 6:07 p.m. The meeting went into an open session at 7:17 p.m.



No action was taken.

### **OPEN SESSION**

5. Consideration and action on hiring Dr. Ramiro Bautista as the Hempstead Economic Development Director. Type A: Z'aundria Warren motioned to hire Dr. Ramiro Bautista as the Hempstead Economic Development Corporation, seconded by Soraya Rodriguez. All the favor, the motion carried as a recommendation to the City Council. Type B: Kenneth Pilcher motioned to hire Dr. Ramiro Bautista as the Hempstead Economic Development Corporation, seconded by Brad Austin. All the favor, the motion carried as a recommendation to the City Council.

6. Adjourn

Type A: Soraya Rodriguez motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m., seconded by Z'aundria Warren. All in favor, the motion carried. Type B: Kenneth Pilcher motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m., seconded by Brad Austin. All in favor, the motion carried.

Type A President:   
Type B President:   
Type A Secretary: 