

VALLEY CENTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, July 5, 2023 1:00 P.M.

(Meeting held via Microsoft Teams)

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 1:07 P.M. THOSE IN ATTENDANCE:

Ben Anderson, Chairperson

Casey Carlson

Ron Colbert

Randy Jackson

Tim Hoffman

Brent Clark, City Administrator

Ryan Shrack, Community Development Director

Brittney Ortega, Community Development Assistant

APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES

Motion was made by Board Member Colbert and seconded by Board Member Jackson to approve the meeting minutes for May 3, 2023. Motion was unanimous. No meeting minutes for the June 7, 2023 meeting as there was no quorum/no official action taken.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Residential/Commercial Developments Update

R. Shrack gave the updates. Ceterra, previously known as Cedar Ridge, and Arbor Valley now have private utilities going in. Sunflower Valley has infrastructure going in now. Decisions regarding these new homes being duplexes or single-family homes have not been made yet. Phase 3 of Prairie Lakes is moving forward and phase 4 is currently being reviewed by the City Staff Review Team. These will be slab-on-grade single-family homes.

B. Update on Valley Center Recreation and Aquatic Center

The site plans for the new building will go in front of the Planning and Zoning Board in August for formal approval. The building plans will go to Sedgwick County for review and approval since this is a commercial project. Once these plans are approved, we can move forward with the building permit. City Administrator Clark gave a brief update on the project. Things continue to move forward, and we are still planning on breaking ground by the end of August and the total construction time should take about 18 months.

C. Update on Ford Street Project

City Administrator Clark gave the update. The rain has caused some delays, but the tentative open date is the week of July 17th. All concrete has been poured we are just waiting on the curing time, backfilling, painting and striping. This project has taken less than one year for the City's portion to be completed.

D. General Discussion

R. Shrack updated the board that we have received one application to fill the open spot on the Econ. Dev. Board. Once approved by City Council, Ivan Gomez, will join the board and sit in on his first meeting on August 2, 2023.

Board member Colbert inquired about a discussion that was had in a past meeting about new businesses coming to Valley Center. Discussion was had and agreed that in the future there will be more discussions regarding this subject.

Clark explained that there will be approximately 180 acres to be voluntarily annexed into our city limits south of Ford, along Seneca St. Information can be found on the website.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Board Member Colbert and seconded by Board Member Carlson to adjourn the meeting. Motion was unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 1:23 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ryan W. Shrack, Secretary