



**TEMPLE HEALTH AND BIOSCIENCE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday September 22nd, 2021**

**Minutes from the Board of Directors Meeting held on
Wednesday September 8th, 2021**

The Temple Health and Bioscience Economic Development District Board of Directors conducted a special scheduled board meeting in person and via Zoom Wednesday, September 8th, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Mr. Thomas Baird, Chair
Mr. Tyler Johnson, Secretary/Treasurer
Mr. Gregg Strasburger -By Zoom
Mr. John Kiella
Dr. Jason Locklin
Dr. Robert Cortes – By Zoom
Mr. Michael Norman, Vice Chair – By Zoom

Members Absent:

Guests/Staff in attendance:

Ms. Kayla Landeros, Senior Counsel West, Webb, Allbritton & Gentry, P.C.
Ms. Shannon Wetherbee, Executive Assistant, THBD

The agenda for this meeting was posted on the bulletin board of the Temple Health and Bioscience Economic Development District (THBD) facility, Bell County and THBD's website (www.templebioscience.org) in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

The following is a summary of the proceedings of this meeting. It is not intended to be a verbatim translation.

The meeting was opened by Chairman of the Board, Mr. Thomas Baird at 5:00 pm.



I) PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Citizens who desire to address the board on any matter may sign up to do so prior to the meeting. Public comments will be received during this portion of the meeting. Please limit comments to three (3) minutes. No discussion or final action will be taken by the board.

There being no public comments Mr. Thomas Baird closed the Public Comments section at 5:01 pm.

II) REGULAR AGENDA:

A). Budget:

1. Discuss and possibly take action to adopt THBD's budget for the fiscal year, beginning October 1, 2021, and ending September 30, 2022.

Mr. Thomas Baird called for a motion:

Motion by Mr. John Kiella - I move to adopt the budget for the fiscal year 2022 beginning on October 1, 2021, and ending September 30, 2022, as presented.

Second by Mr. Tyler Johnson

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Mr. Thomas Baird – Yes
Mr. Tyler Johnson – Yes
Dr. Robert Cortes – Yes
Mr. Michael Norman – Yes

Mr. Gregg Strasburger – Yes
Dr. Jason Locklin – Yes

2. Discuss and possibly ratify the property tax increase reflected in the budget. This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of \$80,632.00, which is a 6.8% increase from last year's budget.

Mr. Thomas Baird called for a motion:

Motion by Mr. Jason Locklin – I move to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the budget. This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of \$80,632.00 which is a 6.8% increase from last year's budget.



Second by Mr. Gregg Strasburger

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Mr. Thomas Baird – Yes
Mr. Tyler Johnson – Yes
Dr. Robert Cortes – Yes
Mr. Michael Norman – Yes

Mr. Gregg Strasburger – Yes
Dr. Jason Locklin – Yes

B). Tax Rate:

1. Conduct a public hearing to receive comments on the proposed tax rate of \$0.0168 per \$100 valuation for fiscal year 2022 (2021 tax year).

A Public Hearing was opened by Mr. Thomas Baird.

No Public comments were submitted

The Public Hearing was closed by Mr. Thomas Baird.

2. Discuss and possibly set a tax rate of 0.0168 per \$100 valuation, which is effectively a 6.8% increase in the tax rate.

Mr. Thomas Baird called for a motion:

Motion by Mr. Tyler Johnson – I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.0168 per \$100 valuation, which is effectively a 6.8% present increase in the tax rate.

Second by Mr. John Kiella.

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Mr. Thomas Baird – Yes
Mr. Tyler Johnson – Yes
Dr. Robert Cortes – Yes
Mr. Michael Norman – Yes

Mr. Gregg Strasburger – Yes
Dr. Jason Locklin – Yes



C). Discuss and possibly take action to terminate all current tenant leases effective December 31, 2021.

Mr. Thomas Baird called for a motion:

Mr. John Kiella motioned to accept December 31, 2021, as the termination date for all tenant leases. Mr. Michael Norman offered an amendment that tenant Emergent be able to complete their NIH SBIR grant with an ending date of March 31, 2022, and that the December 31st date would be flexible if a tenant should need a small grace period to vacate. Dr. Robert Cortes second the motion.

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Mr. Thomas Baird – Yes
Mr. Gregg Strasburger – Yes
Dr. Robert Cortes – Yes
Mr. Michael Norman – Yes

Mr. John Kiella – Yes
Mr. Tyler Johnson – Yes
Dr. Jason Locklin – Yes

III) EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No Executive Session was conducted.

The Board of Directors reserves the right to discuss any items in executive (closed) session whenever permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act.

There being no further business, Mr. Baird adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:33 p.m.

Transcribed by:
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