

# **City of Rio Communities Economic Development Meeting**

City Council Chambers - 360 Rio Communities Blvd Rio Communities, NM 87002 Wednesday, August 11, 2021 10:00 AM Minutes

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#### Call to Order

Chairman Kuan Tikkun called to order the Economic Development Commission meeting at 10:02 a.m.

# Pledge of Allegiance

o Mr. Frank Logan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Roll Call**

- o Present- Chairman Kuan Tikkun, Vice-chair Loedi Silva, and Frank Logan
- Absent Secretary Fran Rossberg
- Present- City Manager Dr. Martin Moore and Deputy Clerk Amy Lopez

# Approval of Agenda for August 11, 2021

Mr. Logan made a motion to approve the agenda for August 11, 2021. Vice-chair Silva seconded the motion. Vote: Chairman Kuan Tikkun – yes; Vice-chair Loedi Silva; Frank Logan – yes. With a 3-0 vote the agenda for August 11, 2021 Economic Development meeting was approved.

#### Approval of Meeting Minutes from July 28, 2021

Mr. Logan made a motion to approve the Economic Development Meeting Minutes from July 28, 2021. Vice-chair Silva seconded the motion. Vote: Chairman Kuan Tikkun – yes; Vice-chair Loedi Silva; Frank Logan – yes. With a 3-0 vote the Economic Development Meeting Minutes from July 28, 2021 was approved as written.

### Discussion, Consideration, and Decision – Economic Development Commission Election

- Chair Tikkun began a discussion regarding differences between officer and commissioner terms.
- Chair Tikkun opened the floor for a nomination for Chairman of Economic Development.
- Mr. Logan nominated Kuan Tikkun to serve another one-year term as Chairman of EDC. Vice-chair Loedi Silva seconded the motion. Vote: Chairman Kuan Tikkun yes; Vice-chair Loedi Silva- yes; Frank Logan yes. With a 3-0 vote the motion for Kuan Tikkun to remain Chairman was approved.
- Chair Tikkun opened the floor for a nomination for Vice-chairman of Economic Development Commission.
- Mr. Logan nominated Loedi Silva to remain Vice-chair of Economic Development Commission. Chair Tikkun seconded. Vote: Chairman Kuan Tikkun – yes; Vice-chair Loedi Silva- yes; Frank Logan – yes.
   With a 3-0 vote the motion for Loedi Silva to remain Vice-chair was approved.
- Chair Tikkun opened the floor for a nomination for Secretary of Economic Development Commission.
- Mr. Logan nominated Fran Rossberg to remain Secretary of Economic Development Commission.
   Vice-chair Silva seconded. Vote: Chairman Kuan Tikkun yes; Vice-chair Loedi Silva- yes; Frank
   Logan yes. With a 3-0 vote the motion for Fran Rossberg to remain Secretary was approved.

#### Discussion, Consideration, and Decision – Update on Digital Brochure

- Mr. Logan said he understand that his part is the new photographs for the brochure and mentioned the weather has not cooperated and the river has no water and will take pictures as soon as he is able to.
- The Commission continued the discussion on photographs, with goals of obtaining Tierra del Sol, the river, the fire station, and the bridge.
- Chair Tikkun asked if a map of the sewer and water line availability was available.
- City Manager Moore said we can add the name of the water company and that broadband is available; not much more than that is required. The discussion continued.
- Chair Tikkun mentioned the Railrunner website will be added.

## Discussion – Update on Special Council Meeting with EDC on July 28, 2021

- Chair Tikkun said they were able to get a little farther with the agenda for the business forum and at the August 25, 2021 meeting will get an RSVP letter ready to be sent out to the businesses. She then said she would like a list of what kind of information EDC would be trying to get from the businesses.
- Mr. Logan said he does not know how many of the same questions we want to ask of the same people, we won't get different answers.
- Chair Tikkun asked how the progress of the library is coming because she would like to show the businesses while they are here.
- City Manager Dr. Moore said the build will be finished next week and we are hoping to be open by September.
- Chair Tikkun asked City Manager Dr. Moore about a graphic artist for brochure.
- City Manager Dr. Moore said he will be asking AED and NM Partnership for cost free help, but if they cannot provide that, they will at least have some recommendations. He then said he can try to have answers for the Commission by next meeting.
- Chair Tikkun began a discussion about potential commercial, residential, and retail sites.

#### **Discussion – MRCOG Map Update**

- Chair Tikkun asked for an update on the MRCOG map.
- City Manager Dr. Moore said the bottom boundaries of Rio Communities should read Playa Estates and Rio Grande Stable Road. The discussion continued.
- City Manager Dr. Moore said he asked MRCOG to highlight road names and include Escobar.

#### **Public Comment:**

• No comments were made.

#### **General Commission Discussion/Future Agenda Items**

- Chair Tikkun began a discussion and explanation of the meeting on October 13, 2021 as an
  invitation from Garth Tallman to represent Rio Communities at a retiree convention and asked to
  have it added to the September 22 agenda as a notice of quorum rather than a meeting.
- Chair Tikkun presented agenda items for August 25<sup>th</sup>: Business Forum Memo, MRCOG Map Update, Digital Brochure Update, Establish Industrial Zone within City Limits.
- Chair Tikkun said there will be an AED meeting by zoom on August 20<sup>th</sup> from 10-11. She then said she looked under ABQsites.com and she has not found what she was looking for but found a 3.5hour tutorial on how to use the website.

- Mr. Logan said he found that a 6' banner for the event with Garth Tallman is \$60. He then
  explained there will be a clean-up on Hwy 47 with the Founders group on September 24th from 810 and will meet in front of City Hall.
- Chair Tikkun asked when we would be able to get the banner.
- Mr. Logan explained we would have to go through procurement, but it won't take long to create and began a discussion.
- Vice-chair Silva asked what website would be used on the banner, the City's or EDC's.
- Mr. Logan said we already have one with the City's website and began a discussion.
- Chair Tikkun said she would find out about booth sizes and asked if there were stands to hang it on.
   The discussion continued.
- Vice-chair Silva asked if the event has a name.
- Chair Tikkun said she believes the event is called Prime Time and is for retirees.
- Chair Tikkun mentioned RCAN is going to meet on the 19<sup>th</sup>, and it will be decided how to reorganize or if it will close.

## Adjourn

• Vice-chair Silva made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Logan second the motion and the meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m. with a 3-0 vote.

Respectfully submitted,	
Amy L. Lopez, Deputy Clerk	
	Approved:
Kuan Tikkun, Chairman	Loedi Silva, Vice Chairman
Fran Rossberg, Secretary	Frank Logan
Date:	