

## MINUTES

### THE HITCHCOCK ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Regular Meeting – March 30, 2026 – 5:30 P.M.

The regular monthly meeting for the Hitchcock Economic Development Corporation (HEDC) was held on Thursday, March 30, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. This was an open meeting located in Suite 201 Conference Room at 8115 Hwy. 6, Hitchcock, Texas 77563.

## A G E N D A

### 1. Call to Order.

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 5:38 p.m. by President Allen Johnson.

### 2. Roll call of members.

The roll was called, and the following members were present: Allen Johnson-President, Hon. Chris Armacost, Jack Click, Kathy Marullo. Staff: Executive Director Lance LaCour was in attendance. Absent: Ted Robinson.

### 3. Public Comments

- a. There no public comments made.

### 4. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the HEDC Regular Meeting on February 26, 2026.
- b. Review of February 28, 2026, Bank Statements and Visa Statements for approval of payments at Texas First Bank.

Jack Click motioned to approve. Kathy Marullo seconded, and the motion carried.

### 5. Discussion and Possible Action Items

- a. EDC Properties: Lance LaCour discussed the status of the existing properties.
- b. Opportunity Zone 2.0: Lance LaCour reviewed Opportunity Zone 2.0 and the process of submission to TXEDT. He noted that the existing Opportunity Zone may be included in 2.0, although other properties may be submitted if they meet the criteria. Jack Click motioned to approve submitting the existing zone and any other opportunities along FM 2004 that fit the criteria. Hon. Chris Armacost seconded and the motion carried.

### 6. HEDC Financial Report. (Lance LaCour)

- a. The Executive Director reviewed the HEDC Financial Report.

**7. Executive Director's Report. (Lance LaCour)**

- a. Opportunity Pipeline, Property and Activity Report: The Executive Director provided updates on the prospect and project opportunity pipeline, property, and activity report.

**8. Executive Session: Adjournment to Executive Session under the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code §Section 551.087 – Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations. Section 551.072 – Deliberation Regarding Real Property.**

- a. The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 6:55 p.m.
- b. The Board adjourned from Executive Session at 7:16 p.m.

**9. Executive Session Actions**

- a. Project Keymaster: Jack Click motioned to approve seeking \$15,000 in funds from the City HOT Tax Funds to fund a feasibility study for a hotel in the City of Hitchcock. Hon Chris Armacost seconded and the motion carried.

**10. President's Comments**

- a. There were no comments presented.

**11. Board Members' Comments**

- a. None.

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

- a. The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 30, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. at the HEDC Office, Room 201.

**12. ADJOURN**

- a. The meeting was adjourned by President Johnson at 7:30 p.m.