

**AGENDA
4A ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
CITY OF FERRIS
MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE
STATE OF TEXAS, ELLIS COUNTY
AT THE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
215 W. SIXTH STREET, FERRIS, TEXAS 75125
1:00 P.M. THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2015**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FERRIS 4A ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FERRIS WILL MEET IN SPECIAL SESSION AT 1:00 P.M. ON THE 16th DAY OF JULY, 2015 AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT 215 W. SIXTH STREET, FERRIS, TEXAS 75125 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PAGE</u>
<u>COMMISSION BUSINESS</u>		
1.	Call to order.	Ø
2.	Roll call to determine the presence of a quorum.	1
<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>		
3.	Consider approval of 4A E.D.C. meeting minutes of June 18, 2015.	2
<u>DISCUSSION</u>		
4.	Discussion regarding high speed internet.	Ø
<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>		
5.	Discussion, consideration, and action as may be appropriate regarding the final Strategic Plan.	Ø

CLOSING

- 6. Discuss items to be placed on next meeting's agenda. Ø
 - 7. Adjourn. Ø
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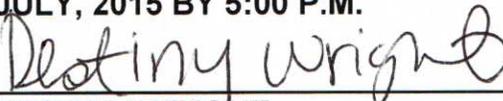
Executive Session Reservation

The Ferris 4A Economic Development Commission reserves the right to convene into an Executive Session (closed to the public) as authorized by Sec. 551.087. **DELIBERATION REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS:** Closed session is allowed (1) to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations; or (2) to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described by Subdivision (1).

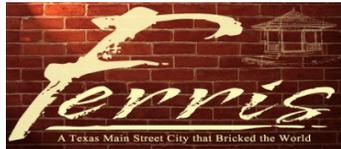
Disability Assistance and Accommodation

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need assistance should contact the City Secretary at (972) 544-2110 two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

I, DESTINY WRIGHT, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING NOTICE WAS POSTED ON OR BEFORE THE 10TH DAY OF JULY, 2015 BY 5:00 P.M.



DESTINY WRIGHT
CITY SECRETARY



4A E.D.C. MEETING ATTENDANCE RECORD

2014-2015

4A E.D.C. Commission			Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Jan	Feb	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
Place	Name	Title	9	13	11	8	30	2	6	12	9	14	18	16	13	10
Place 1	James Harrison	Commissioner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P			
Place 2	Bill Pardue	Commissioner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			
Place 3	Michael Martinez	Commissioner	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			
Place 4	Charles Hatfield	Commissioner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			
Place 5	Chad Newsom	Commissioner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			
Total Present:			4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	5	5			

A quorum of the commission is 3 members.

City Staff			Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Jan	Feb	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
Title	Name		9	13	11	8	30	2	6	12	9	14	18	16	13	10
E.D. Coordinator	Chuck Dart		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			
Total Present:			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			

Chairman- "Will the Secretary please call the roll."
 The Secretary calls each member's position and name.
 They respond if they are present.
 Secretary- "A quorum is present."

P	Present
A	Absent
R	Resigned
D	Deceased
E	End of Term

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ELLIS**

**THE FERRIS 4A ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MET IN SPECIAL SESSION JUNE 18, 2015 AT 1:00 P.M. IN
COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT 215 W. SIXTH STREET,
FERRIS, TEXAS 75125.**

MEMBERS PRESENT

James Harrison, Place 1
Bill Pardue, Place 2
Michael Martinez, Place 3
Charles Hatfield, Place 4
Chad Newsom, Place 5

STAFF PRESENT

Chuck Dart, Econ. Dev. Director

MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF ABSENT

COMMISSION BUSINESS

1. Call to order.

Chair James Harrison called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM

2. Roll call to determine the presence of a quorum.

All members present and accounted for.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. Consider approval of 4A E.D.C. meeting minutes of May 14, 2015.

Bill Pardue moved to approve the minutes for the 4A E.D.C. meeting of May 14, 2015. Seconded by Chad Newsom. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 5-0-0.

DISCUSSION

4. Discussion of the Strategic Planning session.

The Commission was previously sent a draft of the consultant's presentation and they expressed general disappointment. Chuck Dart reiterated that the presentation was different than the strategic planning report. The Commissioners had several comments which will be communicated to the consultant.

5. Discussion of High Speed Internet.

Item tabled by Chuck Dart.

6. Discussion of Fisd/City fiber plan.

Chuck Dart shared this item as an FYI. The school district's plans for this project will potentially benefit the City.

7. Discussion of proposed Veterans Memorial.

The goal is to have this memorial in place and finished by Veterans Day. Final decision by Council was to place it by the north side of pavilion.

OLD BUSINESS

8. Discussion, consideration and action as may be appropriate regarding the former Empire Truss space.

The owner will clean up the property and leave concrete bed in place.

9. Discussion, consideration and action as may be appropriate regarding Fisd land.

The Ferris Independent School District did not accept the 4A E.D.C.'s offer for this land.

10. Discussion, consideration and action as may be appropriate regarding the 2015-2016 budget.

The commission approved the 2015-2016 budget that will change the amounts for the following accounts. All other budget accounts will have the same amounts as prior year.

Consultant Service (Engineering, plans)	\$40,000
Admin Cost (Compensation)	\$24,500
Capital Improvements (land, infrastructure)	\$200,000

Chad Newsom moved to approve. Seconded by Charles Hatfield. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 5-0-0.

CLOSING

11. Discuss items to be placed on next meeting’s agenda.

- High speed internet
- Strategic Plan

12. Adjourn.

With no further business to come before the board, Chad Newsom moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Bill Pardue. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 5-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 2:20 P.M.

APPROVED THIS THE 16TH DAY OF JULY, 2015.

ATTEST:

 Chuck Dart
 Economic Development Coordinator

 Cynthia Sanchez
 Secretary to City Manager

**Important administrative notation:
 These minutes have been composed by using meeting notes provided to Cynthia Sanchez.*