## HARRIS COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REGULAR SESSION

May 9, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Craig Greenhaw, Rob Grant, Chris Butzon, Charles Sweat, Mark Smith. Members Absent: Harry Boyd, Tommy Wright, Meghan Guenther. Staff Present: Andrea Dzioba, Recording Secretary.

- 1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>. Chairman Greenhaw called the meeting to order.
- 2. <u>MINUTES</u>. The motion to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2023 Regular Session was made by Mr. Sweat, seconded by Mr. Butzon, and passed unanimously.

## 4. OLD BUSINESS

- A. <u>Update on Northwest Harris Business Park Project</u>. Chairman Greenhaw stated that he called Scott Harris on the way to the meeting and that Evergreen is almost ready to do the road and curb. They are testing sewer and will be doing curb, gutter, and paving. He stated that it looked good and that control measures are in and that the grass and stabilization are good. He expects that by the end of the year that West Point will have their gas and water lines in up to the site. Chairman Greenhaw stated that he and Chairman Rob Grant have been working hard and have some good prospects for the site. They will continue to work on it and are optimistic that they will have something good soon.
- B. Economic Development Position and Update on Economic Development Discussions. Chairman Greenhaw advised that they will continue to get through group meetings and will have another Harris County Strategic Planning meeting on Monday. The topics that they have been discussing are: workforce housing; downtown development; sewer; broadband; retail; land use; funding for economic development; and some others. At the last meeting, they had large discussion on broadband and density; geographic challenges and ups and downs; private industry; and federal grants. At this point, there isn't a whole lot that can be done to move the needle but that the County just needs to be ready.
- C. **Businesses in the Hamilton Business Park**. Chairman Greenhaw advised that Sturdi-Built was wanting to expand but that we are still waiting to get a good idea of where the property lines currently lie. Chairman Greenhaw also gave a brief update related to Hart Steel in the Hamilton Business Park and advised that the contracts have expired but he would like to do what he originally intended to do. Chairman Greenhaw would like direction from the group as to whether the Development Authority would like to get something put back in place. The motion to approve Chairman Greenhaw to move forward with the contracts related to Hart Steel in the Hamilton Business Park and passed unanimously.
- 5. **ADJOURNMENT**. The meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Prepared by:

Craig Greenhaw, Chairman

Andrea R. Dzioba, Recording Secretary