

Amended Meeting Agenda
Aransas County Alliance Local Government Corporation
June 15, 2020

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Aransas County Alliance Local Government Corporation will be held on Monday, June 15, 2020 at 12:30 P.M. Due to COVID-19, the meeting will be held by video conference via the ZOOM app and streamed on YouTube for viewing. If you would like to attend, please contact Kim Foutz at least 24 hours prior to the meeting at kfoutz@aransascounty.org or 254-493-1293. You will be asked to complete a public participation form, and upon receipt, provided with a meeting invitation.

The following subjects will be discussed and acted upon:

I. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

II. WORKSHOP/PRESENTATIONS:

1. Update on a grant opportunity through the Department of Commerce-Economic Development Administration for a workforce development and entrepreneurship center and related projects and opportunities
2. Update on the status of Consulting Services Agreements between the Aransas County Alliance Local Government Corporation and each of the Sponsoring Entities.

III. CONSENT AGENDA:

All Consent Agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the LGC and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Director so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

1. Discussion and possible action on the meeting minutes from the May 26, 2020 Special Called meeting.

IV. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Presentation, discussion and possible action on a letter of support for an Economic Development Administration grant application for a marina project to be submitted by the Aransas County Navigation District.

V. REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM DIRECTORS: NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

VI. ADJOURNMENT

I, the undersigned, City Secretary, of the City of Rockport, Texas, do hereby certify that the Notice of the above named Aransas County Alliance Local Government Corporation, is a true and correct copy of said Notice, and that I posted a true and correct copy of said Notice on the bulletin board at the Rockport Service Center, 2751 State Highway 35 Bypass, Rockport, Aransas County, Texas on Thursday, June 11, 2020, at 12:30 p.m., and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the schedule time of said Meeting.



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Minutes of the Meeting

Special Called Meeting

Agenda

Aransas County Alliance Local Government Corporation

May 26, 2020

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Aransas County Alliance Local Government Corporation will be held on Tuesday, May 26, 2020 at 12:30 P.M. Due to COVID-19, the meeting will be held by video conference via the ZOOM app and streamed on YouTube for viewing. If you would like to attend, please contact Kim Foutz at least 24 hours prior to the meeting at kfoutz@aransascounty.org or 254-493-1293. You will be asked to complete a public participation form, and upon receipt, provided with a meeting invitation.

The following subjects will be discussed and acted upon:

I. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Introduction of Town of Fulton's new representative board member – Kelli Cole, Mayor of Fulton

The meeting was opened at 12:40 p.m. by Judge Burt Mills, Chairman.

Members in attendance were: Navigation District Chairman Malcolm Dieckow, Aransas County Judge C.H. "Burt" Mills Jr, and Town of Fulton Mayor Kelli Cole, and City of Rockport Mayor Pat Rios.

II. WORKSHOP/PRESENTATIONS:

1. Presentation on the TEAM Center report (Technology, Entrepreneurship, Arts, and Maker Space) issued by Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi in cooperation with IC² of the University of Texas at Austin – *Presentation given by Kim Foutz*
2. Presentation on a grant opportunity through the Department of Commerce-Economic Development Administration for a workforce development and entrepreneurship center – *Presentation given by Kim Foutz*

III. CONSENT AGENDA:

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1. Discussion and possible action on ratification of Election of Officers – Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer, and Secretary including election of the following:

- a. Chairman – C.H. “Burt” Mills Jr. (Aransas County Judge)
 - b. Vice Chairman – Kelli Cole (Town of Fulton Mayor)
 - c. Treasurer – Pat Rios (City of Rockport Mayor)

 - d. Secretary – Malcolm Dieckow (Navigation District Chairman)
2. Discussion and possible action on ratification of designation of a bank depository, designating American Bank of Rockport Texas.
 3. Discussion and possible action on ratification of filing for an Employer Identification Number (EIN), such ratification authorizing Kim Foutz to follow up on the item and have the appropriate board member sign and submit the required form.
 4. Discussion and possible action on the meeting minutes from the April 6, 2020 meeting.

A motion was made by Mayor Pat Rios and seconded by Judge Burt Mills to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was approved unanimously.

IV. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Presentation, discussion, and possible action on authorizing preparation of a grant application for funding through the Economic Development Administration (EDA) for construction of and equipment for a workforce development and entrepreneurship center in Aransas County.
A motion was made by Mayor Pat Rios and seconded by Navigation District Chairman Malcolm Dieckow. The motion was approved unanimously.
2. Presentation, discussion, and possible action authorizing issuance of a Request for Proposals, following federal procurement standards, for grant application and administration services for an Economic Development Administration grant.
This item was removed from consideration. It was discussed that County staff will prepare the grant application and that if the grant was approved, this item will be brought forth for consideration.
3. Presentation, discussion, and possible action authorizing development of a draft Memorandum of Understanding with the Aransas County Partnership Economic Development Corporation for a joint grant application with the Economic Development Administration.
A motion was made by Judge Mills and seconded by Mayor Rios to prepare a draft Memorandum of Understanding for a joint grant application with the Economic Development Administration, such applicant and co-applicant to be determined at a future date. The motion was approved unanimously.

4. Presentation, discussion, and possible action on a request to the Aransas County Partnership Economic Development Corporation to form an Exploratory Committee (TEAM Center Exploratory Committee) to oversee research, development, and submittal of the EDA grant application.

A motion was made by Mayor Pat Rios, and seconded by Navigation District Chairman Malcolm Dieckow to request the Aransas County Partnership Economic Development Corporation form an Exploratory Committee to oversee research, development, and submittal of the EDA grant application. The motion was approved unanimously.

5. Presentation, discussion, and possible action on Consulting Services Agreements between the Aransas County Alliance Local Government Corporation and each of the Sponsoring Entities.

A motion was made by Navigation District Chairman Malcolm Dieckow and seconded by Mayor Pat Rios to approve the Consulting Services Agreement between the Aransas County Alliance LGC and each of the Sponsoring Entities. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Discussion Regarding Regional Economic Development Initiatives:

- COVID-19 business assistance
Seven applications for assistance from the Texas Back in Business Program are in progress. Financial assistance is being worked on from the Texas Department of Emergency Management
- Update on micro-hospital
\$43 million in grants have been approved for Aransas County. \$10 million is still pending on the micro-hospital
- Update on downtown parking lot
This project has been approved for funding by the GLO.
- Update on Rockport Harbor RFP
The RFP has been prepared and the Navigation District is waiting for the economy to come back before issuance.
- Texas General Land Office economic development study
This study is underway and is being led by the GLO. The Judge is on the steering committee.

V. REPORTS FROM DIRECTORS: NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

Navigation District Chairman Dieckow reported activity for Memorial Day weekend. Approximately 30,000 visited the beach Friday through Monday. 85-90% were not locals. Visitors came primarily from San Antonio, Houston, and elsewhere. The District sold 1,000 annual passes and 3,177 daily passes. They expect the same or better attendance on the 4th of July.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS: NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

It was agreed that the next meeting will be held on June 15 at 12:30 in order to receive an update on the EDA grant.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

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