

Bastrop Economic Development Corporation
Board of Directors – Meeting Minutes
February 9, 2026



The Bastrop Economic Development Corporation (BEDC) met on Monday, February 9, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. for a Regular Board Meeting at Bastrop City Hall, 1311 Chestnut Street. Board members present: Gary Blake, Chris McCool, Mayor Ishmael Harris, Mayor Pro-Tem John Kirkland, and Councilmember Cynthia Meyer. Staff members present: Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino, Interim Executive Director, and Angela Ryan.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Board Chair Gary Blake called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT(S)** – There were no public comments.
3. **DIRECTOR'S UPDATES:**

1) BEDC staff update – Ms. Carrillo reported that Dr. Jill Strube had been hired to fill the open position at the BEDC. She will start on March 5th.

2) Update on regional economic development organization – Ms. Carrillo said there will be a meeting on February 12th to discuss the concept, bylaws, financials, etc. She encouraged the Board to read the documents provided and consider attending the meeting.

4. **REGULAR BUSINESS**

4.A. Hold a Public Hearing for the purpose of providing the general public with information concerning a proposed economic development project and associated expenditure being considered by the BEDC, and for receiving public input regarding same, as follows: Pursuant to LGC Section 505.158, the BEDC is proposing to expend Type B economic development funds to fund the purchase of property at 804 Water Street in partnership with the City to develop a downtown parking garage with associated retail space.

The Public Hearing was opened at 5:05. There were no comments, and the Public Hearing was closed at 5:06.

4.B. Consider and act on BEDC Resolution 2026-02 authorizing the expenditure of funds for the purchase of real property for a parking garage and associated retail space in an amount not to exceed Five Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$525,000.00); authorizing negotiations of necessary documents; repealing all resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date. Councilmember Meyer made the motion to approve the resolution, Mr. McCool seconded, and the motion passed.

4.C. Consider and act on BEDC Resolution 2026-03 approving a funding agreement between the Bastrop Economic Development Corporation and the City of Bastrop for purchase of 804 Water

Street. Mr. McCool made the motion to approve the resolution, Mayor Harris seconded, and the motion passed.

5. **ADJOURNMENT** – Mayor Pro-Tem Kirkland made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Mayor Harris seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

APPROVED: 
Gary Blake, Board Chair

ATTEST: 
Angela Ryan, Operations Manager