

Community and Economic Development Committee

Meeting Minutes
June 6, 2018

The Friendswood Community and Economic Development Committee met on Wednesday, June 6, 2018 at 3:30 pm., in the second floor conference room of Friendswood City Hall, 910 South Friendswood Drive, Friendswood, Texas, with the following members present: Chair Gary Kay, Meg Crowley, Skip Evans, and Jennifer Whitley. Carol Marcantel, President of the Friendswood Chamber of Commerce, and City Councilmember John Scott were also present.

Staff member present was Karen Capps.

Absent from the meeting were Skip Evans, Pauline Moore, Bill Provenzano, and Dr. Hilmar Zeissig.

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by Chair Gary Kay at 3:34 p.m.

2. Roll call was made. Roll call was made. There was no quorum.

3. Approval of Minutes

There was no quorum to approve the minutes so this item will be moved to the July 11 agenda.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding committee organization and meeting times

Chair Gary Kay reported that after discussing with the Mayor, City Manager, and Karen, it was decided to reduce the committee to seven members from nine. This will leave two vacant positions to fill. After reviewing about 24 applications, 8 applicants will be interviewed. Gary asked for input on what type of criterion should be considered for possible selection and responses were past volunteer history, that the applicant is a city resident, they are engaged, passionate, and commits to the goals of the committee. How to manage conflicts of interest by committee members was also discussed.

5. Staff report/comments

At the Chair's request, Karen Capps provided a brief overview of site selection criterion for different types of businesses looking to locate/relocate. An update was given on development projects planned in the city.

6. Member comments

Meg Crowley reported that the Drinks, Drafts, and Downtowners happy hour will be next Thursday at 5 p.m. It will be moved next month to Jado's Grill House.

7. Liaison reports

Carol Marcantel reported that this year's Business Expo will be held on Thursday, September 20 from noon until 7 p.m. at First Baptist Church.

8. Adjournment

Next meeting on July 11 at 3:30 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 4:59 p.m.