

Wylie Economic Development Corporation

Regular Meeting

April 21, 2021 – 8:30 a.m.

Council Conference Room - 300 Country Club Road, Building #100, Wylie, TX 75098



CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Any member of the public may address the Wylie EDC Board regarding an item that is not listed on the Agenda. Members of the public must fill out a form prior to the meeting in order to speak. Wylie EDC requests that comments be limited to three minutes for an individual, six minutes for a group. In addition, the Wylie EDC is not allowed to converse, deliberate or take action on any matter presented during citizen participation.

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Wylie EDC and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

- A. Consider and act upon approval of Minutes from the March 31, 2021 Regular Meeting and April 5, 2021 Special Called Meeting of the WEDC Board of Directors.
- B. Consider and act upon approval of the March 2021 WEDC Treasurer's Report.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Staff report: WEDC Property Update, WEDC Office/Insurance Claim, Engineering Report, FY21 Budget Process, Upcoming Events, and WEDC Activities/Programs.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Sec. 551.072. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY; CLOSED MEETING.

- ES1. Consider the sale or acquisition of properties located at FM 544 and Cooper, Jackson and Oak, Regency and Steel, State Hwy 78 and Alanis, State Hwy 78 and Birmingham, State Hwy 78 and Brown.

Sec. 551.087. DELIBERATION REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS; CLOSED MEETING.

- ES2. Deliberation regarding commercial or financial information that the WEDC has received from a business prospect and to discuss the offer of incentives for Projects: 2017-10a, 2018-9b, 2020-11b, 2021-1f, 2021-2a, 2021-2b, 2021-4a and 2021-4b.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

Take any action as a result from Executive Session.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

I certify that this Notice of Meeting was posted on April 16, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. on the outside bulletin board at Wylie City Hall, 300 Country Club Road, Building 100, Wylie, Texas, a place convenient and readily accessible to the public at all times.

Stephanie Storm, City Secretary

Date Notice Removed

The Wylie Municipal Complex is wheelchair accessible. Sign interpretation or other special assistance for disabled attendees must be requested 48 hours in advance by contacting the City Secretary's Office at 972-516-6020. Hearing impaired devices are available from the City Secretary prior to each meeting.

If during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, the WEDC should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Corporation or a consultation with the attorney for the City should be held or is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session or consultation with attorney as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code § 551.001 et. seq., will be held by the WEDC at the date, hour and place given in this notice as the WEDC may conveniently meet in such closed or executive meeting or session or consult with the attorney for the City concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by the Act, including, but not limited to, the following sanctions and purposes:

Texas Government Code Section:

- § 551.071 – Private consultation with an attorney for the City.
- § 551.072 – Discussing purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.
- § 551.073 – Discussing prospective gift or donation to the City.
- § 551.074 – Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel.
- § 551.076 – Discussing deployment of security personnel or devices or security audit.
- § 551.087 – Discussing certain economic development matters.

Minutes
Wylie Economic Development Corporation
Board of Directors Meeting
March 31, 2021 – 8:30 A.M.
300 Country Club Road, Building #100
Wylie, TX 75098

CALL TO ORDER

Announce the presence of a Quorum

Vice President John Yeager called the regular meeting to order at 8:33 a.m. Board Members present were Melisa Whitehead, Gino Mulliqi, and Tim Gilchrist. President Dawkins arrived at 8:43 a.m.

Ex-Officio Members Mayor Matthew Porter and City Manager Chris Holsted were present.

WEDC staff present included Executive Director Jason Greiner, BRE Director Angel Wygant, and Senior Assistant Rachael Hermes.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice President John Yeager gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

With no citizen participation, Vice President Yeager moved to Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the WEDC Board of Directors and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

- A. Consider and act upon approval of Minutes from the March 3, 2021 Regular Meeting of the WEDC Board of Directors.**
- B. Consider and act upon approval of the February 2021 WEDC Treasurer's Report.**

Board Action

A motion was made by Melisa Whitehead, seconded by Tim Gilchrist, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. A vote was taken, and the motion passed 4-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

President Dawkins arrived at 8:43 a.m. during discussion of this Item.

- 1. Consider and act upon a Temporary Access Agreement between the WEDC, First Baptist Church Wylie, and Chute 2 Productions.**

Staff Comments

Staff noted the proposed Temporary Access Agreement for the use of a rodeo at 303 E Marble and the overall intent of creating a process for temporary access of Wylie EDC-owned property. City Manager Chris Holsted discussed his conversation with First Baptist Church and the insurance certificates that were provided by both the church and the rodeo vendor. The Board discussed the certificate limits detailed within the Agreement versus the certificates provided and evaluated appropriate limits for the specific use of a rodeo.

Board Action

A motion was made by Gino Mulliqi, seconded by John Yeager, to approve a Temporary Access Agreement between the WEDC, First Baptist Church Wylie, and Chute 2 Productions, with modified limits of \$1,000,000 for general liability and \$3,000,000 for umbrella policy and further authorizing the WEDC Executive Director to execute said Agreement. A vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0.

Staff requested that President Dawkins then move to Discussion Items.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

3. Staff report: WEDC Property Update, WEDC Office/Insurance Claim, Engineering Report, FY21 Budget Process, Upcoming Events, and WEDC Activities/Programs.

Staff noted work with Code Compliance on various Wylie EDC-owned properties and updated the Board regarding insurance claims filed due to ice storm/flooding at the Wylie EDC offices. Staff noted that soil testing was being performed at FM 544 & Brown and that engineering and environmental reports were in process at FM 544 Gateway properties.

Staff will soon begin the FY22 Budget process and noted the need to consider funding options for capital/infrastructure projects as well as possible consideration of debt restructuring.

Staff discussed the recent HR Alliance meeting and the full schedule of activities programmed for Small Business Week from May 1st- May 8th. Mayor Porter and the Board discussed further defining the age group and mission for Wylie Young Professionals and extending programming opportunities for all businesses across the city. Staff discussed focusing marketing efforts and utilizing a variety of forms of social media to promote tourism, city-wide businesses, events, and opportunities. Staff also discussed upcoming Economic Development Week and the Proclamation to be presented in recognition of both weeks.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Recessed into Closed Session at 9:21 a.m. in compliance with Section 551.001, et. seq. Texas Government Code, to wit:

Sec. 551.072. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY; CLOSED MEETING.

ES1. Consider the sale or acquisition of properties located at FM 544 and Cooper, Jackson and Oak, Regency and Steel, State Hwy 78 and Alanis, State Hwy 78 and Birmingham, State Hwy 78 and Brown.

Sec. 551.087. DELIBERATION REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS; CLOSED MEETING.

ES2. Deliberation regarding commercial or financial information that the WEDC has received from a business prospect and to discuss the offer of incentives for Projects: 2017-10a, 2018-9b, 2020-11b, 2021-1d, 2021-1f, 2021-2b and 2021-3a.

Sec. 551.074. PERSONNEL MATTERS; CLOSED MEETING.

ES3. Evaluation of WEDC Staff

Board Member Melisa Whitehead left at 10:20 a.m. during Executive Session.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

Take any action as a result from Executive Session.

President Demond Dawkins reconvened into Open Session at 10:53 a.m.

President Dawkins then moved to Item 2 of the Regular Agenda.

REGULAR AGENDA

2. Consider and act upon FY 2020-2021 Mid-Year Budget Amendment.

Board Action

A motion was made by Gino Mulliqi, seconded by John Yeager, to approve the FY 2020-2021 Mid-Year Budget Amendment. A vote was taken, and the motion passed 4-0.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no Items requested for inclusion on future agendas.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, President Dawkins adjourned the WEDC Board meeting at 10:54 a.m.

Demond Dawkins, President

ATTEST:

Jason Greiner, Executive Director

Minutes
Wylie Economic Development Corporation
Board of Directors Special Called Meeting

April 5, 2021 – 8:30 A.M.
300 Country Club Road, Building #100
Wylie, TX 75098

CALL TO ORDER

Announce the presence of a Quorum

President Demond Dawkins called the regular meeting to order at 8:32 a.m. Board Members present were John Yeager and Melisa Whitehead.

Ex-Officio Members Mayor Matthew Porter and City Manager Chris Holsted were present.

WEDC staff present included Executive Director Jason Greiner, BRE Director Angel Wygant, and Senior Assistant Rachael Hermes.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BRE Director Angel Wygant gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

With no citizen participation, President Dawkins moved to Regular Agenda.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. **Consider and act upon a Temporary Access Agreement between the WEDC, First Baptist Church Wylie, and Chute 2 Productions.**

Staff Comments

Staff discussed the previous amendments made by the Board on 3-31-21 and noted that the rodeo vendor is unable to meet the levels required within the Agreement. Staff shared conversations with other entities that have insured rodeo events and the option to re-evaluate limits if the Board so chooses.

President Dawkins then moved to Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Recessed into Closed Session at 8:38 a.m. in compliance with Section 551.001, et. seq. Texas Government Code, to wit:

Sec. 551.071. PRIVATE CONSULTATION WITH AN ATTORNEY; CLOSED MEETING

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

Take any action as a result from Executive Session.

President Demond Dawkins reconvened into Open Session at 9:08 a.m.

President Dawkins then moved to back to Item 1 of the Regular Agenda.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. **Consider and act upon a Temporary Access Agreement between the WEDC, First Baptist Church Wylie, and Chute 2 Productions**

Board Action

A motion was made by John Yeager, seconded by Melisa Whitehead, to accept the insurance certificates as provided by First Baptist Church Wylie, subject to receipt of revised certificates to include endorsements for Additional Insured, Waiver of Subrogation, and Primary Insurance; and approve Chute 2 Productions certificate as presented. A vote was taken, and the motion passed 4-0.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no Items requested for inclusion on future agendas.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, President Dawkins adjourned the WEDC Board meeting at 9:09 a.m.

Demond Dawkins, President

ATTEST:

Jason Greiner, Executive Director

AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date:	<u>April 21, 2021</u>	Item Number:	<u>B</u>
Department:	<u>WEDC</u>		<i>(Staff Use Only)</i>
Prepared By:	<u>Jason Greiner</u>	Account Code:	<u></u>
Date Prepared:	<u>4/16/21</u>	Exhibits:	<u>5</u>

Subject

Consider and act upon approval of the March 2021 WEDC Treasurer's Report.

Recommendation

Motion to approve the March 2021 WEDC Treasurer's Report.

Discussion

Presented for the Board's review and approval is the March 2021 Treasurer's Report detailing the month and year-to-date financial transactions and performance against budget. In this report you will find the Revenue and Expense Report, Statement of Net Position, Balance Sheet, Sales Tax Report, and the Quarterly Performance Agreement Summary.

TRANSFERS:

\$303 from Special Services to Insurance to allow funds for the 2021 Blanket Bond.

REVENUES:

Sales Tax Revenue earned in January, allocated in March, was \$257,187.91, an increase of 12.76% over the same period in 2020.

EXPENSES:

Incentives

\$31,123.80 CSD Woodbridge- Quarterly Sales Tax Reimbursement

\$85,810.58 SAF-Holland- Incentive 3 of 3

\$13,149.00 WB Real Estate- Incentive 1 of 1

Special Services

\$24,500 Intercon Demolition- 201 Industrial Court

\$12,500 The Retail Coach

Wylie Economic Development Corporation

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

March 31, 2021

ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	ANNUAL BUDGET	CURRENT MONTH	PRIOR YEAR PO ADJUST.	YTD ACTUAL	YTD ENCUMBRANCE	BUDGET BALANCE	% OF BUDGET
	FY 2020-2021	FY 2020-2021		FY 2020-2021			FY 2020-2021
REVENUE SUMMARY							
CLAIM ON CASH / Bal Sheet	\$ 1,407,509.00			\$ 2,072,480.63			
SALES TAX	\$ 2,968,437.00	\$ 257,187.91	\$ -	\$ 1,211,404.11	\$ -	\$ 1,757,032.89	40.81% A
ALLOCATED INTEREST EARNINGS	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 132.78	\$ -	\$ 471.01	\$ -	\$ 5,528.99	7.85%
RENTAL INCOME	\$ 153,240.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$ -	\$ 53,950.00	\$ -	\$ 99,290.00	35.21%
GAIN/LOSS - SALE OF PROPERTY	\$ 164,500.00	\$ (31,000.00)	\$ -	\$ (31,208.00)	\$ -	\$ 195,708.00	-18.97%
BANK NOTE PROCEEDS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
REVENUES	\$ 3,292,177.00	\$ 227,620.69	\$ -	\$ 1,234,617.12	\$ -	\$ 2,057,559.88	37.50%
EXPENDITURE SUMMARY							
PERSONNEL	\$ 336,516.00	\$ 26,148.07	\$ -	\$ 155,227.97	\$ -	\$ 181,288.03	46.13%
OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 57,006.00	\$ 4,504.25	\$ -	\$ 25,289.01	\$ 292.11	\$ 31,424.88	44.87% B
INCENTIVES	\$ 1,130,310.00	\$ 130,083.38	\$ -	\$ 530,331.55	\$ -	\$ 599,978.45	46.92%
SPECIAL SERVICES	\$ 88,178.00	\$ 42,239.92	\$ -	\$ 60,522.98	\$ 451.23	\$ 27,203.79	69.15%
ADVERTISING	\$ 114,100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,564.25	\$ -	\$ 95,535.75	16.27%
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	\$ 44,550.00	\$ 97.54	\$ -	\$ 3,332.59	\$ -	\$ 41,217.41	7.48%
TRAVEL & TRAINING	\$ 62,600.00	\$ 1,081.21	\$ -	\$ 7,736.22	\$ -	\$ 54,863.78	12.36%
DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$ 30,018.00	\$ 619.69	\$ -	\$ 20,966.43	\$ -	\$ 9,051.57	69.85%
AUDIT & LEGAL	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 1,451.00	\$ -	\$ 4,821.00	\$ -	\$ 28,179.00	14.61%
ENGINEERING & ARCHITECTURAL	\$ 87,500.00	\$ 431.25	\$ -	\$ 39,697.78	\$ -	\$ 47,802.22	45.37%
DEBT SERVICE	\$ 541,878.00	\$ 67,482.12	\$ -	\$ 320,241.59	\$ -	\$ 221,636.41	59.10%
LAND	\$ 78,540.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 78,540.00	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS	\$ 926,460.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 186,680.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 737,280.00	20.42%
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 797.00	\$ -	\$ 1,703.00	31.88%
CONTRA CAPITAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (78,540.00)	\$ -	\$ 78,540.00	0.00%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 3,533,156.00	\$ 274,138.43	\$ -	\$ 1,374,208.37	\$ 3,243.34	\$ 2,155,704.29	38.99%
REV OVER/(UNDER) EXPEN	\$ (240,979.00)	\$ (46,517.74)	\$ -	\$ (139,591.25)	\$ (3,243.34)	\$ (98,144.41)	

A. SLSTX Rev earned in Jan, allocated in March, was \$257,187.91, an increase of 12.76% over the same period in 2020.

Sales Tax received for 4 months of FY due to 2 month accrual to prior FY.

B. Operating Expenses include Supplies, Maint Materials, Rental, Communication, Insurance and Utilities.

Wylie Economic Development Corporation
Statement of Net Position
As of March 31, 2021

Assets

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,074,480.63	
Receivables	\$ 60,000.00	<i>Note 1</i>
Inventories	\$ 12,106,477.50	
Prepaid Items	\$ -	
Total Assets	\$ 14,240,958.13	

Deferred Outflows of Resources

Pensions	\$ 95,608.55	
Total deferred outflows of resources	\$ 95,608.55	

Liabilities

Accounts Payable and other current liabilities	\$ 40,974.04	
Unearned Revenue	\$ 1,200.00	<i>Note 2</i>
Non current liabilities:		
Due within one year	\$ 179,119.65	<i>Note 3</i>
Due in more than one year	\$ 5,090,479.60	
Total Liabilities	\$ 5,311,773.29	

Deferred Inflows of Resources

Pensions	\$ (47,711.41)	
Total deferred inflows of resources	\$ (47,711.41)	

Net Position

Net investment in capital assets	\$ -	
Unrestricted	\$ 9,072,504.80	
Total Net Position	\$ 9,072,504.80	

Note 1: Includes incentives in the form of forgivable loans for \$60,000 (LUV-ROS)

Note 2: Deposits from rental property

Note 3: Liabilities due within one year includes compensated absences of \$20,727

111-WYLIE ECONOMIC DEVEL CORP

ACCOUNT#	TITLE		
ASSETS			
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1000-10110	CLAIM ON CASH AND CASH EQUIV.	2,072,480.63	
1000-10115	CASH - WEDC - INWOOD	0.00	
1000-10135	ESCROW	0.00	
1000-10180	DEPOSITS	2,000.00	
1000-10198	OTHER - MISC CLEARING	0.00	
1000-10341	TEXPOOL	0.00	
1000-10343	LOGIC	0.00	
1000-10481	INTEREST RECEIVABLE	0.00	
1000-11511	ACCTS REC - MISC	0.00	
1000-11517	ACCTS REC - SALES TAX	0.00	
1000-12810	LEASE PAYMENTS RECEIVABLE	0.00	
1000-12950	LOAN PROCEEDS RECEIVABLE	0.00	
1000-12996	LOAN RECEIVABLE	0.00	
1000-12997	ACCTS REC - JTM TECH	0.00	
1000-12998	ACCTS REC - FORGIVEABLE LOANS	60,000.00	
1000-14112	INVENTORY - MATERIAL/ SUPPLY	0.00	
1000-14116	INVENTORY - LAND & BUILDINGS	12,106,477.50	
1000-14118	INVENTORY - BAYCO/ SANDEN BLVD	0.00	
1000-14310	PREPAID EXPENSES - MISC	0.00	
1000-14410	DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	573,249.00	
			14,814,207.13
			=====
TOTAL ASSETS			14,814,207.13

LIABILITIES			
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2000-20110	FEDERAL INCOME TAX PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20111	MEDICARE PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20112	CHILD SUPPORT PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20113	CREDIT UNION PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20114	IRS LEVY PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20115	NATIONWIDE DEFERRED COMP	0.00	
2000-20116	HEALTH INSUR PAY-EMPLOYEE (6.62)	
2000-20117	TMRS PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20118	ROTH IRA PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20119	WORKERS COMP PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20120	FICA PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20121	TEC PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20122	STUDENT LOAN LEVY PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20123	ALIMONY PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20124	BANKRUPTCY PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20125	VALIC DEFERRED COMP	0.00	
2000-20126	ICMA PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20127	EMP. LEGAL SERVICES PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20130	FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT	4,374.90	
2000-20131	EDWARD JONES DEFERRED COMP	0.00	
2000-20132	EMP CARE FLITE	12.00	
2000-20151	ACCRUED WAGES PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20180	ADDIT EMPLOYEE INSUR PAY	48.00	
2000-20199	MISC PAYROLL PAYABLE	0.00	

CITY OF WYLIE
 BALANCE SHEET
 AS OF: MARCH 31ST, 2021

111-WYLIE ECONOMIC DEVEL CORP

ACCOUNT#	TITLE		
2000-20201	AP PENDING	4,280.39	
2000-20210	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	32,265.37	
2000-20530	PROPERTY TAXES PAYABLE	0.00	
2000-20540	NOTES PAYABLE	573,249.00	
2000-20810	DUE TO GENERAL FUND	0.00	
2000-22270	DEFERRED INFLOW	0.00	
2000-22275	DEF INFLOW - LEASE PRINCIPAL	0.00	
2000-22280	DEFERRED INFLOW - LEASE INT	0.00	
2000-22915	RENTAL DEPOSITS	1,200.00	
	TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>615,423.04</u>
EQUITY			
=====			
3000-34110	FUND BALANCE - RESERVED	0.00	
3000-34590	FUND BALANCE-UNRESERV/UNDESIG	14,338,375.34	
	TOTAL BEGINNING EQUITY		<u>14,338,375.34</u>
	TOTAL REVENUE	1,234,617.12	
	TOTAL EXPENSES	1,374,208.37	
	REVENUE OVER/(UNDER) EXPENSES	(139,591.25)	
	TOTAL EQUITY & OVER/(UNDER)		<u>14,198,784.09</u>
	TOTAL LIABILITIES, EQUITY & OVER/(UNDER)		<u>14,814,207.13</u> =====

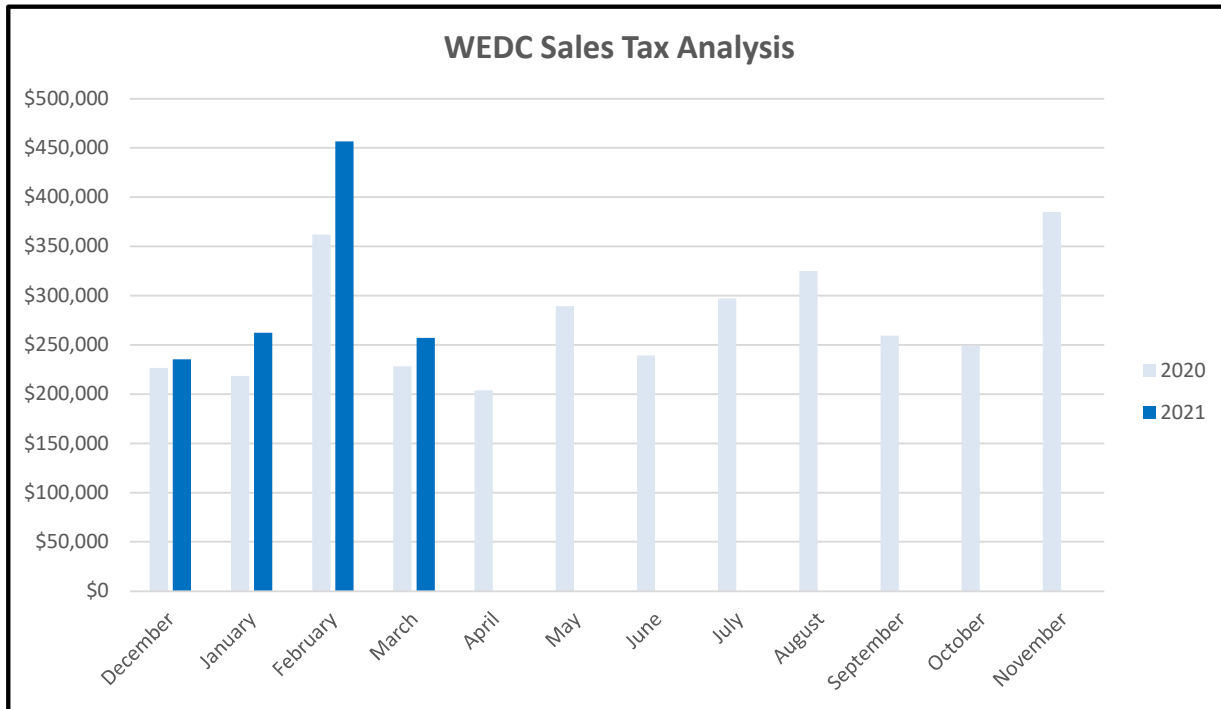
Wylie Economic Development Corporation

SALES TAX REPORT

March 31, 2021

BUDGETED YEAR

MONTH	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	DIFF 20 vs. 21	% DIFF 20 vs. 21
DECEMBER	\$ 184,848.59	\$ 214,867.15	\$ 226,663.94	\$ 235,381.33	\$ 8,717.39	3.85%
JANUARY	\$ 191,895.71	\$ 223,749.61	\$ 218,520.22	\$ 262,263.52	\$ 43,743.30	20.02%
FEBRUARY	\$ 275,667.83	\$ 307,366.66	\$ 362,129.18	\$ 456,571.35	\$ 94,442.17	26.08%
MARCH	\$ 182,852.50	\$ 208,222.32	\$ 228,091.34	\$ 257,187.91	\$ 29,096.57	12.76%
APRIL	\$ 163,484.89	\$ 182,499.53	\$ 203,895.57			
MAY	\$ 203,707.17	\$ 274,299.18	\$ 289,224.35			
JUNE	\$ 199,412.29	\$ 234,173.88	\$ 239,340.35			
JULY	\$ 213,976.64	\$ 215,107.94	\$ 296,954.00			
AUGUST	\$ 249,589.63	\$ 283,602.93	\$ 325,104.34			
SEPTEMBER	\$ 213,425.79	\$ 243,048.40	\$ 259,257.89			
OCTOBER	\$ 210,701.71	\$ 224,875.38	\$ 249,357.02			
NOVEMBER	\$ 273,196.62	\$ 308,324.41	\$ 384,953.89			
Sub-Total	\$ 2,562,759.35	\$ 2,920,137.37	\$ 3,283,492.09	\$ 1,211,404.11	\$ 175,999.43	15.68%
Total	\$ 2,562,759.35	\$ 2,920,137.37	\$ 3,283,492.09	\$ 1,211,404.11	\$ 175,999.43	15.68%



*** Sales Tax collections typically take 2 months to be reflected as Revenue. SlsTx receipts are then accrued back 2 months.
 Example: March SlsTx Revenue is actually January SlsTx and is therefore the 4th allocation in FY21.

Wylie Economic Development Corporation

PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT REPORT

March 31, 2021

PERFORMANCE AGREEMENTS	TOTAL INCENTIVE	BUDGETED YEAR					REMAINING AFTER CURRENT FY	PREVIOUS FY PAYMENTS	TOTAL INCENTIVE	
		FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025				
CSD WOODBRIDGE	\$ 1,100,000.00	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 41,257.82	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 191,257.82	\$ 758,742.18	\$ 1,100,000.00	A
EXCO	\$ 80,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 80,000.00	B
SAF-HOLLAND	\$ 239,792.48	\$ 85,810.58	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 153,981.90	\$ 239,792.48	C
SCSD-FINNELL	\$ 175,000.00	\$ 87,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 87,500.00	\$ 175,000.00	
CROSS DEVELOPMENT	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 250,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,000.00	
WYLIE INSURANCE	\$ 27,500.00	\$ 27,500.00	***	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,500.00	D
WB REAL ESTATE	\$ 13,149.00	\$ 13,149.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,149.00	
FIRST MIRACLE	\$ 11,800.00	\$ 11,800.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,800.00	
CARDINAL STRATEGIES	\$ 106,800.00	\$ 24,933.00	\$ 24,933.00	\$ 24,934.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 49,867.00	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 106,800.00	
CBC PROPERTY HOLDINGS	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00	
AVANTI, LLC	\$ 120,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 60,000.00	\$ -	\$ 120,000.00	
SAVANNAH WOODBRIDGE	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,000.00	\$ -	\$ 90,000.00	
BALLERS ELITE- THE LAB, LLC	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00	
AMERICAN ENTITLEMENTS	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 11,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,000.00	\$ -	\$ 33,000.00	
NORTH DALLAS WYLIE LAND	\$ 120,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	\$ 60,000.00	\$ -	\$ 120,000.00	
GDA INVESTMENTS	\$ 30,500.00	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,500.00	\$ -	\$ 30,500.00	
LUV-ROS	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	E
	<u>\$ 2,761,044.61</u>	<u>\$ 871,692.58</u>	<u>\$ 330,933.00</u>	<u>\$ 142,691.82</u>	<u>\$ 20,000.00</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 493,624.82</u>	<u>\$ 1,395,727.21</u>	<u>\$ 2,761,044.61</u>	

Deferred Out Flow \$ 573,249.00

A. SLSTX Reimbursement Qrtly Pmnts

B. Performance Agreement and Forgivable Land Grant. Paid remaining \$70,000 in early 2021.

C. Performance Agreement and Partial Tax Reimbursement. \$45,000 for Job Creation & 50% Reimb. of App Val. above the Baseline of \$14,375,324

D. Performance Agreement Obligations were met in FY21, so the FY22 payment was pulled forward.

E. Performance Agreement (\$10,000) and Forgivable Land Grant (\$60,000 forgiven over 3 years). \$20,000/year in 2021, 2022, & 2023.

AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date:	<u>April 21, 2021</u>	Item Number:	<u>1</u>
Department:	<u>WEDC</u>		<i>(Staff Use Only)</i>
Prepared By:	<u>Jason Greiner</u>	Account Code:	<u></u>
Date Prepared:	<u>4/16/21</u>	Exhibits:	<u>4</u>

Subject

Staff report: WEDC Property Update, WEDC Office/Insurance Claim, Engineering Report, FY21 Budget Process, Upcoming Events, and WEDC Activities/Programs.

Recommendation

No action is requested by staff for this item.

Discussion

Staff will lead a discussion regarding WEDC Properties, WEDC Office/Insurance Claim, Engineering Reports, FY21 Budget Process, Upcoming Events, and an overall review of issues surrounding WEDC Activities and Programs.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

2021 April	Board Meeting – 21st
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Day	Time	Meeting/Event
1		<u>HR Alliance – Council Chambers</u>
2	CLOSED	<u>Good Friday</u>
6		<u>WDMA Meeting</u>
8		<u>WSNCT Career Fair - Virtual</u>
13		<u>City Council</u>
21		<u>WEDC – Board Meeting</u>
21		<u>Bisnow - The Transformative Developments Along The 121 Corridor – Virtual - jg</u>
22		<u>WISD CTE Advisory Meeting – jg/aw</u>
27		<u>State of the City/State of the Wylie ISD Luncheon- Collin College Conference Center</u>
27		<u>City Council – Small Business Week Proclamation</u>
29		<u>Leadership Wylie – WEDC Presentation & Tour of Savage Precision Fabrication</u>

2021 May	Board Meeting – 19th
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Day	Time	Meeting/Event
3-7		<u>Small Business Week (SBW Activities listed below)</u>
1		<u>SBW – Sip n Shop Downtown</u>
2		<u>SBW – Pedal Car Race</u>
3		<u>SBW – Taste of Wylie – Olde City Park</u>
4		<u>WDMA Meeting – SBW Focus</u>
4		<u>SBW – Wylie Young Professionals Event – Fish N’ Tails</u>
5		<u>SBW – Cinco De Mayo Promotion</u>
6		<u>Christian Prayer Breakfast of Collin County</u>
6		<u>SBW– Stronger Together – Women’s Leadership Conference – aw/rh</u>
7		<u>Filming Day – Entertainment, Lifestyle, Tourism</u>
7-8		<u>SBW – Farmers Market & The Burrough</u>
8		<u>SBW – In-Sync Exotics - Mother’s Day Event</u>
9		<u>SBW – Mother’s Day Promotion</u>
9-15		<u>Economic Development Week</u>
11		<u>City Council - Economic Development Week Proclamation</u>
15		<u>City of Wylie Boards & Commissions Application Deadline</u>
19		<u>WEDC – Board Meeting</u>
25		<u>City Council- Economic Development Week Proclamation</u>
25-26		<u>ICSC RECon Digital- Virtual</u>
31	CLOSED	<u>Memorial Day</u>

2021 June	Board Meeting – 16th
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Day	Time	Meeting/Event
7-8, 2021		<u>IEDC Economic Future Forum – Spokane</u>
8		<u>City Council</u>
9,10		<u>TEDC Mid-Year Conference- Frisco</u>
16		<u>WEDC- Board Meeting</u>
19-23		<u>IAMC Spring Professional Forum- Ft. Worth</u>
22		<u>City Council</u>

Around the Corner...

- *FY22 Work Sessions with City Council- July 13 & July 27*

Wylie Economic Development Corporation

Inventory Subledger (Land)
March 31, 2021

	Property	Purchase Date	Address	Acreage	Improvements	Cost Basis	Sub-totals
Cooper St.	McMasters	7/12/05	709 Cooper	0.4750	\$ -	n/a	\$ 202,045.00
	Heath	12/28/05	706 Cooper	0.4640	\$ 32,005.00	3,625	\$ 186,934.22
	Perry	9/13/06	707 Cooper	0.4910	\$ -	Demo	\$ 200,224.00
	Bowland/Anderson	10/9/07	Cooper Dr.	0.3720	\$ -	n/a	\$ 106,418.50
	Duel Products	9/7/12	704 Cooper Dr.	0.5000	\$ -	n/a	\$ 127,452.03
	Randack	10/23/12	711-713 Cooper Dr.	1.0890	\$ 217,500.00	8,880	\$ 400,334.00
	Lot 2R3	7/24/14	Cooper Dr.	0.9500	\$ -	n/a	\$ 29,056.00
						\$ 1,252,463.75	
Industrial Ct.	Jarrard	12/22/16	201 Industrial Ct	0.2900	\$ 32,893.00	Demo	\$ 300,493.00
						\$ 300,493.00	
Regency Dr.	Regency Pk.	6/4/10	25 Steel Road	0.6502	\$ -	n/a	\$ 25,170.77
						\$ 25,170.77	
Commerce Dr.	Hobart Investments	11/12/13	Commerce	1.6000	\$ -	n/a	\$ 156,819.50
	Hobart	1/6/14	605 Commerce	1.0650	\$ 396,263.00	20,000	\$ 386,380.00
	Dallas Whirlpools	11/22/16	900-908 Kirby	4.7900	\$ 128,925.00	9,000	\$ 2,182,080.30
						\$ 2,725,279.80	
Downtown	Heath	3/17/14	104 N. Jackson	0.1720	\$ -	Demo	\$ 220,034.00
	Udoh	2/12/14	109 Marble	0.1700	\$ -	n/a	\$ 70,330.00
	Peddicord	12/12/14	100 W. Oak St	0.3481	\$ 155,984.00	4,444	\$ 486,032.00
	City Lot	12/12/14	108/110 Jackson	0.3479	\$ -	n/a	
	Jones (K&M)	9/3/15	106 N. Birmingham	0.2100	\$ 42,314.00	4,125	\$ 190,596.10
	FBC Lot	6/15/16	111 N. Ballard St	0.2000	\$ -	n/a	\$ 150,964.00
	FFA Village	1/7/18	102. N. Birmingham	0.1700	\$ 35,390.00	Demo	\$ 99,804.00
						\$ 1,217,760.10	
Alanis Dr.	White Property	12/12/14	Alanis	6.6328	\$ -	n/a	\$ 420,336.00
						\$ 420,336.00	
South Ballard	Birmingham Trust	6/3/15	505 - 607 S. Ballard	1.1190	\$ -	n/a	\$ 409,390.00
	Murphy	3/7/19	701 S. Ballard	0.2000	\$ 115,724.00	1,312	\$ 172,487.04
	Braley	7/22/19	503 S. Ballard	0.2558	\$ 50,762.00	Demo	\$ 177,397.96
						\$ 759,275.00	
Squire Dr.	Gallagher	3/14/18	Squire-lot 2-4	2.6720	\$ 100,404.00	6,000	\$ 573,844.35
						\$ 573,844.35	
Brown & 78	Turner	12/5/18	504 E. Brown	1.0220	\$ 84,077.00	Demo	\$ 308,179.81
	Wallace	12/18/18	502 E. Brown	0.1870	\$ 24,637.00	680	\$ 204,775.00
	Karan	12/28/18	300 E. Brown	2.3866	\$ -	0	\$ 1,250,391.20
	O'Donald	1/7/19	410 E. Brown	0.1870	\$ 64,421.00	940	\$ 177,043.75
	Weatherford	2/12/19	303 Marble	2.1740	\$ -	0	\$ 757,488.00
	Brothers JV	2/26/19	306 & 308 N. 2nd Street	0.3770	\$ -	n/a	\$ 145,923.04
	Pulliam	2/27/19	300 N. 2nd Street	0.2570	\$ 122,764.00	1,364	\$ 218,472.20
	Swayze	4/18/19	208 N. 2nd Street	0.2580	\$ 73,313.00	Demo	\$ 187,501.40
	Swayze	5/9/19	204 N. 2nd Street	0.2580	\$ 121,781.00	Demo	\$ 187,658.20
	Kreymer	10/9/19	302 N. 2nd Street	0.1290	\$ 72,609.00	1,386	\$ 187,941.76
	KCS	11/22/19	Hwy 78 Frontage	2.5363	\$ -	0	\$ 674,110.20
	City of Wylie	5/14/20	ROW Purchase/Alleys	1.8800	\$ -	0	\$ 81,713.00
	Collin County	5/7/20	SWC Hwy 78 & Marble	0.3590	\$ -	0	\$ 75,964.20
	Collin County	5/7/20	414 S. 2nd Street (NWC Hwy 78 & Brown	1.2260	\$ -	0	\$ 296,152.20
	TxDOT	2/21/21	SWC Hwy 78 & Brown	0.2209	\$ -	0	\$ 78,540.00
							\$ 4,831,853.96
Total				38.6916	\$ 1,871,766.00	61,756	\$ 12,106,476.73
							\$ 12,106,476.73



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Logistics park would add jobs, taxable value

By Don Munsch

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A new logistics park that would develop in Wylie would add jobs, but the project remains in the embryonic stages.

Kansas City Southern announced in January that it has entered into a joint agreement with NorthPoint Development to develop the master planned Wylie Logistics Park, located adjacent to KCS's David L. Staring Wylie Intermodal Terminal. That terminal is situated near the Wylie Police Department building and Walmart.

Wylie Logistics Park would offer six buildings and 2.4 million square feet, said Jason Greiner, Wylie Economic Development Corporation director. KCS officials said the development would have potential building capacity for traditional warehousing and distribution; industrial grade amenities; dual feed electrical system with redundant power; as well as a heavy-haul road network comprised of direct access to Highway 78 and the interstate system, air and seaports, and a state-of-the-art intermodal terminal.

Wylie Mayor Matthew Porter expressed excitement about the development, which would sit on about 220 acres, moving forward. A hub would be created for opportunities for warehousing and distribution centers to potentially come in there along with late stage manufacturing. "The intermodal as it sits, with it being railroad, does not provide any tax revenue to the city," he said. "It does provide jobs, but it does not provide any sort of tax revenue. And the development that they're looking at potentially would be something that would boost the

area."

He said it could create a large tax base as well as jobs, and "it's going to hopefully be done in a way that will not see a large increase in semi truck traffic."

The goal would be to start the project this year, if not making sure that the logistics would be worked out, such as zoning and building standards, Porter said.

According to Greiner, "it's still really early." He explained that the concept plan might change and that KCS still has to do due diligence, such as work-

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Don Munsch/The Wylie News

Kansas City Southern announced in January that it entered into a joint agreement with NorthPoint Development to develop the master planned Wylie Logistics Park in Wylie, not far from Walmart on U.S. Highway 78.

NEWS YOU NEED

Donation event for dogs

Coldwell Banker Apex, Realtors is hosting a "Fill the truck for homes for dogs" donation drop off day, Saturday, April 17 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Anyone with a heart for helping pets can drop by the office located at 2710 W. FM 544 and help fill the truck with needed items for local animal shelters. Suggested items for donation include dog/cat food (all ages), gently used blankets and towels, feeding bowls, toys and leashes and collars.

Gala raises more than \$114,000

First came the pandemic. Then came a winter storm. But nothing would stop organizers and volunteers from holding the Wylie ISD Education Foundation's Boots 'N Barbecue gala, which was held in late February this year in a virtual setting. **4A**.

Walk-off win propels Wylie East

It took nine innings, but eventually Wylie East came out on top.

Facing a three-game week, the Raiders opened the play with a dramatic 4-3 win over McKinney North on April 6. Wylie East had bases loaded with two outs when Gilbert Vil-la took the plate. **1B**

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Bull ridin' is back!

A rider hangs on tight as his bull goes airborne at a rodeo hosted Sunday, April 11 by First Baptist Church Wylie. Bull riders from all over Texas participated in this annual (except for 2020) family-friendly event which also featured a boys and girls calf scramble, a rodeo clown, inflatable slide and food trucks. *More photos, page 12A.*

Dress code updated

By Don Munsch
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Torn jeans? Not acceptable. Striped polos? Now acceptable. But sweatpants are still a no-go. The Wylie ISD board examined the updated dress code for students and faculty at its March 22 meeting, with shirts, pants, sweatshirts and sweatpants among the many articles of clothing that the district scrutinized when drafting its latest rules. Trustees will vote



Courtesy/Tan Halperin-Wylie ISD

Wylie East High School students Ryah Hill, Sergio Blanco Barajas, Delia Martinez and Ashleigh Bycott model pants that will be permissible in the updated Wylie ISD dress code.

on the proposed 2021 dress code at their April 19 meeting. A district-wide committee to study the dress code met three times, beginning in December, to look at which clothing would be acceptable for stu-

dents and staff members. Emphasis centered on revising the dress code to address trends. "We do it every two years," said Scott Winn, assistant

See **ADDITIONAL** page 3A

Wylie composer releases album

By Dustin Butler
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The work of a local composer will be featured on a new classical album released on all digital music platforms April 23.

The album, "Sustain Vol. 2: Solo Piano and Chamber Works," is a multi-composer album that features the track "Nocturne" composed by Wylie resident Jim Puckett.

Puckett, who works as the worship pastor for Richardson Church of the Nazarene, is originally from Ohio. His work with the church has taken him all over the country, but he has lived in Wylie

since 2019.

"Nocturne" was written in 2008 and was named Finalist of the International Music Prize for Excellence in Composition in 2010 by the National Academy of Music.

Puckett said the prize-winning piece was written as a diversion when he was in the middle of writing a larger project with a submission deadline. After feeling stuck writing the more extensive composition, he took a break to write the jazz-infused, three-minute piece of music. "I knocked the bulk of it out in two days," Puckett

See **COMPOSER** page 12A

Run for our Heroes event April 17

By Don Munsch
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Becky Welch said a person's loved ones are never truly gone as long as their stories are shared.

An event in Wylie on April 17 helps do that for people

wanting to remember one Wylie native.

Run for our Heroes Race kicks off its 10th year at Old City Park in downtown Wylie. The event begins at 9 a.m. with a small opening ceremony at Old City Park, and then at sundown, around 7:30 p.m., musi-

cians playing pipes and drums will play "Amazing Grace" and then an individual will play taps on a bugle. The annual 5K will be virtual and there won't be an in-person run.

The event features a barbecue lunch from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Run for our Heroes is con-

ducted to preserve the memory of Wylie native and Army 1LT Rob Welch, 26, who was killed in Afghanistan on April 3, 2011. Becky Welch, Welch's widow, wanted to pay tribute to her husband and other fallen soldiers and recognize those currently serving as well as lo-

cal veterans, firemen and police officers.

"It's not only given me an outlet to tell about my hero, but it's amazing the people I've met through all of this - out of tragedy comes some amazing

See **5K** page 3A

Additional colors will be allowed for pants

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superintendent for student services. "We didn't do it last year because of COVID. Last year would have been our second year (of the two years), so this is our second year." He said district officials always try to listen to people on the dress code and then see what the trends are and try to move forward. Each campus had a committee that formed to study dress codes, and that committee consisted of an administrator, teachers and students. The administrator brought the information from their campus committee meetings to a district committee that consisted of an administrator from each campus, ESC administration, and one school board member. That committee recommended the

dress code updating.

Highlights of the recommended changes:

- Sleeveless shirts allowed in elementary schools. Shirts must fit under the arms, and spaghetti straps are not acceptable.
- New colors for pants for students in grades 5-12. All solid, single colors are acceptable for pants, skirts, shorts or jumpers. Previously, students could wear shades of brown, blues, navy blue, white or black tones. Jeans/denim-type pants are acceptable. Pants may not have rips, tears or holes, but a "distressed" style is permissible.
- For grades 5 through 12, any solid color or striped shirt that fits the style description will be allowed, but shirts must fit properly and cannot be off the shoulder. Currently, just solid colors are allowed.

- Also for grades 5-12, sweat-shirts/sweaters/sweater vests/light jackets, including denim jackets, may be worn over an appropriate shirt. If the student removes the sweatshirt or overgarment, then he or she must remain in dress code with a collared shirt.
 - For professional staff, jeans are acceptable on days designated by the principal as student/faculty spirit days as well as Thursdays and Fridays and are expected to be worn with college/spirit shirts.
 - In keeping with current fashion, men have asked to be allowed to wear shirts untucked at times.
- Keeping up with the times is a goal of the district. "We've come a long way in the last 10 years at revising to try to keep up with some of the trends," Winn said.

5K run will be held virtually this year

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things," Welch said, adding that people don't always have a chance to share stories of their loved ones, for whatever reasons. The event will have a tribute area that allows patrons to read some stories about people they wouldn't have learned about otherwise. "So, it's really awesome," Becky said.

Proceeds from the event benefit the ILT Robert F. Welch III charitable foundation and are used to help support the needs of local veterans, fire departments, police departments, and Gold Star families, the group's website stated. Proceeds are also used to support the educational needs of local students through donations to the Wylie ISD Education Foundation.

On Saturday, people can learn about how Wylie is a National Guard army and a veterans food pantry. Donations for the food pantry can be made from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Old City Park.

"It's awesome that we can use the Run for our Heroes to be able to publicize that and use our charity to let people learn about avenues that they can take and things they can do," Becky said.

Becky and Robert, or Rob, grew up in Wylie and attended Wylie High School - they each



File art

The annual Run for our Heroes event will be held virtually Saturday, April 17. Other aspects of the event will remain the same.

graduated in 2003 - and Rob served in the National Guard in town before joining the active Army. After he died, Becky told a friend that she didn't want him to be forgotten, that she wanted to do something to continue his memory and legacy.

"So we decided to do two endowments through the Wylie ISD Education Foundation, and we got scholarships set up for him," she said.

Run for our Heroes was set up to raise money for the scholarships, and by the end of the

day on that first year in 2012, \$10,000 was raised for the first endowment. The event has continued annually.

"A couple of years after that is when we formed our actual charity, the 501 (c)(3) charity, and so here we are 10 years later," she said.

The event is growing every year, with people outside Wylie traveling here to attend. People who served with Rob in his unit, even from Fort Knox, have been here to take part.

Besides being a way to remember and honor Rob's legacy, the event serves as a way to be "a vocal thank you from the community for all of our first responders and our military veterans," Becky said.

Becky said she appreciates seeing the relationships that have grown over the years and the support the public has shown, and she appreciates the first responders and military personnel who put their lives on the line each day. Saturday's lunch is for all veterans, military, police and fire personnel and their families.

For more information on Run for our Heroes, access https://www.1twtelchrunforourheroes.org/. The organization also has a Facebook page at ILT Robert F. Welch III Charity.

Details for park will be discussed in future meetings

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-ing with the Planning & Zoning Commission, but if everything works out, the city will be able to add jobs and taxable value all the while dealing with any traffic and congestion that would occur.

"There's good and bad with any development like that," he said.

City officials have been talking about the possible development for several years. Wylie EDC staff will coordinate meetings with the city of Wylie and representatives from KCS and NorthPoint as they move throughout the process, an EDC release stated.

"KCS is pleased to enter into this agreement with NorthPoint Development for the Wylie Logistics Park," said KCS vice president chemical and energy products Ginger Adamiak, who also leads the company's industrial development team, in a KCS release. "Wylie is part of the Dallas metro area, the fourth fastest growing industrial market in the U.S., and Wylie offers a business-friendly environment, low taxes and a double free port exemption."

NorthPoint Development president/founding partner Chad Meyer said in the release that his company is "extremely bullish" on the opportunities that the Wylie Logistics Park offers.

"Wylie is a supportive, pro-business municipality partnering with a unique Class 1 intermodal facility that has the best direct connectivity to the growing east coast ports," he said. "Couple this with ex-



Don Munsch/The Wylie News

The KCS intermodal facility opened in 2015.

ceptional demographics from an eCommerce demand and the great labor pool that this development requires and you have all of the ingredients for a very successful project."

Greiner said a possible merger between Canadian Pacific and KCS could have considerable effects, as it would have more than double track miles than it would have in the system and would change distribution capability, and thus could have affect Collin County, where it might explode with new projects. Both companies said in March that CP would seek to acquire KCS in a deal worth \$29 billion, pending approval from the Surface Transportation Board, which could finish its review process in mid-2022, according to freightwaves.com.

KCS's Wylie Intermodal Terminal opened in 2015 and expanded in 2018, KCS officials said. It now offers track capacity of 19,000 feet and annual lift capacity of 342,000, resulting in fluid and efficient

availability of containers and improved on-time arrivals and departures. The terminal also boasts 1,800-wheeled parking spaces (with room to expand); 300 container stack spots; an Automated Gate System (AGS) with high definition imagery; optical character recognition and biometric driver identification; enhanced traffic signals and specific turn lanes.

"The Wylie Logistics Park is ideal for customers looking to combine logistics and real estate in one location," said KCS vice president intermodal and automotive Rodrigo Flores, in the KCS release. "Locating in the park will provide tenants and customers significant cost savings by reducing drayage from ramp to facility and providing quick access to the regional interstate network. Customers will also enjoy the environmental benefits of intermodal transportation and connectivity to other intermodal and port facilities on KCS' U.S. and Mexico rail network."



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As part of the Future Mobility Study, Collin County is hosting virtual and in-person public meetings to gather input on future transportation needs to accommodate population and employment growth.

Information presented will be the same at each public meeting opportunity.

Virtual Meeting May 3, 2021 - June 4, 2021

Materials will be posted on Monday, May 3, 2021 at 6 p.m. and will remain available until Friday, June 4, 2021 at ccfuturemobility.com

Live Presentation May 4, 2021 | 7 p.m.

Link to join presentation: zoom.us/j/98461995960
For those without internet access, join by calling:
(346) 248-7799 Meeting ID: 98461995960 Participant ID: 548850

In-Person Meeting May 6, 2021 | 4-8 p.m.

Lavon City Hall Community Gym - 120 School Road, Lavon, TX 75166
Space is limited. Register at ccfuturemobility.com.

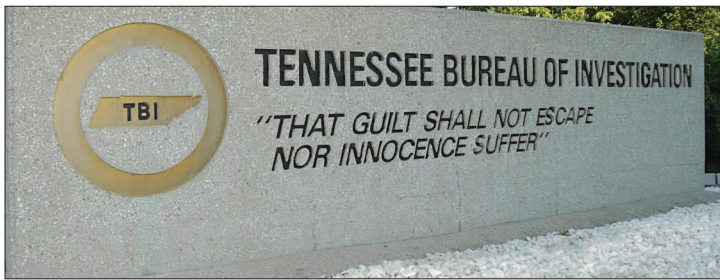


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The meetings will be conducted in English. If you have a special communication or accommodation need, such as the need for an interpreter, please contact info@ccfuturemobility.com or call (469) 659-7197 no later than Thursday, April 29, 2021.





Courtesy photo

The Tennessee Bureau of Investigation is located in Nashville. Anyone interested in visiting for a 90 minute guided tour can email the bureau at tn.gov/tbi/general-information-tour-tbi-headquarters.html.

Museums to pique crime buffs' interest

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8 p.m., and Saturday-Sunday from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. The Underground is open daily from noon to 10 p.m. themuseum.org.

You don't have to go far to learn about one of the most famous murders in Dallas — the assassination of JFK. Head to **The Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza**, the site where President John F. Kennedy was murdered in 1963. Exhibits here revolve around the life, assassination, and legacy of JFK within the context of 1960s history and culture. Through May 9, 2021, you can see the moving Art Reframes History exhibit, showcasing creative artwork, music and performance that was inspired by JFK. Or simply relive that tragic day, watching videos of the motorcade where shots were fired, examining crime scene photos, and learning about the conspiracy theories surrounding the event. The exhibit is open Wednesday-Sun-

day from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., with adult tickets for \$18. Learn more at jfk.org.

Feeling morbid — or just want to scare yourself silly? You can't go wrong with the **Museum of Death** in New Orleans, Louisiana. This museum is for mature audiences only, as it features grim and terrifying artifacts and exhibits including coffins, skulls, Theatre of Death, antique mortician apparatuses, Manson family photos, crime and morgue scene photos, art and letters from serial killers, graphic car accident photos, pet death taxidermy, cannibalism and more. It's pretty dark stuff, OK? You've been warned! The Museum of Death is open daily from 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; \$15 per person. museumofdeath.net.

If you've ever wondered what happens to murderers and other criminals once they are brought to justice, then find out at the **Eastern State Penitentiary** in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. This is the home

of the world's first penitentiary that held approximately 80,000 people during its 142 years in operation and is now an interactive museum. Go on "The Voices of Eastern State Audio Tour," narrated by actor Steve Buscemi and featuring voices of former prisoners and correctional staff. Throughout the tour, you will see Al Capone's cell, Death Row, Cellblock 11 (with artist installations), the prison's synagogue and an exhibit on Jewish life, and the award-winning "Prisons Today: Questions in the Age of Mass Incarceration" exhibit. The museum is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, with tickets available online for \$19. easternstate.org.

For serious true-crime junkies, visit an iconic landmark and museum: the **Lizzie Borden Bed & Breakfast and Museum** in Fall River, Massachusetts, one hour south of Boston. This is the actual home of the infamous Lizzie Borden, who was said to have murdered

her parents, Andrew and Abby Borden, with a hatchet — although it was never proven. Visit the house to see everything as it was that day in 1892, including replicated furnishings and décor, as well as original hardware and doors. If you are feeling extra brave (and aren't faint of heart), then you can actually spend the night in Lizzie and her sister, Emma's, suite, or one of the other family rooms. Guests can go on a spooky night tour, complete with a visit to the basement. Good luck sleeping after that! Reserve your room and/or your tour at lizzie-borden.com.

Whether you want to help solve over-100-year-old mysteries, puzzle over conspiracy theories and unexplained murders, develop a newfound appreciation for our justice system or resolve to never commit a crime, then you should visit one of these cool museums this spring. I know you're just dying (sorry, I couldn't resist!) to check them out.

A sweet treat for get-togethers

Pecans are a species of hickory native to northern Mexico and the southern United States. Pecan trees are cultivated for their edible nuts, and it can take 12 years for a tree to reach maturity and begin producing.

The history of pecans, which are the only major tree nut that grows naturally in North America, can be traced to the 16th century. Pecans are frequently enjoyed in southern cooking, particularly in desserts.

There are many different ways to incorporate pecans into recipes, such as in delicious, chewy cookie bars. Enjoy this recipe for "Pecan Praline Cookie Triangles" from "The Pampered Chef® Stoneware Inspirations (The Pampered Chef®, Ltd.," by The Pampered Chef® Test Kitchens.



Pecan Praline Cookie Triangles

Yields 64

Crust
2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
3/4 cups powdered sugar
1 teaspoon baking soda
3/4 cups butter or margarine, melted

Filling
3 cups pecan halves, divided
2 cups packed brown sugar
3 eggs
4 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
1/4 teaspoon salt
Powdered sugar, optional

Preheat oven to 350 F. For crust, combine flour, powdered sugar and baking soda in a batter bowl. Add butter; mix until crumbly. Lightly press crumb mixture over bottom of stoneware bar pan; roll lightly. Bake 15 minutes; remove from oven to a cooling rack.

Meanwhile for filling, reserve 1 cup of the pecans for garnish; chop remaining pecans. Combine

chopped pecans, brown sugar, eggs, butter, vanilla, and salt; mix well. Pour filling over warm crust, spreading to edges of pan. Arrange remaining pecan halves over filling. Bake 17 to 19 minutes, or until filling is set in center. Remove from oven; cool completely.

Sprinkle with additional powdered sugar, if desired. Cut into 32 squares using a utility knife; cut each square in half diagonally.

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Celebrating the entrepreneurial spirit that is the heart and soul of our Small Business Community. In 2021, Wylie's Small Business Week celebration will feature activities throughout Wylie's small business community. Please join us as we celebrate Small Business Week.

<p>Sip & Shop 12:00 pm - 6:00 pm www.landonwinery.com Explore historic downtown Wylie and enjoy tons of discounts from all the local merchants while sipping a glass of wine. Saturday May 1 Tickets: online and @ Landon Winery, 103 N. Ballard Ave., Wylie</p>	<p>Cinco de Mayo www.WylieEDC.com Find the best specials and deals to celebrate in Style city wide! Wednesday May 5</p>
<p>Pedal Car Race 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm www.discoverwylie.com 17th Annual 500 Pedal Car Race, benefiting the Wylie Area Special Olympics program. Children ages 2 to 5 years, race old time pedal cars down Ballard Ave. Sunday May 2 Registers in advance online. Parents bring your children and their friends.</p>	<p>Stronger Together Women's Conference 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm www.wyliechamber.org STRONGER TOGETHER East Collin County Women's Conference Thursday May 6 Registers in advance online. Event held at B&B Theater, Wylie</p>
<p>Taste of Wylie 11:00 am to 1:00 pm www.wyliecommunitychristiancare.org The Taste of Wylie is moving outdoors to Oldie City Park. Sample a variety of food items over 25 restaurants and support the Wylie Christian Care Center. Monday May 3 Tickets and information online.</p>	<p>The Borough Farmers Market & Live Music www.theboroughwylie.com Friday - 6 pm to 10 pm Saturday - Farmers Market - 9 am - 3 pm Live Music - 7 pm - 10 pm Fri. & Sat. May 7 & 8 Information available online. Oak & Ballard, Downtown Wylie</p>
<p>Young Professionals Event 5:00 pm www.wyliechamber.org WYIYP wylie young professionals Join WYP to build relationships, develop personally and professionally, & contribute to the continued economic development in the community. For the young and young at heart (ages 21-45) Tuesday May 4 On the Patio at Fish-n-Tails, 330 S State Hwy, Wylie</p>	<p>Panthers, Pumas & Pancakes 7:00 am - 10:00 am www.insyncexotics.org Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast at-In-Sync Exotics Saturday May 8 Tickets and information online. 3430 Skyview Drive, Wylie</p>

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