



**COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6TH 2025 - 4:00 P.M.  
SECOND FLOOR (CMO) CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL  
910 S. FRIENDSWOOD DRIVE, FRIENDSWOOD, TEXAS**

## **MINUTES**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

**The meeting was called to order at 4:01 pm with the following members present:**

**CHAIR SUSAN ASIMAKIS  
VICE CHAIR BLAISE GUZZETTA  
COMMITTEE MEMBER DENISE SPRUIELL  
COMMITTEE MEMBER KYLE WINNE  
COMMITTEE MEMBER BETH ROBINSON  
COMMITTEE MEMBER SHARON ROWSEY  
COUNCILMEMBER SALLY BRANSON  
DEPUTY CITY MANAGER STEVEN RHEA  
DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUBREY HARBIN  
SECRETARY KRISTINA CUELLAR**

#### **ABSENT:**

**COMMITTEE MEMBER JUDY WIGGINS  
COMMITTEE MEMBER PAULINE MOORE**

### **2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**None.**

### **3. MINUTES**

#### **A. Consider approving the minutes of the Community and Economic Development Committee Regular Meeting, held on April 2nd, 2025.**

Motion to approve: Guzzetta  
Second: Spruiell  
Vote: 6/0 - Minutes Approved

#### **4. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Asimakis welcomed committee member Sharon Rowsey, expressed gratitude to Kyle Winne for his dedication, and announced that Kyle will be stepping down.

##### **A. Consider making a recommendation to the City Council regarding a proposed offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect.**

The committee's motion is to recommend to the City Council approval of the proposed offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect, Source Solutions, and All Out Offroad.

##### **B. Discuss the Community and Economic Development Committee economic development and business retention strategy.**

The committee provided an overview of Small Business Week and Future Works. Small Business Week was a great success, with 91 attendees at the keynote presentation given by Armando Perez. The Kickoff Coffee event gathered about 40 participants, and approximately 72 people took part in the workshops held at the library. Everyone is eager and looking forward to next year's Small Business Week. As for Future Works, the committee executed their plans and will be reaching out to Workforce Solutions and San Jacinto College for their feedback. Lexi Kopp, the Executive Director of Career and Technical Education and Community Partnerships with Friendswood ISD, attended the meeting and expressed her enthusiasm for collaborating on Future Works. CDEC would like to begin marketing for Future Works by the end of the year. They have asked Steven to organize a brainstorming session involving Friendswood ISD, Clear Creek ISD, the Chamber of Commerce, Amy Reed, and Workforce Solutions.

#### **5. REPORTS**

Harbin will email the Business Report.

#### **6. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:22pm.