

**MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE
LA PORTE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY and
LA PORTE TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

June 13, 2024

DETERMINE QUORUM; CALL TO ORDER.

The Board of Directors of the La Porte Redevelopment Authority, City of La Porte, Texas, and La Porte Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone, held a regular joint meeting, open to the public, on Thursday, June 13, 2024, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 604 West Fairmont Parkway, La Porte, Texas, and the roll was called of the duly appointed members of the Board, to-wit:

Position 1	Peggy Antone, <i>Secretary</i>	Position 6	Mark Goodwin, <i>Vice-Chairman</i>
Position 2	Barry Beasley	Position 7	Rick Helton
Position 3	Alton Porter	Position 8	David Janda, <i>Chairman</i>
Position 4	Kent Rimmel	Position 9	Kristen Lee, <i>Asst. Secretary</i>
Position 5	Nicole Havard		

and all of the above were present, with the exception of Directors Beasley, Porter, Rimmel and Helton, thus constituting a quorum. Also present were David Hawes, Naina Magon and Linda Clayton, Hawes Hill & Associates, LLP; Josh Huber, BlankRome; Corby Alexander, Matt Daeumer, Haley Bower and Sherry Rodriguez, City of La Porte; Taylor Risien, Gauge Engineering; Mercy and Joe Estrada; and David Williams. Chairman Janda called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS.

There were no public comments.

CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, TO CONDUCT A PRIVATE CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY REGARDING PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION.

The Board convened into Executive Session at 6:32 p.m.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND AUTHORIZE APPROPRIATE ACTIONS REGARDING PRIVATE CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY.

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 6:42 p.m. Upon reconvening, no action was taken.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JOINT LA PORTE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND LA PORTE TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE MEETING HELD MAY 9, 2024.

Upon a motion made by Director Goodwin, and seconded by Director Lee, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of the May 9, 2024, Board meeting, as presented.

RECEIVE UPDATE AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM:

- a. **Receive updates and recommendations from Gauge Engineering.**
 - i. **Feasibility Study**

Mr. Risien provided an update on the feasibility study and answered questions. He reported site visits were conducted last Friday for potential infrastructure and pedestrian/trail improvement

projects. Director Antone provided additional information to be included in the study for an 11-acre tract of land for Taylor Bayou Conservancy to include a trail system to protect the natural woodland, wetlands, and wildlife. No action from the Board was required.

ii. Lakes at Fairmont Green

Mr. Risien reported Gauge Engineering will be conducting field visits to gather information to provide recommendations for improvements. No action from the Board was required.

iii. M. Street Improvements

Mr. Risien provided an update on the M Street Improvements project, a copy of the progress report is included in the Board materials.

1. Consider Pay Application No. 3, M Street Improvements, from Carter Construction LLC.

Mr. Risien reviewed Pay Application No. 3, M Street Improvements, from Carter Construction LLC in the amount of \$451,604.25. He reported he has reviewed the pay application and concurs with the amount and quantities and is recommending for approval. Upon a motion made by Director Havard, and seconded by Director Goodwin, the Board voted unanimously to approve Pay Application No. 3, M Street Improvements, from Carter Construction LLC in the amount of \$451,604.25, as presented.

RECEIVE BOOKKEEPER'S REPORT AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OR OTHER ACTION REGARDING AUTHORITY INVOICES.

Ms. Magon presented the bookkeeper's report and review of invoices for payment. An additional invoice was received after the report was generated from BlankRome in the amount of \$1,054.52 and staff requested approval to pay. Upon a motion made by Director Antone, and seconded by Director Lee, the Board voted unanimously to accept the Bookkeeper's Report and approved payment of invoices, as presented, including the BlankRome invoice in the amount of \$1,054.52.

RECEIVE UPDATES FROM THE CITY, DEVELOPERS, AND STAFF ABOUT DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE ZONE.

None.


BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS.

- a. Matters appearing on agenda; and**
- b. Inquiry of staff regarding specific factual information or existing policy.**

Ms. Magon reported staff is working with the County to extend the County's participation. No action from the Board was required.

ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Janda adjourned the meeting at 6:53 p.m.


Secretary